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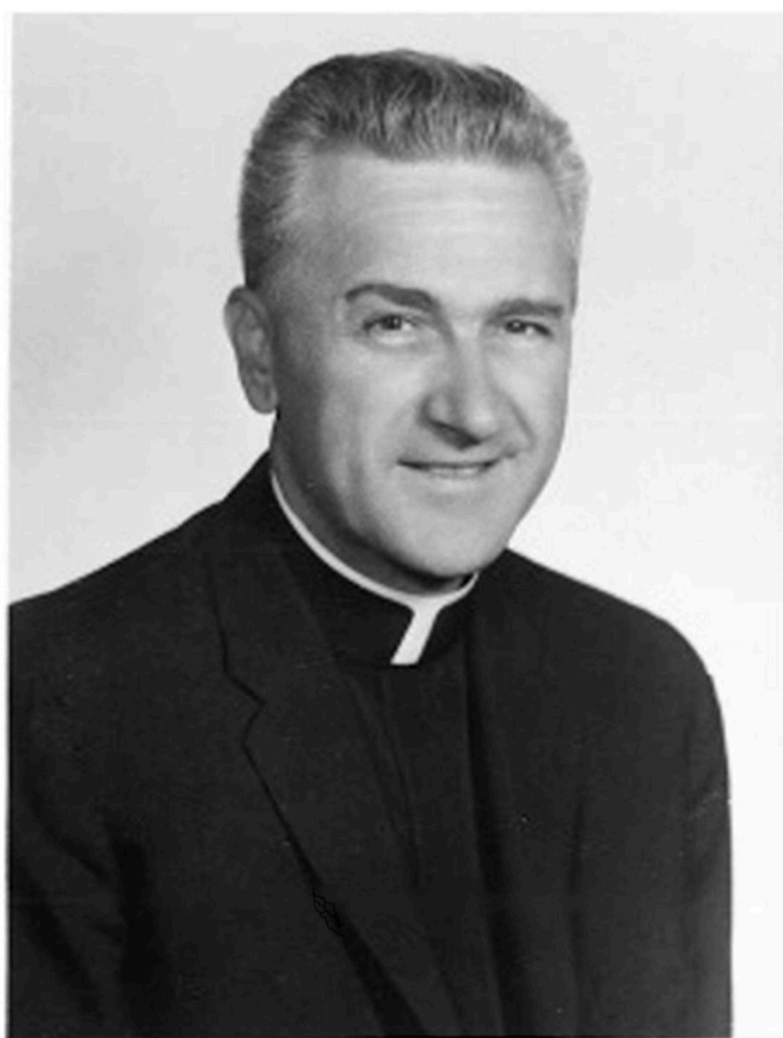


# **MSGR. BROUWERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST**

*Catholic Middle School Students are invited to submit a 250-400 word (maximum) essay to compete for one of three \$500 scholarships.*

*Essay Topic: How do I respond to the command at the end of Mass "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord" in my daily life?*

*Please write your name, grade, name of school and city on your essay.*



**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY:  
10/01/2024@ 6:00 PM**

*Submit Entries By*

*Email:  
director@laymissionhelpers.org*

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*Mail:  
6102 S. Victoria Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90043*

**SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE  
AWARDED AT THE MCA MASS  
AT THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR  
LADY OF THE ANGELS ON  
10/16/2024  
AT 10:00 AM**

Msgr. Anthony Brouwers was born in Lincoln Heights to Dutch immigrant parents in 1912. He attended local Catholic elementary and high school and then entered the Archdiocesan seminary. He was ordained priest in 1938 and served as associate pastor and pastor at various parishes as well as at the archdiocesan marriage tribunal and as the director of the Mission Office. In 1954, Msgr. Brouwers traveled to Lagos, Nigeria for the Marian Congress. After the Congress, he traveled throughout Africa and met with sisters, priests, and bishops who were burdened with tasks they were neither trained, nor in many cases, qualified to do – everything from caring for the sick, to publishing newspapers, laying bricks, pulling teeth, and repairing diesel engines.

What Msgr. Brouwers was told throughout his travels was “We need help!” Returning to Los Angeles, in 1955 he founded the Lay Mission-Helpers Association (LMH) to begin to meet these needs. LMH became the first program in the United States to send lay Catholic professionals to serve in foreign missions. In 1959, Msgr. Brouwers founded Mission Doctors Association (MDA) to send Catholic doctors and their families to serve internationally. Since its foundation, LMH has sent over 750 men, women, married couples, and families to serve in 37 countries.

Msgr. Brouwers died in 1964, but his vision continues to live through the service of LMH missionaries. After attending our four-month residential Formation Program in Los Angeles, our missionaries serve three-year terms which are renewable. We match the skills of our missionaries with the needs in our partner dioceses in Africa, Oceania, Central America, and South America. Formation and service in mission are at no cost to our missionaries. To support them, we rely on the kindness and generosity of others. We serve in education, healthcare, administration, accounting, IT, technical and special skills trades and other areas. For more information, visit [www.laymissionhelpers.org](http://www.laymissionhelpers.org)