

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – ST. THOMAS MORE COUNCIL #7773
PARADISE, CALIFORNIA**

Scholarships are made available and will be awarded to graduating high school seniors that are parishioners of St. Thomas More Parish and who will be attending an accredited institute of higher learning. The scholarship is to assist in the payment of school costs.

1. The number and amount of the scholarships granted each year shall be determined by the Knights of Columbus Council #7773 in developing the Council's yearly operational budget.
 - a. Depending on the amount budgeted by the Council, the scholarships could be in the following amounts: \$1,000; \$500; \$200.
 - b. Based on the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee:
If only one (1) applicant is received or approved, the Committee may at their discretion, award any of the amounts that have been approved by the Council.
If only two (2) applications are received and approved by the Committee, they may at their discretion, award any two of the amounts approved by the Council.
 - c. In the event no applications are received from graduation seniors, then former recipients and other college level students, meeting all the requirements may apply.
 - d. Winner(s) will be notified when the selection(s) is made and the money will be awarded upon proof of acceptance to a school of higher learning.

Acceptable schools of higher learning shall include:

Four Year College or University; Jr. College or Accredited Technical Schools

2. Eligibility:
 - a. Applicants must be a son, daughter, stepchild, grandchild, step grandchild of a registered Parishioner of St. Thomas More Church in good standing.
 - b. Must be an active Catholic.
 - c. Must have a financial need.
 - d. Be of high moral character and integrity.
 - e. Shown abilities of leadership in parish activities.
 - f. Demonstrated scholastic ability.
 - g. Have an accumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Applicants with less than a 3.0 GPA will not be considered.
 - h. Complete and submit application packet no later than May 28, 2023.

Scholarship Application packets will available from Officers of Knights of Columbus Council #7773 , STM Church office, and STM Church Website.

Completed application packets shall be returned no later than May 28, 2023 to:

Knights of Columbus St. Thomas More Council #7773

c/o St. Thomas More Church

767 Elliott Rd.

Paradise, CA 95969

Attn: Scholarship Chairman

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Knights of Columbus St. Thomas More Council #7773

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone () _____ Birth Date: _____ Sex: M ___ F ___

Name and relationship of Parent or Grandparent who is a member of St. Thomas More Church
and or K of C Council #7773 :

School applicant is planning to apply (First Choice):

Alternate Choices:

Planned Major or course of study:

Career Plan: (you may elaborate in your essay that accompanies this application):

Name of High School currently attending:

Please list any leadership roles you have held

Group/Organization	Role	Year(s)	Primary Duties & Responsibilities

Please list any work experience during the past two-four years. Indicate dates of employment, approximate number of hours worked each week.

Position	Date From	Date to	Hours per Week	Total Amount Earned

List all extra curricular activities (school, Church and community) you participated in during the past four years without pay (i.e: church, sport and volunteer work). Attach additional page, if necessary.

Activity	# of Years Participated	Special Award, Honors, and Offices Held

(Attach Official transcript of course grades signed by Guidance Counselor)

Applicant’s Signature

Date

**INFORMATION FOR STUDENT ESSAY
THAT ACCOMPANIES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Applicant shall submit a typed essay not to exceed one page complying with the following:

The general purpose of the essay is twofold:

1. It will give the scholarship committee members information to become acquainted with you as an applicant and student.
2. Demonstrate your writing ability.

In writing your essay, the following outline is recommended:

1. Tell the committee something about your family, who you live with and what they do for a living. Does your family support your efforts to attend a school of higher learning?
2. Tell the committee something about yourself – work experience, school activities, sports, hobbies, or leisure activities.
3. Indicate if you have participated in STM ministries, organized activities or with Knights of Columbus. Did you participate in religious education or active in STM Youth Group?
4. What college, university or trade school do you plan to attend? Have you contacted that school and submitted an application for entrance? How do you plan to support your education? Do you have outside financial help or plan to work part time?
5. Have you applied for an academic scholarship(s) at the school you will be attending?
6. Why did you choose your particular college major or trade, and what are your future goals:
7. Summary