

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Scholarship Award Fund

The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Family has created a Scholarship Award Fund in honor of our Patron Saint, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Mother Seton, as she was known, is credited with creating the Parochial School System, in the United States, by opening the first Catholic School in Maryland. She and her Sisters of Charity were committed to the dignity of each person and access to quality education for all.

This Scholarship Award Fund has been developed with the goal of providing financial assistance and encouragement in obtaining higher education, vocational skills, and honoring military service for our High School Graduating Seniors. Our hope is that this assistance will encourage the active pursuit of an authentic Catholic life and practice during a young person's academic, vocational, or military career. We recognize that the practice of one's Catholic Faith in a university, vocational school, or military setting can be daunting and difficult and we hope that this financial assistance provides the assurance to our young people that they have the full confidence and support of their parish family as they live out a life striving to be a Saint! Our goal is to provide more than mere financial assistance. We will stay in contact with our scholarship recipients to provide spiritual and moral support and encouragement. Ultimately, this scholarship fund serves as an evangelization effort. We want our young Confirmed Catholics, who are living out their Catholic Faith, to have the confidence to go forth to love and serve the Lord.

Scholarships

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Family has funded four Scholarship awards, each in the amount of \$500.00.

Each of these awards will be given to four High School Graduating Seniors, from our St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Family, who will be attending Junior College, University, Vocational School or joining the Military and who meet our eligibility requirements and successfully compete for one award.

Application MUST ARRIVE BY: Friday, May 31, 2024 at 2:00pm

Please direct all correspondence to:

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
12300 Reina Road
Bakersfield, CA 93312

Guidelines

Eligibility Criteria:

- Parents have been registered parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church for, at least, one year prior to the Scholarship Application due date. (May 31, 2023)
- Applicant has been involved in the life of our Parish Family and in our Youth Ministry programs. This includes, but is not limited to, serving as an Altar Server, Lector, Usher, Child Care Provider, Choir, Special Events or attending EDGE, LifeTeen, High School Bible Study.
- Applicant has completed the High School Confirmation Program, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and has been Confirmed.
- Applicant has shown a commitment to serving others through Works of Mercy.
- Applicant must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA or higher.

Application Process:

- Each applicant will fill out the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Scholarship Award application form.
- Each applicant will supply a High School transcript.
- Each applicant will supply two letters of reference.
- Each Applicant will compose an essay responding to the topic: **"My Catholic Faith In The Future"**.

Recipients:

- Each recipient will provide an updated photo and a PR release form.
- Each recipient will attend the "Grad Mass" on June 2, 2024 at the 11:30 am mass and receive special recognition.
- Each recipient will provide regular updates as to their involvement in the Catholic Life of their College, University or Military post. We want to know if you joined a Bible Study, went on a mission trip, served at a homeless shelter, or any other manifestation of your Catholic Faith Life, so we can share it with your Parish Family here at home.

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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Date of birth:

E-mail:

Phone:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

High School attending:

Family Registered Parishioners?

Are you Confirmed?

PARENT INFORMATION

Father's Name:

Mother's Name:

Father's Phone:

Mother's Phone:

E-mail:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

POST SECONDARY PLANS

College or University you plan to attend:

OR - Vocational School you plan to attend:

OR - Will you be serving in the US Armed Forces?

What Branch?

MASS ATTENDANCE

Do you regularly and faithfully attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days?

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON YOUTH MINISTRY & PARISH INVOLVEMENT

Please list the ways you have been involved in the life of our Parish:

Including, but not limited to: EDGE, LifeTeen, Usher, Lector, Altar Server, or any other involvement or special events

COMMITMENT TO SERVICE THROUGH WORKS OF MERCY

Please, briefly, explain how you serve others through the Works of Mercy:

DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1: Neatly and completely fill out this Scholarship Award Application.

Step 2: Include a High School transcript.

Step 3: Include two letters of recommendation.

Step 4: Include your essay responding to the topic, "My Catholic Faith in the Future".

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APPLICANTS SIGNATURE

Signature: