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**Indianapolis Archdiocese Names Director of Planned Giving**

INDIANAPOLIS (February 18, 2014) – The Catholic Archdiocese of Indianapolis Office of Stewardship and Development has named Joanna Feltz director of Planned Giving for the Catholic Community Foundation. Feltz is an attorney specializing in trusts and estates and is a member of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis.

Feltz graduated from the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis in 1998, was a trust administrator for Fifth Third Bank and an attorney with a Carmel-based estate planning firm before joining Galbraith Associates in 2003, which merged with Cleveland-based Hahn Loeser + Parks in 2009. She served on the Planned Giving Committee of the Ronald McDonald House from 2005-2010.

As Director of Planned Giving for the Catholic Community Foundation, Feltz will be responsible for administering education programs throughout the archdiocese around legacy planning opportunities, improving the participation in permanent gifts for the Foundation, and assisting those who wish to set up outright or permanent gifts for the sustainability of parishes, schools, agencies, and ministries of the archdiocese.

“It’s never too early to start thinking about planned giving, take inventory on what you value in every day life, and identify the things you want to live on long after you are no longer here,” Feltz said. “Whether it’s planning for your family or for the sustainability of Catholic schools or ministries, or helping the homeless or aged.

“What has drawn me to working in this area is the ability to know that just by talking to people and helping them achieve their planning goals, I know there will be someone on the receiving end who is getting resources they wouldn’t have otherwise gotten,” she added. “That person might have gone hungry for the day or not had shelter at night or not had daycare for an elder person. There are so many worthy legacy opportunities, and this is what drives me to do this every day.”

Feltz is a life-long Indianapolis resident and a fifth generation Catholic.

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