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Dear High School Seniors—

It is my pleasure to announce that we are offering the **Theresa Burns Memorial Scholarship** for a senior in high school that is a confirmed, active member of St. Gabriel Parish, and enrolled for the 2026-2027 year in a two year vocational school, two year college or four year college. The scholarship is funded through a memorial in memory of Theresa Burns who passed onto eternal life in November of 2017. Theresa and her husband Bob have been longtime members of St. Gabriel and Theresa's wish was that the memorial be used in areas of need in the Faith Formation Program. We wish to acknowledge, support, and commend a student who has been an active member in the parish through his/her service and faith life.

Attached you will find a description of the scholarship, as well as an application. I strongly encourage you to apply for this scholarship if all criteria are met. The deadline for submission is May 15, 2026. Completed admissions may be submitted to the Faith Formation Office and addressed to my attention.

A committee will review the applications and the recipient of the scholarship will be notified by June 5, 2026.

Yours in Christ,



Tina Peirick
Coordinator, Faith Formation Center
St. Gabriel Parish, Neenah

Inspiring lifelong Catholic disciples, rooted in Word, Sacrament, Community and Service

‘Theresa Burns Memorial Scholarship’
St. Gabriel the Archangel High School Scholarship

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ **Date of Confirmation:** ____/____/____

Confirmation Name: _____

Number of years you have been a member of St. Gabriel Parish: _____

High School Attending: _____ **City:** _____

School attending in Fall of 2026: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Intended area of study: _____

Mother’s Name: _____ **Father’s Name:** _____

References who have witnessed you living your faith:

1) **Name:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

2) **Name:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

Essay Question: (please staple this to the application. Be thorough and give specific examples.)

Explain why your Catholic faith is important to you. Give examples of how you have, and currently are, living the faith and spreading the Good News of Jesus. How do you plan to continue to grow in your Catholic faith and deepen your relationship with Christ as you attend post-secondary school?

**“Theresa Burns Memorial Scholarship”
St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Scholarship**

This \$500.00 scholarship has been funded by the Bob Burns family in loving memory of his wife Theresa Burns.

St. Gabriel would like to acknowledge, support, and commend a student who has been an active member of St. Gabriel Parish through his/her discipleship, service and faith life. The goal is to encourage the student to continue living a life of discipleship in a post-secondary educational institution starting in the Fall of 2026.

Application Requirements:

1. A registered, active, confirmed member of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish in Neenah, Wisconsin. Registration may be through parents.
2. Currently a High School Senior
3. Attending a Post-Secondary School in the Fall of 2026
4. Application with essay submitted to Tina Peirick by May 15, 2026
St. Gabriel Faith Formation Office
Attn: Tina Peirick
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5. An essay before the monies are disbursed, after the first semester (trimester) of post-secondary education addressing how the student continued living a life of discipleship at the post-secondary institution.