

Diocese of Scranton
Parish Social Justice Grants
PROJECT SUGGESTIONS

Project Description	Suggested funding
Film or book discussions – host a small group film or book discussion with a social justice theme. Or, go big with a parish wide film fest or book read followed by a discussion session. Suggestions can be found on OCSJM website	\$250-\$1000
Speaker series - host a live or virtual presentation or series with possible follow-up activities. Network Lobby for Catholic Social Justice offers a Racial Wealth and Income Gap workshop; pair a human trafficking awareness talk with an activity to support victims	\$250-\$2,000
Educational Study programs – start a small group discussion using prepared materials. JustFaith offers 8 week modules on topics such as racial equity, migration, and broader based social justice/spirituality programs.	\$300 -\$1,500
Group Trainings – hire a professional facilitator or consultant to provide intercultural competency, bias awareness, or anti-racism training. OCSJM’s Parishes in Action program is designed to provide foundational teachings in Catholic social justice ministry and can be adapted for a virtual format. Amos Resources provides in depth social justice training & consulting	\$250-\$5,000
Individual Leadership trainings – send parishioners to the Catholic Social Ministry Gathering , Social Action Summer Institute , or other social justice oriented leadership training and invite them to bring those skills into parish ministry.	\$250-\$5,000
Building intercultural relationships within and across parishes –create an intentional relationship with a parish that has a different culture or learn about and visit with different parishes throughout the diocese; organize a multi-cultural awareness event within the parish build relationships between Hispanic and non-Hispanic communities within the parish (think music! food!)	\$500-\$5,000
Parish Resources and Liturgical Art – expand religious education materials or liturgical art to feature Hispanic and Black Catholics and greater cultural diversity; use prayer resources such as Stations of the Cross which bring attention to moral issues.	\$250-\$3,000
Issued based projects or campaigns – develop awareness and action programs on immigration reform , human trafficking, gun violence, climate change , health care reform, criminal justice reform – issues which people of color are disproportionately affected	\$500-\$3,000
Youth and Young Adult involvement – invite them to organize events rooted in the Corporal Works of Mercy	\$200-\$5,000

The following items eligible for funding consideration:

Books, study guides, and workbooks; videos, movie rights, screen and equipment rental; virtual platform fees and communication platforms; stipends for program leaders and guest speakers; program registration fees; conference registration and travel expenses; program materials and supplies; promotional materials (posters, banners, advertising); event refreshments; transportation to in-state events such as a van to visit the Pa State Capitol or a bus to visit a parish)