

## **Catholic High School Scholarship Opportunity**

St. Joseph Catholic School  
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students & Parents,

All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students attending a Catholic High School in the Fall of 2021 have the opportunity to apply for a PTO Scholarship. The scholarship(s) will be awarded based on an essay discussing all four topics listed below:

- Application of moral virtues in their daily life
- Reflection on the meaning of their Catholic faith
- Academic achievement
- Volunteerism and community service at St. Joseph Parish/school and in the community at large

The essay should be 3-5 paragraphs in length.

You may write your topics in any order you would like and combine in paragraphs if needed.

**Essays are DUE by 12pm on Friday, April 30, 2021 via email to Allison Jaksa ([allisonzta@yahoo.com](mailto:allisonzta@yahoo.com))**

Please take some time to discuss with each other how the student has contributed to our school, parish, and community with the above criterion in mind.

After submission each essay will be assigned a number so that the Scholarship Selection Committee (including 4 parents and 2 teachers) will not know the identity of the student. While reflection on academic achievement is to be included in the essay, GPA is not factored into determining scholarship winners. Please do not write about or mention family members.

Scholarship winners will be announced during the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade celebration on May 13, 2021.

If have any questions regarding the selection process, please do not hesitate to contact Allison Jaksa via call or text at 913.579.1799 or [allisonzta@yahoo.com](mailto:allisonzta@yahoo.com).

You may also reach out to your teachers if you have questions regarding the actual essay.

Sincerely,

Allison Jaksa  
2021 PTO Scholarship Committee Chairperson