

Saint Vasilius Greek Orthodox Church is blessed to offer a strong scholarship program made possible by the generosity of our parishioners and friends. As faithful stewards of these gifts, the parish must ensure that scholarships reflect Church practice and honor donor intent.

Scholarship recipients are therefore expected to be Greek Orthodox Christians, knowledgeable in the Faith, and actively involved in the life of the Church, with at least one parent sacramentally and financially in good standing with the parish for the previous five consecutive years. These expectations have always been part of the program.

To clarify what “active involvement” means, the Parish Council reviewed and updated the scholarship criteria after consultation with parish clergy and ministry leaders. These approved updates will be phased in over the coming years to help students and families grow more deeply in their Orthodox faith.

Moving forward, all applicants must meet with either Fr. Chris or Fr. Yanni and complete annual volunteer service that support parish life (20 hours for high school students, 15 hours for college students). Applicants seeking multiple scholarships must also have served in a recognized parish ministry during their high school years or be graduates of Church School.

We believe these guidelines will strengthen our scholarship program and enrich the spiritual life of our young adults at St. Vasilius. Additional information will be available on our parish website when scholarships are announced.