

The Mother Teresa Endowment Fund was established in 2005 to support individuals or couples experiencing limited financial resources while awaiting the birth of their child and/or during the initial period after the birth. These funds can be used to help cover expenses not covered by insurance or Medicaid such as prenatal clinic costs, hospital and birthing expenses, temporary rent, phone, and utility payments, maternity clothes, and other basic needs.

This fund, administered through the Office of Parish Life and Evangelization of the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw, Michigan, continues to grow by the generous gifts of many individuals who support LIFE. The dollars contributed are invested and the interest generated provides revenue for continued assistance. These gift dollars keep working in perpetuity to promote and support new life.

Since the Mother Teresa fund was established nearly twenty years ago, **over 300 women and children** have been positively impacted. Recipients are connected with not only financial support, but an entire community resource network to ensure that parents are able to access comprehensive care leading up to, and following, new life. The CCFMM and Catholic Diocese of Saginaw regularly work directly with community agencies, landlords, and utility companies to connect mothers and children with essential support finding affordable housing, tackling food insecurity, and procuring financial assistance.

“By donating to this fund, you’re helping to save two lives,” said Lori Becker, previous Coordinator of Diocesan Outreach. “Think about Mother Teresa, who went above and beyond to care for people. That’s what this fund is for, and that’s what our faithful donors are helping to support.”

“Our whole community comes together to surround both mother and baby with love and support.”

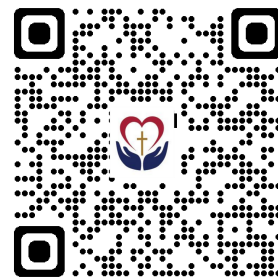
Lori Becker

# Mother Teresa Endowment Fund



“The best gift we can give to any child is to make that child feel wanted, loved and cared for because a child is the greatest gift of God.”

*Mother Teresa of Calcutta*



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through the Mother  
Teresa Endowment  
Fund here!*



The Mother Teresa Fund serves parents and children of all backgrounds and creeds to ensure that every child is given a chance at life. Recipients are empowered to become self-sufficient during this process in order to create strong and stable foundations for their children.

Questions regarding this endowment or how to apply for funds can be directed to Beth Bauer, Coordinator of Marriage and Family Ministry, at (989) 797-6655.

# Feature: Meet Our Grants Committee

*The Catholic Community Foundation of Mid-Michigan is blessed with a robust grants committee comprised of diverse individuals with a shared passion for promoting Catholic causes and allocating funds to those most in need. Hugh LeFevre and Kay Hauck are two individuals who have served the Saginaw Diocese in this capacity for several years.*



Hugh LeFevre, a life-long Catholic whose father previously served on the CCFMM Board of Trustees, is a lawyer by trade and brings decades of financial and operational expertise to the CCFMM.

His inspiration for joining the committee comes from his strong belief in Catholic social and moral teachings, particularly those related to serving the poor and vulnerable. Hugh has served the Diocese of Saginaw in a variety of capacities for over a decade, including membership on the CCFMM Executive Board as the Committee Chair and current membership on the Board of Emmaus House in Saginaw. His background in law, organizational management, and community networking has been a great asset to the grants committee as they allocate funds to organizations and causes making positive impacts throughout the Diocese.

**“This organization does a lot of good to support schools, parishes, individuals, and the whole diocese,”** Hugh states. **“It’s rewarding to see how [grant] funds are distributed and the different organizations that are able to benefit.”**



Kay Hauck’s passion for promoting investments toward Catholic causes also comes from a robust upbringing in the Catholic faith, as well as her current role as the Assistant Principal at Sacred Heart Academy in Mount Pleasant.

As a mother of four daughters receiving Catholic educations at Sacred Heart, Kay has a personal commitment to “keeping our Catholic schools strong.” She attended Catholic school herself through 6th grade, and states that attending regular Mass and faith-based learning were instrumental in her own upbringing. As a member of the CCFMM grants committee, she is able to provide unique perspective on potential grant recipients due to her 25+ years in the education sector, particularly how to best support student success through meaningful scholarship opportunities and initiatives within Catholic schools.

**“It’s good to be part of the conversation of how funds are spent,”** Kay says. **“It’s inspiring to see the generosity of individuals in supporting our Catholic schools and communities.”**



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June 8, 2024

10:00 AM

Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption  
615 Hoyt Ave. Saginaw, MI

## Hopeful Futures Scholarship Mass & Reception

The Catholic Community Foundation of Mid-Michigan’s Hopeful Futures Scholarship provides financial assistance to pregnant women and new mothers who are continuing their college education while choosing **LIFE** for their child.

Join us for a community Mass and reception to celebrate these scholarship recipients, their families, and the donors who make this support possible!

*Thank you to our generous sponsor!*



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*Grant Applications accepted April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024*

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