

# Hilary and Elizabeth Mohr Catechist Formation Fund

Established 2009

The Hilary and Elizabeth Mohr Catechist Formation Fund was established to benefit and enhance the quality of religious education in St. Raphael Parish and in the entire Diocese of New Ulm. To that end they have established four different areas of education this fund would provide financial support for formation of catechists. They include the following:

**Area 1** – Catechist Faith Formation Days or comparable special days offered to broaden faith experiences.

**Area 2** – Scholarships for workshops and/or seminars related to teaching religious education.

**Area 3** – Online college courses – University of Dayton or other colleges for faith formation.

**Area 4** – Catholic college scholarship toward a degree in church ministry/leadership.

These funds (**\$1,000 in each of the four formation areas**) are available to residents of the Diocese of New Ulm who are practicing Catholics with a special and separate appropriation for members of St. Raphael's Parish in Springfield, MN.

Normally, application deadlines for pre-approval and/or post-approval are March 15 and September 15. After these deadlines, applications will be reviewed, scholarships awarded, and notification letters sent by April 15 and October 15. **This first year of 2009/2010 application deadlines will be January 15 and March 15, 2010. Notification letters will be sent within 30 days of these two deadlines.** If pre or post approval has been granted, payment of funds will be made upon completion of the course or workshop and submission of the following: (1) verification of attendance in the course or activity, (2) a receipt verifying payment, (3) a ministry impact (100-200 word) statement, (4) a completed registration form. This information must be submitted to the Catechist Formation Scholarship Committee of the Diocese of New Ulm or St. Raphael Parish Scholarship Committee in Springfield. If pre-approval has been granted, payment for any of the four areas must be applied for within 60 days after the actual class or workshop is completed. After receiving the approved course completion forms, the payment check would be automatically issued within 30 days. **Pre-approval is recommended for any scholarship in any of the four areas, but is required for Area 4 - Catholic College Scholarships.** Please note however, that applying for payment without pre-approval after the class does not imply that the class or workshop will necessarily be funded.

To apply for a scholarship to minister in the Diocese of New Ulm, this application should be submitted to the following:

Attn: Catechist Formation Scholarship Committee  
Office of Religious Education  
Diocese of New Ulm  
1400 6<sup>th</sup> Street North  
New Ulm, MN 56073-2099

To apply for a scholarship to minister at St. Raphael Parish in Springfield, this application should be submitted to the following:

Church of St. Raphael  
Scholarship Committee  
112 W Van Dusen  
Springfield, MN 56087-1396

\* Please complete Scholarship Application on other side of this document. \*

# Scholarship Application Form\*

**For Service At:** Check one  **Diocese of New Ulm**  **St. Raphael's Parish, Springfield**

**This application is for:** Check one  **Pre-Approval**  **or Payment**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish or School at which you are presently ministering:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Present status of Ministry:** Check one  **Full-time**  **Part-time**  
Check one  **Volunteer**  **Salaried**

**Level of Education attained:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name of course, workshop or in-service for which you are applying:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of course:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Description of course, workshop:** \_\_\_\_\_

**How much are you applying for?** \_\_\_\_\_

**For which Area of the Mohr Scholarship will this apply?**

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**Are you taking this course for credit?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe briefly why you are applying:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount of grants received for this in-service from other sources:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you received this scholarship before?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Supervisor's Signature** (pastor, pastoral administrator, principal, DRE, etc.)

(To verify your intent)

\*At the completion of the course, workshop, or in-service, please complete a 100 – 200 word paper demonstrating how your ministry has or will be perceived and impacted by the theological and ministerial understanding you gained from this course and submit it to the Catechist Formation Scholarship Committee at the Diocese of New Ulm or the St. Raphael Scholarship Committee in Springfield, MN.