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The diocese has begun the second Catholic Thanks Giving Appeal in which Bishop Matthew H. Clark goes directly to parishioners for the funds necessary to conduct ministry programs. The goal this year is \$2,550,000. To keep diocesans informed on diocesan activities and programs the Courier-Journal this week begins a six-part series on the appeal and the various diocesan ministries.

Division of Educational Ministry

The Division of Education serves the diocese through the departments of General Education, Religious Education and Parish Council Development.

Last year's Thanksgiving Appeal has enabled us to expand our services in working toward our goal — recognition that Catholic education is a lifelong process of deepening our relationship with God through knowledge and understanding of the Lord, participation and unity through worship and extension of those gifts through service.

As a result we have initiated the division of Youth Ministry, expanded the availability of programs for the continuing education of teachers of religion in the parochial and parish schools of religion, provided a staff person to assist local parishes in the long-range planning for Catholic elementary school education, a staff person for improvement of adult education and are improving the audiovisual library for the use of diocesans. We are grateful for these efforts which will begin to address long-felt needs.

The Goal: \$2,550,000

Education: The Finances

EXPENSES	INCOME	NEEDED FROM APPEAL
\$695,000	\$115,000	\$580,000

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- Sister Edwardine Weaver, RSM, Superintendent of Schools



training and development of principals and teachers. It also offers direction to schools in personnel, curriculum and management.

In addition, it works extracurricularly with parents, community organizations and public school districts. Training programs for volunteer religious education teachers also is a service of this department.

In looking forward to the future, we hope to provide a program for Lay Ministry Development, expand the use of video materials, develop programs for parents and teens to aid the communications process, reach out to the disabled and handicapped, research future directions for elementary and secondary education, and expand the services of the Religious Education Office by opening a field office in the eastern portion of the diocese.

General Education

This department works to provide quality Catholic education through professional

Religious Education

This department provides catechetical development and opportunities for everyone in deepening the growth of faith.

It works with parishes to establish selection and training of personnel. It also provides materials and curriculum for parish programs.

The department has long served youths through such programs as Seminar, Genesis, Antioch. Now it has initiated the Office of Youth Ministry.

Continuing Education

This department administers programs for new pastor training, provides programs and workshops for pastoral assistants, directors of Religious Education and school principals and coordinates educational leadership programs. In short, it provides educational opportunities for professional ministerial staffs for parishes and institutions.

Parish Council Development

This department offers training for the formation and operation of parish councils through special sessions and workshops.