



# Bishop Murphy Award

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## 2018 NOMINATIONS



Dear friends,

One of the biggest highlights of the annual Bishop's Ball is the presentation of the *Bishop Murphy Award* to our brothers and sisters in faith who bear witness to the Gospel through a lifetime of words and actions.

Nominations for the award are being accepted now through Friday, Dec. 1, 2017. We hope that you will take time to consider nominating a person from your parish or school community who demonstrates the spirit of love and commitment in serving the Church and others.

The Bishop Murphy Award recipient will be honored at the Bishop's Ball on April 27, 2018 at the Horizons Conference Center in Saginaw.

Please know that thoroughness in the nominations is helpful to the review committee. You are welcome to include letters of recommendation/support and examples of "faith in action" in submissions.

Individuals who have been nominated in the past may be considered again, however, *a new nomination must be submitted for review.*

All nominations, including re-nominations, **must be submitted by the Dec. 1 deadline.**

Thank you for helping us to recognize some of the truly outstanding people in our faith communities.

Terri Grierson  
Bishop Murphy Award Committee Chair

*\* Current Catholic School and parish employees are not eligible for this award.*



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## NOMINATION FORM



*The Bishop Murphy Award, named for the Diocese of Saginaw's first bishop Most Rev. William Francis Murphy, is presented annually to a person 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 honors a person whose passionate lifetime commitment to the Gospel furthers the evangelizing mission of the Church through Catholic education and/or service to the poor.*

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor / Pastoral Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact for nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send a detailed narrative and letters of support along with the completed nomination form 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 Friday, Dec. 1, 2017*

*The winner of the Bishop Murphy Award will be announced in January 2018*



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## CRITERIA



### Past Recipients

#### 2017

Leona Jones  
Reese  
Pat Murdock  
Bad Axe

#### 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 Friday, Dec. 1, 2017; forms may be mailed, emailed or sent via fax. All nominations submitted by the Dec. 1 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 Bishop Cistone for final approval and the recipient of the Bishop Murphy Award will be announced in January 2018.*

***The award will be presented at the Bishop's Ball on April 27, 2018.***

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