

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY VOCATIONS SCHOLARSHIPS
and
BISHOP THOMAS V. DAILY VOCATIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY AND PROCEDURES

1. Each year, the Knights of Columbus offers a limited number of \$2,500 scholarships for tuition, room and board to men in the first four years of theology studying for the Catholic priesthood. Once awarded, the scholarship is renewable each succeeding year up to a maximum of four years upon certification of continuing study/enrollment. The scholarship is not, however, available during any year of pastoral internship.
2. Any applicant with appropriate ecclesiastical approval, having been accepted at a major seminary, and studying for an (arch)diocese or religious institute in the United States, its territories, or Canada, is eligible. The seminary must be approved as eligible for participation in the program.
3. Preference will be given, although not exclusively, to applicants who are members of the Knights of Columbus or whose fathers are members.
4. The applicant must complete the application form, which is also to be signed by the (arch)diocesan or religious institute's vocations director, and the rector/president of the seminary. All communication with the Knights of Columbus is confidential.
5. The Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship is awarded based on financial need. To apply for this scholarship, the applicant must provide a statement detailing (1) his financial obligations (tuition, room and board, books, clothes, loans, etc), (2) the (arch)diocese's or religious institute's obligations (tuition, room and board, etc.), and (3) any monies he receives from the (arch)diocese or religious institute to offset his expenses. Additionally, the applicant must provide a letter from his vocations director regarding eligibility and presence of need.
6. The Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship is awarded based on academic merit. To apply for this scholarship, the applicant must provide a copy of his current and complete academic transcript indicating the cumulative GPA and two (2) letters of recommendation: one from an academic official of the seminary and one from a professor.
7. The grant will be sent directly to the seminary for each semester. Notification must be received of acceptance or continued enrollment.
8. The applicant's council, or the one nearest to his home residence, will be informed that a scholarship has been granted.
9. Additional aid for seminarians is offered by local councils through the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Please contact your local Knights of Columbus council.
10. The applicant's Personal Statement should be attached as part of the application package.
11. A completed application must be received by June 1 to be considered for a scholarship.

Send to: Scholarships@KofC.org, or Department of Scholarships, Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven CT 06510-3326.

For more information phone (203) 752-4000.

APPLICATION



I am applying for:

- Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship (Based on need)
- Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship (Based on merit and academic excellence)

Indicate the scholarship period: From _____ to _____
Month/Year Month/Year

A. STUDENT'S INFORMATION

1. Name _____
First Middle Last

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State/Province Zip/Postal Code

2. Telephone _____

3. Email _____

4. Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ 5. Place of Birth _____
Month Day Year

6. Applicant is a member of _____ Parish in _____ (Arch)diocese

7. Applicant is studying for _____ (Arch)diocese or Religious Institute

8. If a member or son of a member of the Knights of Columbus, indicate:

Applicant's Council Number _____ State _____

Father's Name _____ Council Number _____ State _____

9. Year in Major Seminary during the scholarship period:

- 1st Theology
- 2nd Theology
- 3rd Theology
- 4th Theology

10. Year of Pastoral Internship _____ Anticipated Year of Ordination _____
(Does not qualify for scholarship funding)

11a. Will the student receive educational benefits including tuition, room and board from an (arch)diocese or religious institute?

- yes
- no

b. If yes, list the amount per semester \$ _____

12. List the types and amounts of scholarships, loans and Knights of Columbus R.S.V.P. donations the student anticipates receiving during the scholarship period:

Type	Amount	Approval Received
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

B. STUDENT APPLYING FOR A FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY VOCATIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

13. Include with your application, a statement of financial obligations and a letter from the vocations director. (See no. 5 on page 1)

C. STUDENT APPLYING FOR A BISHOP THOMAS V. DAILY VOCATIONS SCHOLARSHIP

14. Include with your application, a copy of your complete academic transcript and two letters of recommendation. (See no. 6 on page 1)

D. PERSONAL STATEMENT AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

15. Please write an essay that is relevant to your application for scholarship support, and attach it as part of your application package. Topics to consider before you write your essay:

- Your discernment path
- Why you are seeking aid
- Your family background and makeup
- Hardships faced by you and your family
- Service activities, including Knights of Columbus, you and your family have been involved in
- Religious traditions and upbringing within your family
- Other vocations in your family

E. STUDENT CERTIFICATION

16. All Applicants:

a. I certify that all information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

b. I certify that I am a citizen of _____.

Student Signature _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

F. (ARCH)DIOCESE OR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTE CERTIFICATION

17. Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship

As the Vocations Director of the _____ (arch)diocese or religious institute, I hereby certify that _____ has been accepted by his (arch)bishop or major religious superior as a seminarian of this (arch)diocese or religious institute in pursuit of his vocation to the priesthood, and that there is evidence of financial need.

Vocations Director _____

Email: _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

18. Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship

As the Vocations Director of the _____ (arch)diocese or religious institute, I hereby certify that _____ has been accepted by his (arch)bishop or major religious Superior as a seminarian of this (arch)diocese or religious institute in pursuit of his vocation to the priesthood.

Vocations Director _____

Email: _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

G. SEMINARY CERTIFICATION

19. Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship:

As Rector/President of _____, I certify that _____ has been accepted as a theology student pursuing a vocation to the priesthood, and further that there is evidence of financial need.

Rector/President _____

Email: _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

20. Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship:

As Rector/President of _____, I certify that _____ has been accepted as a theology student pursuing a vocation to the priesthood

Rector/President _____

Email: _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year