

# CATHOLIC ENERGIES NEWS

Proudly serving Catholic organizations nationwide as their trusted solar project developer to evaluate and deliver measurable economic and environmental benefits

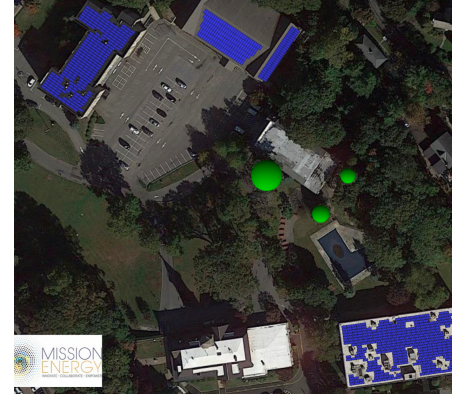
The **Catholic Diocese of Richmond** continues to expand solar utilization across its parishes and schools. Mission Energy is preparing their 11th and 12th projects for construction, at St. Augustine Church in North Chesterfield and Our Lady Mount Carmel School in Newport News, respectively.



*"On the material level it will, of course, save us money, but on a spiritual level the solar panels will serve as a constant reminder to us that, as Pope Francis has said, 'Each of us has a personal responsibility to care for creation, this precious gift which God has entrusted to us.' The savings will allow us to grow our outreach to those who are still suffering the effects of COVID-19."*

— Rev. Wayne Ball, Pastor, St. Augustine Church, Virginia

**Religious Congregations of Men**, specifically members of CMSM, continue to expand their relationships with Mission Energy through our Catholic Energies service. We are developing roof top solar projects on two campuses for the **Salesian Society - Province of St. Philip the Apostle** at their Marian Shrine retreat campus in Stony Point, New York and their Provincial campus in New Rochelle, New York; the **Oblates of Mary Immaculate** plan to add solar on their campus in Belleville, Illinois and on their Madonna building in San Antonio, Texas; we just began our feasibility study for the **Marist Brothers** for their campus in Ulster County, New York; construction is underway for rooftop solar at the Holy Family Retreat, Connecticut owned by The **Order of the Passion (Passionists)**; we also are waiting on permits to begin construction at their Jamaica, New York Monastery and the Colegio Santa Gema school in San Juan, Puerto Rico.



## Sisolak tours 550-kilowatt solar project at Catholic Charities campus

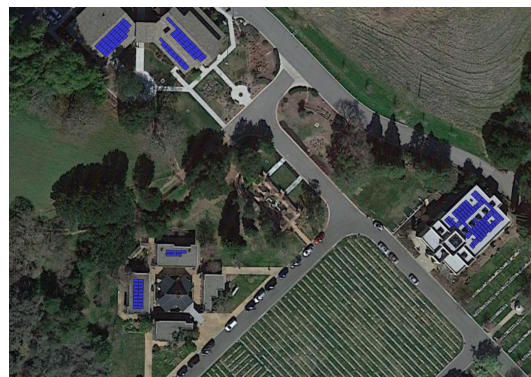
We are nearing the end of construction for a multi-million dollar solar, LED, and new roofing project for **Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada**, one of the largest non-profit installations in the state. Nevada Governor Sisolak visited the solar project a week ago for a tour by Deacon

Tom Roberts. They sent us this local Nevada newspaper article and video of the tour: <https://www.reviewjournal.com/business/sisolak-tours-550-kilowatt-solar-project-at-catholic-charities-campus-2411933/>



The **Brothers of the Christian Schools** plan to install a 213 kW solar ground array on their beautiful 106 acre former provincial headquarters campus, Christian Brothers Center, in Narragansett, Rhode Island. Mission Energy is developing their project and securing funding via PPA financing. The solar installer selected is Renewable Energy Services of New England located in Cranston, Rhode Island. Construction will commence later this year.

**Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services** and Mission Energy have teamed up to develop solar for their cemeteries, beginning with four cemetery properties for the Catholic Diocese of Oakland, California. All four cemeteries will lower energy costs, preserve capital and contribute to their sustainability goals across their cemetery properties, including the conversion of their fleet to all-electric vehicles.



### Meet the Mission Energy team behind Catholic Energies



Behind every successful project we develop for Catholic clients is a team of dedicated professionals. **Meet Emily DeGrasse.** Emily is one of our Project Managers focused on the project development thru construction cycle. Her primary goal is to manage the solar and other contractors to ensure the project is properly built and fulfilled on-time and within budget. Her role requires extensive coordination and communications with a variety of parties. Emily lives in Denver and loves skiing, then soaking in hot springs to recover and relax.



**Catholic Energies** is a solar project development service of Catholic Climate Covenant. Created and operated by Mission Energy, we empower Catholic organizations nationwide to put faith into action to protect our common home.

We do the work for busy Catholic officials. We represent their best interests throughout. We design and model a project's economic potential, we vet technologies and solar contractors, we find investors or other financing for each project per the organization's preferences, and serve as project manager for the installation. Our mission is to help organizations:

1. *Make informed decisions whether or not to install solar and energy efficiency projects*
2. *Lower their costs, risk and operating expenses from less expensive, more reliable renewable power*
3. *Secure the capital for funding these projects*
4. *Put stewardship for God's creation into practice to further serve their mission*