



# compassion by example

dr. mary frances maloney

Dr. Mary Frances Maloney's journey in philanthropy began with her parents, who immigrated to the United States from Newfoundland, Canada.

With only three years of formal education, Dr. Maloney's dad became a hardworking commercial fisherman. His time in the industry profoundly impacted him, sparking a commitment to give his children the one thing he believed would uplift them in ways he never had the chance to experience: a Catholic education.

This dedication drove him to work tirelessly, 365 days a year, far from home, enduring hardships on the ocean. It was his way of investing in his children's futures, ensuring they had the opportunities that he did not. And he succeeded; Dr. Maloney and her siblings received a combined 115 years of Catholic education, a testament to her father's sacrifices. Even Dr. Maloney's nieces and nephews collectively carried this legacy forward with 322 years of Catholic education.

As an adult, Dr. Maloney remained inspired by her father's vision and devotion, and she chose to carry on his legacy in her own way. She decided to work with the Catholic Community Foundation to designate her IRAs toward scholarships funding Catholic education. This would ensure that children from working-class families could access a Catholic education, just as her family had.

In Dr. Maloney's heart, her gift is a tribute to her parents' dreams and sacrifices. By including Catholic education in her legacy giving, she keeps her father's spirit alive, one of resilience, dedication, and the belief that education could transform lives. Dr. Maloney's father's dream endures through her gift—offering countless children the same gift that once empowered her family.

"For my father, education was paramount. He often told me and my siblings that he would go without the shirt on his back to ensure we received a Catholic education."

**EDUCATION  
FOREVER FUND**  
providing **scholarships**



SCAN >>  
HERE



ccfphx.org | 480-651-8800