

# **Bishop Murphy Award**

## **2019 Nominations**



Diocese of Saginaw

Dear friends,

The opportunity to celebrate the good works of people within the Diocese of Saginaw has become one of the highlights in our local church. As in years past, we will honor an individual/individuals whose commitment to the gospel has furthered the evangelizing mission of the Church, through the diocesan Bishop Murphy Award. This award recognizes the lifetime achievement of those who bear witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through word and deed.

In an effort to avoid the busyness of the Advent and Christmas seasons, the deadline for the *Bishop Murphy Award* nominations is December 7, 2018. We hope that you will take the time to prayerfully consider that particular individual in your school or parish community who demonstrates an ongoing spirit of love and commitment to the Church.

Perhaps the person you nominated in your school or parish has yet to be selected but continues to exemplify the traits of a Christian disciple. We welcome the "re-nomination" of previously nominated individuals.

Many of the previous recipients of the award have been selected due to the effort put forth by the person(s) submitting the nomination. Letters of support and examples of faith in action provide the review committee with greater insight into the individual being nominated.

All nominations, including re-nominations, must be submitted by the December 7 deadline.

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Bishop Murphy Award Committee Chair

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<sup>\*</sup> Current Catholic School and parish employees are not eligible for this award.



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#### Nomination Form



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The Bishop Murphy Award is presented annually to a person/persons who, through the example of his or her life as a disciple of Jesus Christ, continually fulfills the mandate of the Gospel through word and deed. The award has often honored a person whose passionate lifetime commitment to the Gospel has furthered the evangelizing mission of the Church through Catholic education and/or service to the poor. Nominations must be supported and signed by the pastor or pastoral administrator.

Nominee:	
Phone:	_Email:
Parish:	
Pastor / Pastoral Administrator signature:	
Contact for nomination:	
Phone:	_Email:

Please send a detailed narrative and letters of support along with the completed nomination form. Send to:

Bishop Murphy Award Committee c/o: Terri Grierson 5800 Weiss St.; Saginaw, MI 48603 [tgrierson@dioceseofsaginaw.org; (989) 797-6650; FAX: (989) 797-6643]

Nomination deadline is December 7, 2018
The winner(s) of the Bishop Murphy Award will be announced in January 2019



### **Bishop Murphy Award**

#### Criteria



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#### **Past Recipients**

2018 Sister Elaine Raymond, MSSp. Saginaw Charles Wargel

2017 Patricia Murdock *Harbor Beach* Leona Sullivan *Reese* 

Saginaw

2016
Olympia DeAgostino
Saginaw
Marie Wrocklage
Maple Grove

2015 Oscar Mendoza Saginaw

2014
Katherine Maurer
Vassar
Mark Morand
Bay City

2013 Kenn Bueche Chesaning Sister Marietta Fritz, SNDdeN, Saginaw

2012 Edna Kujawski *Gagetown* 

2011 Sr. Maureen Donovan, SC Bay City

2010 Dr. Donald Campbell Essexville

2009 Archbishop Robert J. Carlson

2008 Sr. Corinne Weiss, SJ Saginaw

2007 Stanley Krajkowski Saginaw Please consider the following criteria when preparing the description of your candidate for the Bishop Murphy Award:

## **Lifetime of Service**

- Examples of witness and service extend over a significant part of the nominee's life
- Nominee demonstrates an ongoing spirit of love and commitment to the Church

## **Gospel Witness**

- Nominee's lifestyle bears witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- Nominee's lifestyle responds to the call of the Gospel to share the "Good News"

### **Service Contribution**

- Nominee has tirelessly and passionately made a substantial contribution to the parish, school and/ or the community
- Nominee has served with humility and personal sacrifice in contributing to the ministries of the Church

**Nomination deadline is December 7, 2018**; forms may be mailed, emailed or sent via fax. All nominations submitted by the December 7 deadline will be considered, with the exception of current Catholic school and parish employees, who are not eligible for this award.

The review committee is comprised of representatives from parishes located across the Diocese of Saginaw. Recommendations will be presented to the Office of the Bishop for final approval and the winner(s) of the <u>Bishop Murphy Award</u> will be announced in January 2019.

If you have questions, please contact the committee chair, Terri Grierson: (989)797-6650 or tgrierson @dioceseofsaginaw.org