

## Luker-Meyer Scholarship

In honor of Dr. and Mrs. Luker's parents, Norman, Shirley, Merlin, and Lois, this annual scholarship fund of \$25,000.00 will provide up to 50% scholarships for children from our parish. The purpose of the Luker-Meyer Scholarships is to help parish families with children to have the opportunity of a Catholic education.

The scholarship is intended to follow the individual child through their time at St. Joseph School. The scholarship is renewable as long as the child continues to demonstrate satisfactory academic performance and the family qualifies through FACTS and fulfills the requirements outlined below.

Families must be practicing Catholics, active members at Saint Joseph Church and fulfill the need qualification. To demonstrate need, families must first complete the FACTS process. Families must also complete the Tuition Parishioner Discount agreement.

Recipients are asked to join Msgr. Harris, Principal Yarnall, and Dr. and Mrs. Luker for a recipient coffee, juice and donuts on April 3, 2026. immediately following the school Mass.

As the scholarship follows each individual child, families must apply for each child they are seeking the scholarship for. Families with students in kindergarten (5k) through sixth grade may apply. Applications are due March 13, 2026. Applications can be completed online or submitted in hardcopy. Applications submitted in paper should be addressed to the *Luker-Meyer Scholarship, 3512 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205*. If a family is applying for multiple children, one application needs to be completed for each child. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Essay responses and recommendation letter must be submitted with the application. Scholarship decisions will be communicated to recipients by March 31, 2026. For more information, please contact Adrienne Carroll, Business Manager at [adrienne@stjosephcolumbia.org](mailto:adrienne@stjosephcolumbia.org).

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First Name of Parents:\_\_\_\_\_

Last Name of Parents:\_\_\_\_\_

Address Street, City, State,

Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

Contact emails.

Phone numbers-home, cell:\_\_\_\_\_

Number of children and ages:\_\_\_\_\_

Student applying for:\_\_\_\_\_

Grade of student applying for:\_\_\_\_\_

Years at St. Joseph Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope Number:\_\_\_\_\_

Years at St. Joseph School:\_\_\_\_\_

FACTS assistance qualification:\_\_\_\_\_

Financial Assistance from the school for the upcoming academic year:\_\_\_\_\_

Financial Assistance from the parish for the upcoming academic year. (Please include requested amount if assistance is not finalized): \_\_\_\_\_

Mass time your family usually attends:\_\_\_\_\_

Ministry(ies) you are actively involved in. (Please indicate which family member(s) is involved):

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Please complete these questions. If more space is needed to answer the following questions, please attach additional pages.

1. The students in grades K4 through 6 at the school are encouraged to follow Joseph by being Just, Obedient, Service-oriented, an Example to others, Prayerful and Humble. Please elaborate on how you encourage the JOSEPH principles in your home.

2. Pope St. John Paul II said, "To educate in the truth, and for genuine freedom and evangelical love, is at the very heart of the Church's mission. Catholic schools have a critical role to play in leading the younger generation to realize that freedom consists above all in being able to respond to the demands of the truth..."

Please provide your thoughts on how St Joseph School will assist your child in being able to respond to the demands of the truth.

Any additional information, financial or otherwise, you would like to share.

Please provide the following REQUIRED documents with your application:

\*Copy of your student's previous year report card

\*A teacher recommendation letter