

## **Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Miami Beach, FL**

### **Saint Joseph Catholic Church** **Don and Mary Anne Shula Scholarship 2017**

The St. Joseph Parish Don and Mary Anne Shula Scholarship (SJDMAS) awards \$2,500 annual scholarship for up to 4 years of Catholic High School to a student who meets the qualifications and it's selected by the scholarship committee. The selected student must meet the following qualifications:

1. Attends the eighth grade of a Catholic or Public School, AND
2. Has been accepted at a Catholic High School in one of the Archdiocese of Miami High Schools, AND
3. Is a member of one of these four parishes: St. Francis de Sales, St. Patrick, St. Joseph and St. Mary Magdalene.

#### **Guidelines for selection of applicants:**

The following guidelines will assist Pastors as they offer the enclosed application to their parishioners:

1. The applicant must practice his/her Catholic faith.
2. The applicant's family needs to be a registered member of the parish.
3. The applicant attends the eighth grade at a Catholic School, or if the applicant attends a public school, the applicant attends a Parish Religious Education Program.
4. The applicant actively participates in service or leadership role in the Church or Parish.
5. The applicant must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
6. The applicant must maintain the standards of positive behavior and high moral turpitude.
7. The applicant demonstrates above average effort by participating in voluntary work and extracurricular activities.
8. The applicant does not have a history of disciplinary issues or criminal involvement.
9. Students are invited to apply even if they are in the process of being accepted by a Catholic High School. A letter of acceptance must be included in the scholarship application packet.
10. In the event that there are no applicants entering the ninth grade, applicants entering other years will be considered.
11. All winners will be required to provide proof of registration to the Catholic High School prior to awarding the scholarship. If the student decides to not join the Catholic High school, the award is consider forfeited.

### **Criteria for maintaining scholarship award**

The SJDMS scholarship may be revoked at any time if the student does not comply with the following:

1. Does not maintain an annual GPA of at least 3.0
  - Provide school transcript or grades report after the end of each school year
2. If the student does not participate in Parish activities, voluntary work, and extracurricular activities, the scholarship may be revoked.
  - The student may provide evidence of participation via a letter from the leader of any activity that he/she participated documenting the student's involvement through the school year
3. If the student engages in unethical or unlawful behavior, bullying, or any behavior unbecoming of a member of his/her Parish community.
  - As reported to the SJDMS committee

### **Rules for scholarship award**

1. For Students entering the freshman year, the scholarship consists of 4 annual payments of \$2,500 each, as follows:
  - a. 9<sup>th</sup> grade: \$2,500
  - b. 10<sup>th</sup> Grade: \$2,500
  - c. 11<sup>th</sup> Grade: \$2,500
  - d. 12<sup>th</sup> Grade: \$2,500
2. If the student is not an incoming freshman, the award will be prorated to \$2,500 for the remaining years the student has to complete high school, as follows:
  - a. Entering 10<sup>th</sup> grade: \$2,500 x 3 years = Total \$7,500
  - b. Entering 11<sup>th</sup> Grade: \$2,500 x 2 years: Total \$5,000
  - c. Entering 12<sup>th</sup> Grade: \$2,500 x 1 year = Total \$2,500
3. The annual amount of \$2,500 will be disbursed from the scholarship fund directly to the student's High School office each year.

**All applications are due on at the Saint Joseph Parish Office no later than Friday March 31, 2016.** Please mail or deliver applications to:

Saint Joseph Catholic Church  
8670 Byron Avenue  
Miami Beach, FL 33141  
Attention: Scholarship Committee

Thank you for your interest in the Saint Joseph Church scholarship.

Good luck!

## Saint Joseph Church Scholarship Application Packet Cover sheet

**Please make sure your application is complete, and include ALL of the documents requested. Incomplete applications will not be considered for award.**

- Please write legibly when filling out the application. Applications that are not legible will not be considered for award.
- The short essays should be typed or written in a legible manner.

<b>Documents included in this packet</b>	✓
1. Letter of recommendation from the Pastor or the Parish DRE	
2. Letter of recommendation from the principal or a professor of the school they currently attend.	
3. Parents' Income tax return from the current or previous year (please black out all social security numbers)	
4. Short Essay (typed, no more than 200 words): <i>Why do I want to pursue a High School Catholic Education?</i>	
5. Short Essay (typed, no more than 200 words): <i>What contribution(s) have I provided or can I provide to my Parish community?</i>	

# Saint Joseph Church Scholarship Application

## Applicant Information

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

(City)

State

Zip code

Applicant's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Year entering High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Current G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted at a Catholic High School? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Which Catholic High School you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian Information

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

(City)

State

Zip code

Parent/guardian's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish that the applicant/family is Registered: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please answer the following questions:

1. Which Sacraments have you received (check all that apply)?

\_\_\_\_ Baptism \_\_\_\_ Reconciliation \_\_\_\_ Confirmation Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2. List your participation in any Parish Ministry, group or volunteer, etc.

3. List your participation in any extracurricular activities (sports, employment, non-religious volunteer work, etc.)

4. Have you ever received a disciplinary action? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No

Please answer the following question in no more than 200 words. You may use a separate sheet of paper for each answer. (*Attach separate essay pages*)

1. **Why do I want to pursue a High School Catholic Education?**
2. **What contribution(s) have I provided or can I provide to my Parish community?**

I attest that all of my answers in this application are true.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please attach all of the following items to the application form:**

1. A letter of recommendation from the Pastor or the Parish DRE
2. A letter of recommendation from the principal or a professor of the school they currently attend.
3. Parents' Income tax return from the current or previous year (*please black out all social security numbers*)
4. Two short essays, typed, of no more than two hundred words, written by the student, answering each of the these two questions:
  - Why do I want to pursue a High School Catholic Education?
  - What contribution(s) have I provided or can I provide to my Parish community