



## **PALM BEACH DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

*an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Women*  
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***The Lord is My Shepherd; There is Nothing I Lack***

January 2025

Dear Parents, Grandparents and/or Guardians:

The Palm Beach Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (PBDCCW) is again pleased to offer the Fr. Clem Hammerschmitt One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) Catholic High School Scholarship Award for the academic year 2025-2026. PBDCCW has been offering scholarships to outstanding young Catholic women for over fifteen years. Three scholarships are awarded each year to one young lady from each of the three Deaneries within the Diocese of Palm Beach who is planning to attend one of the Palm Beach Diocese three Catholic High Schools in the Fall of 2025 as an *incoming freshman*. The Scholarship Awards will be presented to each recipient at the PBDCCW Annual Meeting in May 2025.

The application to apply for this Scholarship is attached to this letter. Please note the Criteria Checklist on the first page. **All fully completed applications must be received no later than April 1, 2025**, so that the Scholarship Committee can review and choose a recipient from each Deanery. Incomplete applications will not be considered. It is difficult to keep track of each applicant's information if parts are submitted separately.

The completed application can be mailed to Myrna Wong, 1480 SE Colchester Circle, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952, or emailed to [pbdccwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:pbdccwscholarship@gmail.com). If emailing your completed application, please include the applicant's full name and the word "Scholarship" in the subject line.

It is never too early to start putting together all the information needed!

Thank you!  
Sincerely,

Myrna Wong  
PBDCCW Scholarship Chairperson

Attachments

**The Fr. Clem Hammerschmitt  
Palm Beach Diocesan Council of Catholic Women  
\$1,000.00 High School Scholarship Award 2025**

**APPLICATION FORM**

**DATE OF APPLICATION** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT'S NAME**

\_\_\_\_\_

First

Middle

Last

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

Zip Code

**EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARISH** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL NOW ATTENDING** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School accepted to and attending in the Fall of 2025** \_\_\_\_\_

**CRITERIA CHECKLIST/ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED**

- Applicant/family must be a registered and active member(s) of a Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Palm Beach. Candidate must be entering her freshman year of High School.
- Applicant must include acceptance letter/confirmation from the Palm Beach Diocesan Catholic High School she will be attending in the fall of 2025.
- A copy of the registration of enrollment will be required when available.
- Applicant must document how she exemplifies leadership qualities in school and parish activities. (see pg. 2- Applicant Profile)
- Applicant must include an essay (approx. 200 words) outlining her values and goals as a Catholic student and how they have influenced her to continue in a Catholic High School
- Applicant must include three independent recommendations, using the form titled **RECOMMENDATIONS** on pg. 4, 5 & 6 of the application. The three independent recommendations shall consist of one from each of the following three categories:
  1. *School Principal, Guidance Counselor, or Teacher*
  2. *Parish Priest or Religious Education Director*
  3. *Friend or Community Leader*

A letter may accompany the independent recommendation, but completion of the form **RECOMMENDATIONS** is required. No more than 3 will be considered.

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**APPLICANT PROFILE (Please Print.)**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

First

Middle

Last

Parent's/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City

Zip Code

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary/Jr. High schools attended \_\_\_\_\_

List complete details of following information, e.g.; amount of time spent description of involvement, responsibilities.

If you require additional space, please use reverse side of this paper.

Hobbies:(Sports, Music, Art, Drama) \_\_\_\_\_

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Parish Involvement (youth groups, ministries, volunteer)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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School Activities and Awards (student government, clubs, and class officer).

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Is there a course of study in which you are interested?

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How did you find out about this scholarship? - Through your Parish, School Guidance Office, or a member of the Council of Catholic Women.

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**Recommendation for:**

**Applicant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish/School** \_\_\_\_\_

**This Applicant has applied for the Palm Beach Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Scholarship Award. Your evaluation and comments will help facilitate the selection process.**

**Please evaluate the applicant as follows, using a point scale of 1-10, with 10 being the highest score.**

**MATURITY** \_\_\_\_\_

**INTEGRITY** \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTITUDE** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEADERSHIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC  
MOTIVATION** \_\_\_\_\_

**OVERALL  
ASSESSMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary comments describing this applicant.**

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**Please state how long you have known this applicant and why she is worthy of this scholarship.**

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**Please print your name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to applicant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone number** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO STUDENT/FAMILY FOR INCLUSION IN APPLICANT'S PACKET**

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**CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE**

**All the information on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by an authorized official, I agree to give proof of the information that I have given on this application. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. Applicant agrees to an interview by the Scholarship committee if necessary.**

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN  
SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**Relate any additional information or unusual circumstances you feel the Selection Committee should consider in the selection process. PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_



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**CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY**

This is to certify that

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and/or her family is/are a registered and active member(s) of this parish.

Reverend

\_\_\_\_\_

Pastor

Church of

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FULLY COMPLETED  
APPLICATIONS  
MUST BE RECEIVED  
NO LATER THAN  
APRIL 1, 2025**

**MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS  
TO:**

**MYRNA WONG  
PBDCCW HS Scholarship Chairman  
1480 SE Colchester Circle  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952  
Or EMAIL  
[pbdccwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:pbdccwscholarship@gmail.com)  
Please indicate Scholarship and  
Applicant's Full Name in the Subject Line**