The Kathy Davis Memorial Scholarship Program is offered by The Church of the Nativity to promote and support Catholic elementary education opportunities. The scholarship program is funded through donations to the Kathy Davis Memorial Fund, which is administered by The Church of the Nativity. An award of a one-year full tuition to attend Nativity Catholic School, 2024-2025 school year, will be given to one student.

Applicants must be currently enrolled at Nativity Catholic School at the time of application. The scholarship is open to Nativity Catholic School students entering grades fourth through eighth as of September 2024.

A Scholarship Selection Committee with representation from the parish and school administration will review all entries and select one student to receive the award. Emphasis will be placed on need, the student and parent essays, and school performance. Scholarship assistance is awarded without regard to race, color, gender, national origin or creed.

This scholarship program is named for Kathy Davis who was a longtime parishioner of The Church of the Nativity. Mrs. Davis was devoted to sharing the gifts that God had graced upon her and her family through her tireless work with community service projects. She helped to better the lives of Nativity Parish's underprivileged and many others in her native country of Ireland. In honor of her legacy, the recipient of this scholarship must participate in twenty hours of community service specifically written in the essay during the school year. The recipient and his or her family will have the services of a volunteer mentor appointed by Nativity Church to assist with planning and completing the community service project. By May 7, 2025, the recipient must submit a one to two-page summary on the community service project and what the experience meant to him or her. This summary will be shared with the entire Nativity Catholic School and Church communities in promoting the scholarship program.

To be considered for the scholarship, the following materials must be **hand-delivered or postmarked on or before March 27, 2024**:

- Student Application Form
- Student Essay Part I and II
- Parent Essay on "Why Catholic Education Is Important for My Child"
- Official School Transcript
- Teacher Recommendation Form (or letter)
- Completed FACTS Tuition Assistance Application (<u>https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx</u>)

Please note: Students interested in applying for this program are welcome to contact the Nativity Catholic School Development Office for information on the application process. The Development Office is allowed to answer questions and make recommendations but is not permitted to create, enhance, or edit any portion of the student's application. For assistance, contact the school office at (703)455-2300.

Mail or hand-deliver the application to:

Kathy Davis Memorial Scholarship Program

Attn: Nativity Catholic School Development Office Nativity Catholic School 6398 Nativity Lane Burke, Virginia 22015

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this application and submit it to The Nativity School Development Office before the deadline March 27, 2024

Last Name:	First Name:		
Grade (as of August 2024):	Homeroom Teacher:		
Date of Birth:			
Permanent Home Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Home Phone Number:			
Father's (Guardian) Name:			
Occupation:			
Mother's (Guardian) Name:			
Occupation:			
Siblings' Name(s) and Age(s):	Grade (s):		

A press release announcing the Scholarship recipient will be submitted to regional, as well as local bulletins and newspapers. By applying for the Kathy Davis Memorial Scholarship, you are giving your consent to have your name included in a press release.

STUDENT ESSAY

Write a one to two-page essay (typewritten, double spaced) on the following topic:

PART I: Why My Family Is Important to Me

PART II: Write one to two paragraphs (typewritten and double spaced) about a community service project that interests you. You are allowed to write about a project you have worked on or something that you would like to work on even if it isn't possible at this time.

PARENT ESSAY

Write a one-page essay (typewritten, double spaced) on the following topic:

"WHY A CATHOLIC EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT FOR MY CHILD"

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

I recommend that ______, be awarded a Kathy Davis Memorial (Student Name) Scholarship for the following reasons: (Please include in your comments how the nominee

demonstrates an appreciation for his/her Catholic education, integrity and if pertinent, a

commitment to community service.)

PLEASE ATTACH STUDENT'S OFFICIAL ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT (through current year).

Signature: Date/	
Position: Telephone Number	