



The Msgr. Paul Baxter Memorial Scholarship Application

Each year the Monsignor Paul Baxter Memorial Foundation awards up to seven (7) scholarships valued at \$1750 each, to college or university bound graduates of our secondary schools.

Only one application per secondary school should be forwarded to the Foundation for consideration.

The Foundation requests that candidates who are nominated by each school be recognized for their perseverance, faith and service to others.

The Msgr. Paul Baxter Memorial Scholarship is primarily an award recognizing academic and personal perseverance. Traditionally, winners of this Scholarship have undergone some challenges over the course of their personal development that they have successfully addressed. It is the intention of the Foundation, in Msgr. Paul Baxter's memory, to recognize graduates who have distinguished themselves by *"trying their best, keeping the faith and being kind to others."*

The Foundation thanks the Awards Committees of the Ottawa Catholic High Schools for helping to direct THE MSGR. PAUL BAXTER SCHOLARSHIP to the appropriate candidate in each high school.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY:

- Each Ottawa Catholic High School may nominate one graduate.
- The nominee must have applied, be accepted to, and attend a full-time college or university program in the year in which the scholarship is awarded.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered by the Msgr. Paul Baxter Memorial Foundation Committee
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the application package is complete

Each school's Awards Coordinator should forward the completed application by mail to:

Msgr. Paul Baxter Memorial Foundation Scholarship
P.O. Box 34096
Nepean, ON K2J 5B1

Postmarked no later than May 7th, 2018

Msgr. Paul Baxter Memorial Foundation

c/o P.O. Box 34096, R.P.O. Strandherd Nepean, ON K2J 5B1



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To the Applicant:

A complete application package consists of the following five items:

1. The application form fully completed and signed.
2. An up to date transcript of your academic record.
3. A reflective essay by you (maximum 500 words, typewritten and double spaced) describing how you are a worthy representative of Msgr. Paul Baxter's legacy to Catholic students. This essay can describe some of the challenges you have overcome as part of your personal development.
4. One letter from a teacher attesting to your academic diligence and perseverance.
5. One letter of recommendation from one of the following: Principal, Vice-Principal or Head of Student Services.

Submit a completed application to the school Awards Coordinator by your school's due date.

Background for the Applicant

Monsignor Paul Baxter (1934 -1998) was ordained June 5th, 1959. Father Baxter spent many years teaching and coaching at St. Pius X and St. Paul High Schools, while serving in various parishes on the weekends. When Father Paul retired from teaching he became pastor at St. Patrick's Parish on Fallowfield, while continuing his dedication and service to Catholic schools.

In 1991, the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association recognized his outstanding contribution to Catholic education by presenting him with the Bishop Redding Award. In 1996, Pope John Paul II elevated Father Paul to Monsignor Paul.

Monsignor Paul Baxter was recognized by his students and his parishioners as an intense teacher, a humble priest and kind person.

Frequently his lessons and his homilies ended with this exhortation: "*Try your best, keep the faith, be kind to one another.*" This is Msgr. Paul Baxter's legacy to thousands of Catholic students in Ottawa. You are a nominee for a scholarship awarded in tribute to this legacy.

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