



From a spark to a flame!

2020 Fall Education Grants

Catholic education is inclusive of all types of religious education and ministry formation and is offered to the faithful in many ways. Recognizing the ongoing needs in this area, the Catholic Foundation awards grants in support of religious education in Catholic schools and parishes, lay ministry formation and training, and support of ever-changing parish and school technology needs. Many of the grants awarded in this cycle are in response to the current situation faced by parishes and schools due to COVID-19. Grant funds will help these organizations continue to instruct and catechize the faithful in northwest Pennsylvania.

Eight Education Grant Awards Totaling \$38,794

Venango Regions Catholic School (Oil City, PA): \$10,000 to assist with the purchase of Chromebooks for students in Kindergarten through grade 12.

DuBois Central Catholic School (DuBois, PA): \$6,200 to assist with the purchase of laptops for students in 4th and 5th grade.

Immaculate Conception Parish (Clarion, PA): \$3,500 to assist with the purchase of equipment to enable the parish to livestream/record Masses and parish events.

Our Lady of the Lake Parish (Edinboro, PA): \$2,119 to assist with the purchase of Zoom subscriptions to enable religious education catechists to meet virtually with students.

Saint Leo Magnus Parish (Ridgway, PA): \$6,000 to upgrade technology in religious education classrooms.

Saint Michael Parish (Greenville, PA): \$6,675 to upgrade church office and meeting room technology to provide communication and educational support to those on-site or meeting remotely.

Saint Francis Xavier Parish (McKean, PA): \$1,800 to support the purchase of faith formation materials including FORMED, an online subscription service.

Saint Mark the Evangelist Parish (Erie, PA): \$2,500 to support faith formation initiatives with upgraded technology including the purchase of FORMED, an online subscription service.



Be the spark! Education grants are made possible through the Education Endowment of the Catholic Foundation. Donations in any amount designated for the *Education Endowment* increase our capacity to award grants for impactful Catholic education and faith formation needs throughout northwest Pennsylvania today and for future generations.

Spirit led. Faith empowered.



How to apply? The Education grant 2021 spring cycle will open January 25, 2021. Grant guidelines and criteria can be found at www.MyCatholicFoundation.org under the 'Grants' tab. Departments of the Diocese of Erie, parishes and Catholic schools in the diocese are invited to submit an application.

About the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania

The Catholic Foundation works with donors to establish endowments – permanent charitable funds – to create long-lasting support for the causes they care about. It is the only community foundation in the 13-county Erie-based diocese that is guided by Catholic values and investment principles and governed by Catholic lay men and women from throughout the diocese.

More information about the Catholic Foundation may be found at www.MyCatholicFoundation.org.