CHRISTOPHER M. WALLSCHLAEGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

PURPOSE
This scholarship is intended to encourage students to consider attending Newman Catholic High School. It is awarded to an incoming Newman Catholic High School freshman. An additional scholarship may be awarded to the student in their senior year at Newman if they choose to continue and complete their high school studies at Newman.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Apply through the Newman Catholic Schools scholarship application process.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
March 31

YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:
- An essay reflecting your views on the “Peace Prayer” and how it applies to your life
- Transcript of most recent grades
- An outline of extracurricular activities including sports and community service
- A reference letter

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION
To be considered for the Christopher M. Wallschlaeger Memorial Scholarship, applicants must meet the following criterion:
- Currently attends a Catholic school (as an 8th grade student);
- Actively participates in any team sport and other extracurricular activities
- Plans to attend Newman Catholic High School for the next four years
- Note – financial need and high GPA are not factors for selection

ANNOUNCEMENT
The recipient/s will be announced at their 8th grade promotions ceremony/mass in the spring. A member of the Wallschlaeger family will make the presentation of the award when possible.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP
The Community Foundation will make payment directly to Newman Catholic Schools’ administrative office once proof of enrollment is confirmed.

The Christopher M. Wallschlaeger Memorial Scholarship Fund was established within the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin by his parents, Jeanne and Pat Wallschlaeger, shortly after his death. Earnings from the fund are distributed annually in the form of scholarships to provide encouragement for students who demonstrate strong values and principles to consider deepening their faith experience through a Catholic education at the high school level.

Christopher Wallschlaeger was born at Wausau Hospital on January 31, 1989. He loved everybody and everything that God created. He did not like war and hoped that all people could find peace. He was a team player and loved team sports. He was an active Boy Scout and enjoyed spending time with his fellow scouts. Christopher was a typical teen who loved to play basketball, golf, watch the Woodchucks baseball team, play computer games, serve at Mass, learn about nature, travel with his family, and spend time with his two brothers, Brian and Scott. He was kind, compassionate, thoughtful, and had a strong faith, which he lived by each day.

Christopher was a sophomore at Newman Catholic High School at the time of his death. He passed away on September 2, 2004, on Lake Wausau – a place where he loved to spend his time jet skiing, kayaking, and sail boarding. He will be remembered as a humble servant of God with a quiet and unassuming manner. His kindness and compassion set him apart from others. The “Peace Prayer,” by Saint Francis was his favorite prayer. Chris chose Francis for his confirmation name and would have been confirmed in December of 2004.

The Peace Prayer by Saint Francis of Assisi (1181-1226)

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace:
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is discord, union;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that
I may not so much seek
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.