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Romans 8:31-39

Dear Parents,

Around re-registration time each year we also provide information about how to apply for diocesan financial aid as well as scholarship information. The diocese has decided to use FACTS this year for determining Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA). Attached to this e-mail and on our website are directions and the link to apply for assistance. The process is online only. Saint Charles families have received a great deal of aid in previous years. There is a \$30 fee to apply, but considering awards are usually worth hundreds of dollars, it is worth it. The deadline for the first round is March 15.

There are two scholarships available through the diocese:

The Bishops' Scholarship for Excellence is an opportunity for those students currently in grades 6 and 7. If chosen to receive this award, the scholarship amount is \$1000. There are sixteen \$1000 scholarships available. Students are required to write an essay and obtain a written recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, or parish staff member. Parents need to apply through FACTS. There are also eight \$3000 scholarships for current 10th and 11th graders. Because there is both an essay and a written recommendation involved, it is suggested you begin the process soon to have adequate time and to be fair to whomever you ask to write a recommendation.

M. Thomas Moore Family Scholarship is for students currently in grades 1 through 7. There are four \$500 awards available. Parents must apply through FACTS. The parent/guardian and/or the student is required to write a letter (one-page maximum in length) stating why he/she believes the student fulfills the merit requirements. Merit includes

- Scholastic achievement in accordance with the student's potential
- Involvement of student in school life
- Positive character traits

The scholarship applications are available on our website and are also attached. If you would like us to send an application home to you, please e-mail Mrs. O'Gorman (lorgorman@saintcharlesschool.org) and request one or both.

The deadline for FACTS and both scholarships is March 15. Applications must be sent to school so that I can add the other required information in a timely manner.

Please consider applying for DTA and for the scholarships. Students from Saint Charles have been very fortunate in past years.

If you have any questions, please let me know and I will gladly guide you through the process.

Sincerely,

Eileen M. Updegrave, Principal