**DIOCESE OF NEWARK**

**Application for Clergy Continuing Education Support**

Name of Clergy

Address

Phone

Email

How long have you been in active, ordained ministry

Location of present ministry

For how long?

What is the most recent Continuing Education program you’ve attended?

Dates?

What is your intended Continuing Education program? (Include dates, location, program name)

Please identify why you’ve chosen this program – Please include whether it helps your current ministry in some way or is it more generally about your development as a priest.

What is the cost for this program? Include best estimates of all costs (travel, tuition, room and board, books, fees, etc.).

How much is your congregation contributing towards the cost of this program?

How much assistance are you seeking from the Diocese of Newark?

Continuing Education Support

As of January 1, 2021

**Continuing Education Support** is available for active clergy of the diocese on an annual basis, for those whose continuing education needs exceed the $1000 that all congregations are supposed to provide to parochial clergy.

Continuing education is an important part of staying current and continuing to develop skills and experience needed for ministry. Continuing education generally supports developing ministry skills for serving a particular congregation or supports the ongoing development of the priest as priest. This isn’t always a conference or class. There may be ongoing continuing education costs from working with a coach, for example, or enhancing needed language skills.

When a continuing education offering exceeds allocated funds in the parish, determined by the Letter of Agreement, Bishop Hughes intends to provide support, when possible, matching the amount that the congregation provides for the cleric, up to 1/3 of the cost of the continuing education program, with a maximum of $1500. This cost is based on the reported cost estimate on the Application for Continuing Education Support, available from the Bishop’s Office.