



Saint Matthew Parish

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Fr. Joseph Young College Scholarships

Fr. Joseph Young was a Priest of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. He grew up at St. Aloysius Parish and eventually returned to serve as the pastor. He appreciated the education he received and wished to leave a legacy after him. He established a trust to offer scholarships to students wishing to pursue higher education.



St. Matthew Parish is pleased to offer two (2) \$5,250.00 scholarships for any soon-to-be high school graduate belonging to St. Matthew Parish. The scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:

- The applicant must be a member of one of the Churches in St. Matthew Parish (All Saints Church, St. Bonaventure Church, Holy Spirit Church, St. Aloysius Church).
- Currently a high school senior who will be enrolled full-time in college for their freshman year.
- The student will note on the application evidence of involvement in parish life, interests, activities & prior scholastic achievement (must have a 3.0 GPA through end of Junior Year).
 - Applicants must have the endorsement of their Guidance Counselor on their application attesting they are qualified to receive this scholarship.
- Applicant's current high school transcript.
- Submit a 650 word or less essay (It may be the same one submitted to colleges as part of the Common App)
- Preference will be given to a student who has committed to Duquesne University (honoring Fr. Young's initial wishes). However, candidates attending other colleges will be considered based on the above criteria. Proof of enrollment is required. For example: course schedule for the fall semester, official letter from the admissions office, tuition invoice.
- This is a one-time scholarship for first year college students only. It is NOT a renewable scholarship. Each year, the scholarship will be awarded only to newly graduating high school seniors who meet the above criteria.

Copies of the applications can be accessed via the Parish website or picked up at office sites beginning **February 1**. Applications are due by **May 10** (no applications will be accepted after this date). Please return the application to the parish office to the attention of the Parish Business Manager. Scholarship awards will be determined by a Board of Review of parishioners from the Parish. All applicants will be notified by **June 10**.

8.	Please list the school name of the college you will attend:		
9.	Are you a member of St. Matthew Parish?		
10.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.) Name(s) : _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home phone of parents or legal guardians: _____ Work phone: _____		

11. On a separate sheet please submit an essay (650 words or less) (it can be the same essay that was used for the Common App process).

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to St. Matthew Parish.

Name of Guidance Counselor submitting the application: _____

High School: _____

Contact information (email and phone): _____

Signature of Guidance Counselor: _____ **Date:** _____

Checklist for Use by St. Matthew Parish Business Manager

- Application
- Essay
- Guidance Counselor signature
- School Transcript/Report Card