

MONSIGNOR JIM KACZOROWSKI LOVING SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

Objectives & Goals: To recognize a deserving young person who exemplifies *loving service* and the character qualities demonstrated by the Queen of Apostles' long-time Pastor, Monsignor Jim Kaczorowski.

Eligibility: Applicant must be an eighth grader the year the application is submitted. The student's family must be a member of Queen of Apostles Parish and the student enrolled at either Queen of Angels School or St. Matthias School, or the student must be a part of the Queen of Apostles' religious education program.

Selection Process: The Selection Committee will include: the Queen of Apostles Pastor (or a person assigned to represent him), the principal of Queen of Angels School (or a person assigned to represent her), the principal of St. Matthias (or a person assigned to represent her), the Director of Religious Education for Queen of Apostles, the Director of Religious Education for St. Matthias, and a member of the Queen of Apostles Church Board. The Committee will review all applications, essays and letters of recommendation. The applicant pool will be narrowed to four finalists. Interviews will be conducted by the Selection Committee or a sub-set of the committee. The results will be announced at a mass in late May or early June each year. Depending on the number of applicants and in the discretion of the Selection Committee, up to four awards will be presented each year.

Criteria: The committee will evaluate students' applications and essays on their demonstration of *loving service*, leadership, empathy and how the applicant feels these values will provide them lifelong benefits. The student should also demonstrate that he/she is a good citizen and role model to his/her peers as well as a contributor to the community. Both the application and essay should be typed. Essays should be written entirely by the student and are limited to 1,000 words.

Deadlines: Completed applications and essays must be received by the Parish Office at 4412 N Western Ave, Chicago, IL 60625 no later than March 30th. Late applications will not be considered. Finalists will be notified by May 1st. Interviews will be scheduled for early May.

Award: The award winner will be presented with a \$500 check. While the award is intended to be used for school tuition and related expenses, families should use the award money as appropriate.

Length of Award Program: Awards will be presented at least through the 2026-27 school year and may continue beyond that time frame depending on the level of contributions to the award fund.

This is not a need-based award or scholarship. It is a value driven award.

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Student Name:	Student's Phone Number:
Birthdate:	
Student E-mail:	
School Attending:	
Parents' Names:	Parents' Phone Number:
Parents' E-mail:	
<p>Contributions to School: Briefly describe involvement in school activities – sports, clubs, student government, mentorships, fundraising events, social planning, etc.</p>	
<p>Contributions to your Community: Briefly describe involvement in youth groups, scouting, community service projects, church volunteer, etc.</p>	
Letters of Recommendation (up to three letters)	
Name:	Relationship:
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Essay: Monsignor Jim is an incredible person in our community. He has led with what he calls *loving service*. What does “*loving service*” mean to you? How have you personally demonstrated *loving service* as well as leadership, empathy and how do you feel these values will provide them lifelong benefits. *Limit to 1,000 words, typed.*