

St. Michael Catholic Church

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2025 Scholarship Application Form

First Name:	MI:	Last Name:
Date of Birth:		Age:
Mailing Address:		
City:	Zip Code: _	
Phone:		
Email Address:		
Are you a member of the St. I	Michael Catholic Chu	urch? Yes / No How long?
High School Graduated Year	r:	
		a diploma (or have already):
College, University, Trade S	chool or Technical So	chool you plan to attend (or are currently attending)
Name:		
Full Address:		

Your Essay Question:

In 800-1000 words, please write an essay on

Who are the people that inspire us? Religious freedom is a fundamental right. However, the truth of religious freedom has needed, and continues to need, witnesses and evangelizers of the Gospels' messages and the Good News of Jesus Christ. Pope Leo XIV, philosophers and statesmen have articulated key principles and ideas. Evangelizers and advocates have stood up for the freedom of others. Saints have evangelized by their ways of life (by words and deeds), suffered persecution and even martyrdom. These evangelizers and witnesses to freedom show us what it means to demonstrate and promote religious freedom and what it means to be truly free.

Share your story of an evangelizer and witness to freedom. Choose one person (or group, such as an organization or community) who is important in the story of evangelization and religious freedom for you. Was there a key moment in the person's or saint's life or the religious organization's mission that bears witness to religious freedom? Did they articulate important concepts for religious freedom, and if so, what arguments did they make? Why are they an example of our need to evangelize and witness to religious freedom? What lessons can or have you learned from their works and how have or will you integrate that into your faith life and, be an evangelizer <u>and</u> witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ and His Gospel by your very words and deeds?

Please return this application form and your essay by <u>July 1, 2025</u> to the Church's Main Office (in Halloran Hall, second floor) or mail it to: St. Michael Church, P.O. Box 199, Calhan, CO 80808.

As a reminder, *use only your initials on your essay* (no names, please).

A cover page or letter on your essay is not needed.

To be completed by the parish's Office Manager and Pastor/Parochial Administrator

Date Received:	Received by:	
Is this applicant a member of the St. Michael Parish	1 Church?	Yes / No
Are they registered with the St. Michael Parish Church?		Yes / No
Is the applicant's essay attached to the application?		Yes / No
Verification completed by:		
Other Remarks:		