

Mark Herwaldt Scholarship Fund for Youth Ministry
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Administered by the Diocese of Joliet
Office of Lifelong Lay Formation

APPLICATION DEADLINE APRIL 24, 2026

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Student: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Male or Female (Circle):

Name of high school you (plan to) attend: _____

Catholic Parish you attend: _____

Parish City: _____

Home Phone: _____

Parent Name(s) or Guardian _____

Parent Email Contacts: _____

Student Questions (use a separate sheet if you need more space):

1. Why have you chosen to attend this youth conference?

2. How has your Catholic faith influenced your relationships at home or school?

3. What are your career/vocational goals and how do you see your faith impacting that decision?

Parent(s)/ Guardian Questions

This scholarship is a need-based scholarship, which means that it will be awarded to students who are able to demonstrate that paying for the youth conference will be a financial challenge. To enable us to thoroughly understand your personal and financial circumstances and make an informed decision, please answer the following questions:

1. Please explain why you need financial assistance with your youth attending this conference.

2. How do you see or hope that a Youth Conference can impact your child?

3. Please describe any special information about your child or your family that you think the scholarship committee should know when reviewing this application.

We declare that the information reported on this form, to the best of our knowledge, is true, correct, and complete.

_____	_____
Father (Male Guardian)	Date
_____	_____
Mother (Female Guardian)	Date

In order to be considered for this scholarship, submit this application along with a recommendation letter from your priest, deacon, religious sister, or youth minister from your parish.

Mail original copy of application and above attachments to:

Diocese of Joliet – Lifelong Lay Formation
Department of Catechesis and Evangelization
16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

All materials must be postmarked by April 18th, 2026.

All information contained in this application is kept in the strictest confidence. Only members of the Catechesis and Evangelization Committee will review this application.