



## Academic Scholarships

### HELEN & MAC FAUST FAMILY FUND FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION

This scholarship fund was established by Helen & Mac Faust's children in loving memory of their parents' legacy of unwavering faith, hard work ethic, and perseverance. Together, Helen and Mac strongly believed in and supported Catholic education. They worked together to raise their family, making many personal sacrifices so all 11 children could attend and graduate from Blessed Sacrament Grade School and Hill-Murray High School. Despite life's many challenges, they balanced Mac's two full-time jobs for 20+ years with Helen's role as an exemplary homemaker who also served countless hours volunteering in her family's church, schools, and community. In their later years, the two continued to give generously to others. Helen and Mac left a legacy of kindness and forgiveness, respect and humility, tireless work ethic and volunteerism, appreciation for blessings big and small, and an obligation to maximize one's God-given gifts. They prayed their children would share in these values and actively participate in their faith.

This fund is intended to assist deserving students in benefitting from Catholic education that further cultivates these values and inspires them to continue Helen and Mac's legacy throughout their own lives.

#### Application Criteria:

- Preference is given to larger families.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need through TADS and submit their applications for both TADS and this scholarship in a timely manner that allows for prudent consideration.
- New applicants will be required to provide 1-2 recommendation letters from teachers, coaches and/or other adult mentors to qualify.
- Applicants will be required to complete a double-spaced, typed essay that is at least one page but no more than two pages as follows: "Describe how Helen & Mac's legacy resonates with you based on your life experiences thus far and based on the adult you aspire to be."

Amount: Four \$1,000 scholarships awarded annually to four students, one each in grades 9 -12. Renewable for past recipients based on ongoing commitment to their education as demonstrated through various metrics including teacher/coach recommendations, academic results, service, leadership and overall participation in the H-M community.