

April 6, 2017

Dear Eighth Graders and Parents of Eighth Graders:

We are honored to share information with you about the Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Balhoff Memorial Scholarship established by the Balhoff family. Mr. and Mrs. Balhoff were longtime St. Aloysius parishioners and school parents, and ten of their eleven children attended St. Aloysius School. John T. Balhoff and his wife Catherine "Kaye" Balhoff helped in the early formation of St. Aloysius and strongly believed in the importance of Catholic education. This memorial scholarship will provide two \$750.00 awards, one to an eighth grade boy who will be attending Catholic High School, and one to an eighth grade girl who will be attending St. Joseph's Academy. The following is a list of the criteria established for scholarship consideration:

- Graduate of St. Aloysius with a **1st semester 8th grade average of 90% or better.**
- Is actively involved in one or more extracurricular activities.
- Exhibits strong love of Catholic faith through service and humility.
- Judged by faculty members to have high moral character.
- Submits a 300-word (maximum) essay titled "Why Catholic Education is Important to Me."

Any eighth grader who meets the above criteria is eligible to submit an application. Completed applications, including the essay, must be submitted to Tiffany Meek in the office by

**Friday, April 14, 2017.** An anonymous committee will select the recipients. If you have any questions concerning this scholarship or the application, please contact Tiffany Meek at the SAS Development Office (225)383-3871.

Sincerely,  
*Erin G. Candilora*  
*Principal*

**MR. and MRS. JOHN THOMAS BALHOFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular Activities \_\_\_\_\_

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First Semester 8th Grade Average \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: Please attach a 300-word (maximum) essay titled  
    **“Why Catholic Education Is Important to Me”**