Archdiocese of Indianapolis Home Mission Grant – Growth and Expansion Grant – James P. Scott Grant <u>Application Process Summary</u>

The Home Mission Grant, Growth and Expansion Grant and James P. Scott Grant processes have been combined to efficiently and effectively distribute archdiocesan endowment grant money available for parishes, schools and ministries. The following is a brief description for each fund and its purpose:

The St. Francis Xavier Home Mission Grant

Approximately \$200,000 available each year

The Saint Francis Xavier Home Mission Grant Endowment Fund provides a distribution, coupled with funds parishes direct that are collected over and above the parish Christ Our Hope Appeal goal, awarded to home mission parishes and schools. A home mission parish or school is one that is experiencing poverty or faces emergency needs that they cannot meet on their own and are vital to the mission of the Church.

The Growth and Expansion Grant

Approximately \$140,000 available each year

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis' Growth and Expansion Endowment Fund provides support to archdiocesan parishes, schools, and agencies that are growing or expanding their ministries. The growth and expansion initiatives may be in the form of capital requests, staffing or programming needs, but the need must be tied to a new or expanding ministry.

The James P. Scott Grant

Approximately \$250,000 available each year

The James P. Scott Endowment Fund was funded with an undesignated estate gift to the Archdiocese of Indianapolis from Mr. Scott. Funds will be provided in the form of a matching grant or award to support an archdiocesan parish, school or agency capital project that demonstrates greatest potential impact on an archdiocesan program, parish or the larger Catholic community and/or needs additional donor incentive to fill a capital project fundraising gap.

Combined Grant Review Process

Two grant distributions are available each year with approximately two thirds of available funds from each grant awarded in January and the remaining one third awarded in July. The Grant Review Committee is comprised of the following individuals:

- Three Archdiocesan Staff Chief Financial Officer, Executive Director of Stewardship and Development and Director of Parish Financial Services
- Six Clergy Representatives Vicar General and five additional pastors
- Six Staff/Lay Volunteers to include CCF Board and Archdiocesan Finance Council representation

Steps - Combined Grant Review Process		Deadline
Step One:	Applicant ministries complete and submit grant application form.	10/31 & 4/30
Step Two:	Applications reviewed by staff and assigned to the Grant Review Committee.	11/15 & 5/15
Step Three:	Grant Review Committee members call assigned applicant asking follow up questions including those from standardized list.	12/15 & 6/15
Step Four:	Grant Review Committee meets to review applications and make grant recommendations for Bishop approval.	1/15 & 6/30