**The John and Helen Apostle Memorial Scholarship Award**

John and Helen Apostle were known as a hardworking couple and for always helping our Assumption Parish with their time, talent and treasure. Their wish was to help the young adults of our Parish with financial assistance to fulfill their dreams of higher education and training. With this scholarship, the Apostle Trustees, The Apostle Scholarship Committee and The Assumption Parish Council hope to honor their wish and memory by helping students make their dreams of going to college, vocational/trade, or graduate school come true.

The John and Helen Apostle Memorial Scholarship Award will be awarded to young adults of the Assumption Parish who demonstrate financial need but also show compassion and commitment to humanitarian causes in their local community and beyond.

The primary criterion for the award is a student’s financial need and volunteer experience. The scholarships will be awarded on a single year basis.

**Eligibility\***

▪Must be currently enrolled as a high school senior student or an institution of higher learning (or plan on attending an institution of higher learning or vocational training in the Fall of 2023).
▪Must demonstrate active involvement with Greek Orthodox Parish life and the community. Please include your participation in Greek Orthodox youth groups, if any, or other ministries of the Church.

▪Applicant or applicant’s immediate family must be a stewardship member in good standing of the Assumption Church for the current calendar year and the immediate prior calendar year
▪Funds must be used toward a College/University, Vocational/Trade School or Graduate School.

\**If you do not meet the eligibility requirements listed above but believe you should be considered for a scholarship, please provide a written explanation for consideration by the Scholarship Committee*

The deadline for submitting a scholarship application **is July 31, 2023**. You can email your application along with all required components. Please review the application questions closely and be sure to include all required information. An application that does not contain all of the required information is considered incomplete and could therefore not be considered by the Scholarship Committee. This application and related material must be electronically submitted or mailed with a postmark no later than July 31, 2023.

**Email your application (with all attachments) to:** apostlescholarship@assumptionlb.org

 **Mail to:**

**Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church**

**Attn: John and Helen Apostle Memorial Scholarship Committee**

**5761 East Colorado Street**

**Long Beach, CA 90914**

*Submission of the following materials and this application are in hopes of receiving the John and Helen Apostle Scholarship*

**Application - The John and Helen Apostle Memorial Scholarship Award**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
High School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you are currently enrolled in college, vocational school or graduate school, please provide the name of the institution and your year of study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the information under the option related to your plans for the Fall of 2023:

**Option 1**

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of Study (check one): Two-Year\_\_\_\_\_ Four-Year\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA to-date (if applicable)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Option 2**

Trade or Vocational School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of Study (circle one): Two-Year Four-Year

Cumulative GPA to-date (if applicable)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Option #3**

Graduate School:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major course of study\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of Study\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA to-date (if applicable)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**In addition to the information included above, please provide responses to each of the questions listed below. Your essay should be included as an attachment to this application. Your responses to questions 2 through 6 can be provided in the space provided below each question or you can include as a separate document.**

1. Write an essay not to exceed 500 words (include as an attachment to this application) that reveals how the scholarship funds will help in your personal quest for higher learning. Include any financial hardships, family support considerations, and the number of siblings in your family in college or planning to attend college. Please cite personal experiences that illustrate examples of humanitarian or philanthropic efforts in social settings for community service. Describe your field of study and why you have chosen this as your area of focus. Include ideologies or people who have influenced your decision to pursue education and vocational aspirations. Also describe your involvement and participation within the youth ministry programs of our Orthodox Church and their effect on your life.
2. Separate from the essay, please include two (2) reasons why this scholarship will assist you in furthering your education.
3. Estimate your annual education costs for academic period beginning Fall 2023. This cost should include tuition, housing and other related educational costs such as books and supplies. If you are the recipient of other scholarships or tuition assistance that will reduce your out-of-pocket educational costs, please indicate the amount of such financial assistance. Also, tell us if you have received or intend to apply for student loans to pay for the cost of education and how much in student loans you believe you will obtain?
4. Are you receiving support from Parents/Guardians to support your education costs, and if so, how much and for how long?

Also, please indicate gross **family** income level for the most recent completed fiscal year by checking one of the choices:

\_\_\_\_ Under $125,000

 \_\_\_\_ $125,000 - $250,000

 \_\_\_\_ Over $250,000

1. Please include a list of your volunteer/humanitarian experiences that have allowed you to help others and the impact it had on the individual and on yourself.
2. Provide two letters of recommendation: One from a member of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church Community, and one from a person that can validate your desire to pursue additional education. Please include the letters of recommendation with your application.

**This application and related material should be electronically submitted or mailed with a postmark no later than July 15, 2023.**

By signing below, I hereby certify and affirm that the information contained in this application is accurate and complete. I also give permission for my name and image to be used in Assumption Parish publications or Assumption Parish website if I am chosen for **The John and Helen Apostle Memorial Scholarship**. The Apostle Scholarship Committee reserves the right to request additional information from applicant to clarify provided responses.

Student Printed Name:

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Student Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name:

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Parent/Guardian Signature:

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_