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Dear Pastors, Principals of Catholic Mission Schools and Directors of Religious Education Programs:

Pope Benedict XVI in his address to Catholic Educators during his Apostolic Journey to the United States in April 2008, said, "**Education is integral to the Mission of the Church to proclaim the Good News . . .**" (Spe Salvi, 4).

Thank you for continuing the Mission of Jesus with your many sacrifices as you promotes the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our **Black Catholic and Native American Mission Schools and Religious Education Programs**. Your witness of discipleship strengthens the children and their families to draw ever closer to Christ the Teacher. The presence of the Church brings hope to our Indian Reservations, Urban areas and all communities.

I am writing to inform you that beginning August 2011; all Mission Schools and Religious Education Programs receiving Grants from the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions and the Catholic Negro-American Mission Board will be forwarded to your respective diocese for distribution to your school. **You will receive a copy of the letter sent to the Diocesan Bishop.** Enclosed is the Spring 2011 grant distribution check and information pertinent to future funding.

Two grants will be available per academic year: Fall and Spring. If you wish to be considered to receive a grant in the Spring of 2012, kindly return the enclosed newly established GRANT APPLICATION FORM, no later than Monday, December 12, 2011. Also, please note that the deadline for a grant in the Fall of 2012 is Monday, April 9, 2012.

Henceforth, you may obtain an application form by downloading a copy from the Black and Indian Mission website or call to request a form, (202) 331-8542. Following the aforementioned dates above, all Grant Application Forms must be received during the first week of April and December of the academic year. Special requests will be handled on an individual basis and are subject to the availability of funds. You may contact me directly by phone or email, info@blackandindianmission.org.

Thank you for your cooperation and ministry to our many Native American and African American communities. I am encouraged each time I visit our mission schools and religious education programs and witness the love and generous hearts shared with our Black and Indian boys and girls.

Bless you and all who cooperate with you in the missionary spirit of St. Katharine Drexel, as you bring the Catholic Faith and Catholic education to the classroom and to the tender hearts of our youth!

Wishing you Easter joy and peace in the Risen Lord,

Reverend Wayne C. Paysse
Executive Director

**BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS and
CATHOLIC NEGRO-AMERICAN MISSION BOARD
SCHOOL GRANT/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM APPLICATION**

APPLY FOR GRANT: _____ NATIVE AMERICAN _____ AFRICAN AMERICAN (check one)
_____ SCHOOL _____ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (check one)

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN BY December 12, 2011 TO:

**Reverend Wayne C. Paysse, Executive Director
Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions or
Catholic Negro-American Mission Board
2021 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006-4207
202-331-8542**

Name of Principal _____

Name of Director of Religious Education _____

Name of School _____

Name of Parish where Religious Education Program is located _____

Address (include mailing address if different) _____

Phone Number (____) _____ Fax Number (____) _____

E-Mail _____ Website _____

Do you receive parish support for the school? Amount \$ _____

Do you receive parish support for the Religious Education Program? Amount \$ _____

Do you have a fundraising program? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes - Types of fundraising:

Total income from above fundraising programs - \$ _____

Do you receive funding from other sources? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes - give organization and amount received -

(Arch)Diocese _____

Pastor _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

WHAT IMPACT WILL THE GRANT HAVE ON THE EVANGELIZATION IN THE SCHOOL/PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (Respond below)

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Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

PLEASE NOTE: SPRING GRANT 2012 APPLICATION DUE BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2011.

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Do you receive parish support for the Religious Education Program? Amount \$ _____

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If yes - Types of fundraising:

Total income from above fundraising programs - \$ _____

Do you receive funding from other sources? ___ Yes ___ No
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Pastor _____

Mailing Address _____

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Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

PLEASE NOTE: FALL GRANT 2012 APPLICATION DUE BY MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012.