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Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Green Bay Awards \$4.6 Million in Grants and Distributions

GREEN BAY, Wis. (June 10, 2019) – The Catholic Foundation has made available \$4.6 million in distributions supporting Catholic ministries and causes in the areas of education, service, and ministry. Through more than 130 grants, individuals and organizations are supported in inspiring our youth, forming church leaders, and meeting the needs of those struggling in our communities.

For more than 20 years, the Catholic Foundation has been impacting lives within the 16 counties of northeastern Wisconsin which make up the Diocese of Green Bay. During this time, the Foundation has distributed nearly \$40 million to support Catholic schools, parishes and other Catholic organizations.

"Each year through grants and distributions, the Catholic Foundation is able to help many people across northeastern Wisconsin. We are pleased to support young people discover Jesus by providing tuition assistance to kids in Catholic schools. We also care for those in need by supporting the social services of Catholic Charities and organizations that aim to end homelessness. Through our grant making process the Foundation supports our parishes, Catholic schools and other Catholic organizations that help people discover Jesus," shared Josh Diedrich, Executive Director of the Catholic Foundation. "These grants and distributions are only made possible through the generosity of many people. For this I am grateful."

Grants and distributions are awarded based on an application process. The next opportunity to submit applications will be in October 2019. For more information about the grants and distributions, please visit www.catholicfoundationgb.org or call 920-272-8181.

Following are examples of grants recently funded by the Catholic Foundation in the Manitowoc area:

March for Life Trip – Roncalli High School received a \$1,000 Advancing the Mission Leadership Development Endowment grant from the Catholic Foundation to help provide financial assistance for students to attend the March for Life who otherwise would not be able to do so. For the last six years, Roncalli has been sending students to participate in this pilgrimage to pray for an end to abortion and to have a greater respect for all human life. The students who were able to attend took their faith and put it into action by standing up and praying for a life-giving cause. This is Catholic education at work when high school students wish to be a vocal voice for good.

Zimmer Forum – Silver Lake College of the Holy Family received a \$500 Advancing the Mission Lifelong Catechesis grant from the Catholic Foundation to fund and host the Zimmer Forum, which focuses on presentations and discussions that spark faith conversations and further reflection as well as deepen knowledge and understanding of their Catholic and Franciscan heritage. Held the second Tuesday of each month from September through December and February through April, the sessions are open to the public as well as to the faculty, staff, and students of Silver Lake College of the Holy Family.

Grants through the Catholic Foundation help foster households and communities of discipleship through the mission and ministry of the Catholic Church. To learn more about how you can leave legacy to impact your community, call 920-272-8181 or visit www.catholicfoundationgb.org today.

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About the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Green Bay: For more than 20 years, the Catholic Foundation has been encouraging financial generosity through faith-based giving. As a full service foundation, the Catholic Foundation focuses on Catholic parishes, schools, and ministries by helping families with all their giving needs. Through the generous support of many people, nearly \$40 million has been distributed to impact thousands of people's lives throughout northeastern Wisconsin. Gifts are used to help people discover, follow, worship, and share Jesus. To learn more, please visit our website at www.catholicfoundationgb.org, call 920-272-8181 or email catholicfoundation@gbdioc.org.

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