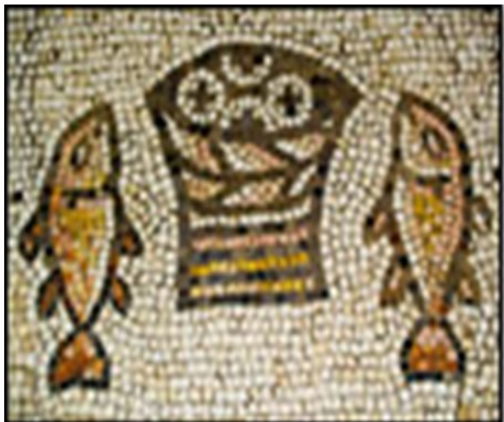


APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Application forms are available from the parish. All applications must be made by the parish or school and approved by the parish priest or pastoral life director. Individuals cannot apply to the fund directly.

Applications are reviewed twice a year (normally spring and fall).

Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis. All original receipts for the project must be submitted before monies are released to the parish or school.



"IN ORDER THAT THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS BE ABLE TO EXERCISE THE MINISTRY THAT IS PROPER TO THEM THEY NEED TO BE – AND HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE – PROPERLY EDUCATED."

Excerpt from: *A Vision for the Diocese*
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Purpose and Priorities

Funds from the Trust support and encourage new initiatives for religious education in the Diocese of Prince George. Religious education includes formation in catechesis (adult, youth, child), theology, scripture, liturgy and social justice. The priorities are:

- Adult religious education and faith formation
- Initiatives for youth
- Native catechesis and spirituality
- Liturgical formation

RET funding is available for parishes and missions to purchase catechetical program materials and to enable their people to participate in Lay Formation and attend courses, conferences and workshops.

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Criteria for Funding

1. Financial need
2. Beneficial to more than one individual (directly or indirectly)
3. Canadian in content whenever possible
4. Diocesan in nature, that is:
 - Available to region or diocese
 - Shared in some form with others in the diocese
 - Educational in nature
 - Encouraging the development of lay ministry
 - Supportive of persons who have, and plan to continue to, work in the diocese

Ineligible for funding:

- Capital expenditures
- Parish missions
- Rental of facilities
- Personal retreats
- Salaries