



MISSION

The mission of the Catholic Education Opportunities Foundation is to provide tuition assistance for students attending K-8 Catholic schools in the Central and Eastern Kentucky counties encompassed by the Diocese of

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The Catholic Education Opportunities Foundation will grow future servantleaders strong in values, academics, and the Catholic faith.

2024 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

When I was a child, my parents wanted to send all of their children to Catholic schools. As products of parochial schools themselves, they understood the value of a faith-based education. However, with eleven kids that wasn't always financially possible. Fortunately, my children and grandchildren have been blessed to attend parochial schools in the Diocese of Lexington. We have seen firsthand as a family the academic and spiritual benefits that our Catholic schools provide.

Unfortunately, there are many families, Catholic and of other faith backgrounds, that desire a Catholic education for their children but simply can't afford it. The goal of the Catholic Education Opportunities Foundation is to provide tuition assistance for those who need a hand up. We believe all children deserve a quality education. To achieve this, we need to continue to raise awareness of our mission and CEOF's role in helping families reach this dream.

This newsletter and our other fundraising events help us get the message out to those that are willing and able to support our mission. Please help us by spreading the word and making a donation. Your gift will enable families to reap the benefits of a great Catholic education!

David Bowling







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LUMINARIA 2024 DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR AWARD

Mark Worthington



LUMINARIA 2024 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Andy Moore, M.D.

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Luminaria 2024 Winners

Congratulations to the Distinguished Educator Award winner, Mark Worthington, and the Distinguished Alumnus award recipient, Dr. Andy Moore.

An unwavering commitment to the Gospel, coupled with his exemplary service and individualized instruction, distinguished Mark Worthington as a shining example of what it means to be an outstanding educator. For over three decades, Mark has graced the halls of Holy Family Catholic School in Ashland, Kentucky, leaving an indelible mark on the lives of students, faculty, and parishioners.

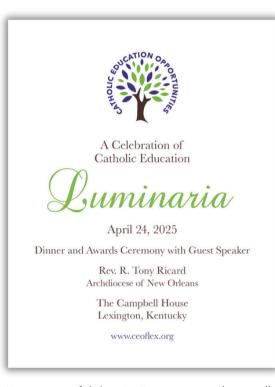
Dr. Andy Moore grew from a rambunctious boy, who often tried the patience of the nuns who taught him, to an outstanding, talented, and award-winning plastic surgeon practicing alongside his father and brothers. He concentrated on helping patients who needed reconstructive surgery due to birth defects, injuries, accidents, and illnesses including cancer. He employed the values of community and service in his professional and home life. In 2005, Andy started Surgery on Sunday (SOS). SOS is a non-profit organization that provides medically necessary outpatient surgeries at no cost to income-eligible, uninsured, or underinsured individuals who do not qualify for federal or state assistance. Even though Andy has retired from his medical practice he continues to be a guiding light to the SOS foundation.



It is a great pleasure to announce the Luminaria 2025 Keynote Speaker, Father Tony Ricard, who is the Executive Director of Knight-Time Ministries and Two Knights Publishing Company. Fr. Tony is a priest for the Archdiocese of New Orleans; campus minister at St. Augustine High School, New Orleans; and an Instructor of Church Doctrine/Youth Ministry for the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University, Louisiana. Since 2000, Fr. Tony has also served as the Catholic Chaplain of the New Orleans Saints.

Fr. Tony is a nationally recognized teacher, speaker, and author. He has written fourteen bestselling books including, "MAXimum Faith: Prayers and Reflections by Young Katrina Survivors" and "Pray with Me! A Courageous Journey of Faith." His teaching background includes elementary, middle, high school, and college students.

Luminaria 2025



We are grateful that Fr. Tony answered our call to speak at the fourth annual Luminaria. As a dear friend of our beloved Father Norman Fischer, we are blessed to now call him our friend.

Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 24, 2025. You will not want to miss this evening celebrating Catholic education!

Golf Scramble



The 2nd annual CEOF Golf Scramble was held on June 7th at Connemara Golf Course. The weather was beautiful and all who attended enjoyed the day as we raised precious funds for tuition assistance. Thank you to our premier sponsor, Toyota on Nicholasville, and to all of our hole sponsors.

Mark your calendars for the 3rd annual CEOF Golf Scramble which will be held Friday, June 20, 2025 at Connemara Golf Course.

Stallions, Sips, & Savories









The CEOF Equine Fund was established in the fall of 2022, thanks to the generosity of the Clay family of Runnymede Farm. The inaugural equine industry-supported event was held to bring awareness to the fund whose proceeds benefit children of parents employed in the equine industry. This successful event, Sips, Stallions, and Savories, will now become an annual event for all those who support the CEOF mission.

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Pictured: Kim Thompson, Carol Steltenkamp, Julia Taylor, Dan Bork, David Bowling, Fr. Dan Noll, Bill Hoskins, & Kyle Lee

Not Pictured: John Stewart Jr. & Bishop John Stowe and newly elected members, Beth McNulty and Donald Lloyd



GIVE TO CEOF

The demand for tuition assistance has never been greater among our Catholic schools. You can help fund scholarships for low-income students this year in many ways.

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- alumnus, class teacher or priest





December 3-6, 2024

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The Catholic Education Opportunities Foundation is committed to raising funds for tuition assistance for Catholics and Non-Catholics in grades K-8 to attend Catholic school in the Diocese of Lexington. The Diocese of Lexington was established in 1988, from parts of the Archdiocese of Louisville and the Diocese of Covington. The Diocese of Lexington serves not only the "Horse Capitol of the World" in Fayette and surrounding counties, but also the 40 Appalachian counties of Eastern Kentucky, where 74% of children live below the poverty line. The Diocese of Lexington is designated as a mission diocese within the United States.

