**RURAL LIFE SCHOLARSHIP**

**Program:** The rural life scholarship is a scholarship worth $500 sponsored by the Rural Life Committee of the Diocese of Green Bay. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial aid for an aspiring student going into the agricultural field. To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must meet the following criteria.

* **Pursuing post-secondary education that results in serving the agricultural community in their chosen profession**
* **Be an Active Member in Their Parish Community**
* **Exhibit Leadership Qualities**
* **Receive Recommendation from Pastor, Pastoral Leader, or Religious Education Coordinator**

**Instructions:** Please completely fill out all four parts of the application by providing the information requested. Make sure to answer the questions fully and to the best of your ability. Once you have completed your application, provide a copy of your application to your pastor, pastoral leader, or religious education coordinator, and ask them to complete the Pastoral Recommendation Form (separate document). Make sure to be respectful and courteous to whomever you ask so they have enough time to complete the form. Upon completion, submit your application and recommendation form in one of the ways listed below. The recommendation form will be accepted as official if attached to the application or sent directly from the recommender with a signature.

**To Submit:** To submit your application, please do one of the following:

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| **E-Mail To:** | **Mail To:** |
| lholt@gbdioc.org | Diocese of Green Bay  Attn. Rural Life  1825 Riverside Dr.  P.O. Box 23825  Green Bay, WI 54305-3825 |

**Selection Criteria:** Selection will be based off of passion for agriculture, involvement within your parish, and leadership. All applicants will be considered upon completion of application and pastoral recommendation form by the application due date.

**Questions:** If you have any questions about how to apply, please contact Lucas Holt or [lholt@gbdioc.org](mailto:lholt@gbdioc.org). Thank you and good luck!

***Submission deadline for applicants: MAY 1st, 2025***

**Part 1: General Information**

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| **Name:** | **Address:** | **City:** |
| **Zip Code:** | **Date of Birth:** | **Phone Number:** |
| **Parent/Guardian:** | **Parish Belonging To:** | **Current GPA:** |

**Part 2: Short Answer**

**Maximum of 250 Words Per Answer**

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| 1. **Where does your passion for agriculture originate?** |
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| 1. **What saint do you relate to? List two reasons why.** |
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| 1. **How do you see yourself serving the agricultural community upon post-secondary graduation?** |
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**Part 3: Involvement**

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| **Section 1 - Church Leadership Participation:**  Examples include server, music, lector, Eucharistic minister, volunteer educator, camps attended, faith conferences, etc. | | |
| **Leadership Roles** | **# Of Years** | **Short description of how participating in these leadership roles impacted your faith** |
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| **Section 2 – Community Service within your Parish/Faith Community** | | |
| **Activity/Event** | **# Of Years** | **What did you do at the Parish Service Event?** |
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**Part 4: Signature**

**Assurances (Please check to indicate completion)**

\_\_\_\_ The application is typed or handwritten (in pen) legibly

\_\_\_\_ I have signed this application

\_\_\_\_ My parent/guardian has signed this application

\_\_\_\_ I have received the completed recommendation form from my parish

**Accuracy of Application:**

I hereby confirm that I have reviewed this application and filled it out honestly to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature: Date:

Parent Signature: Date: