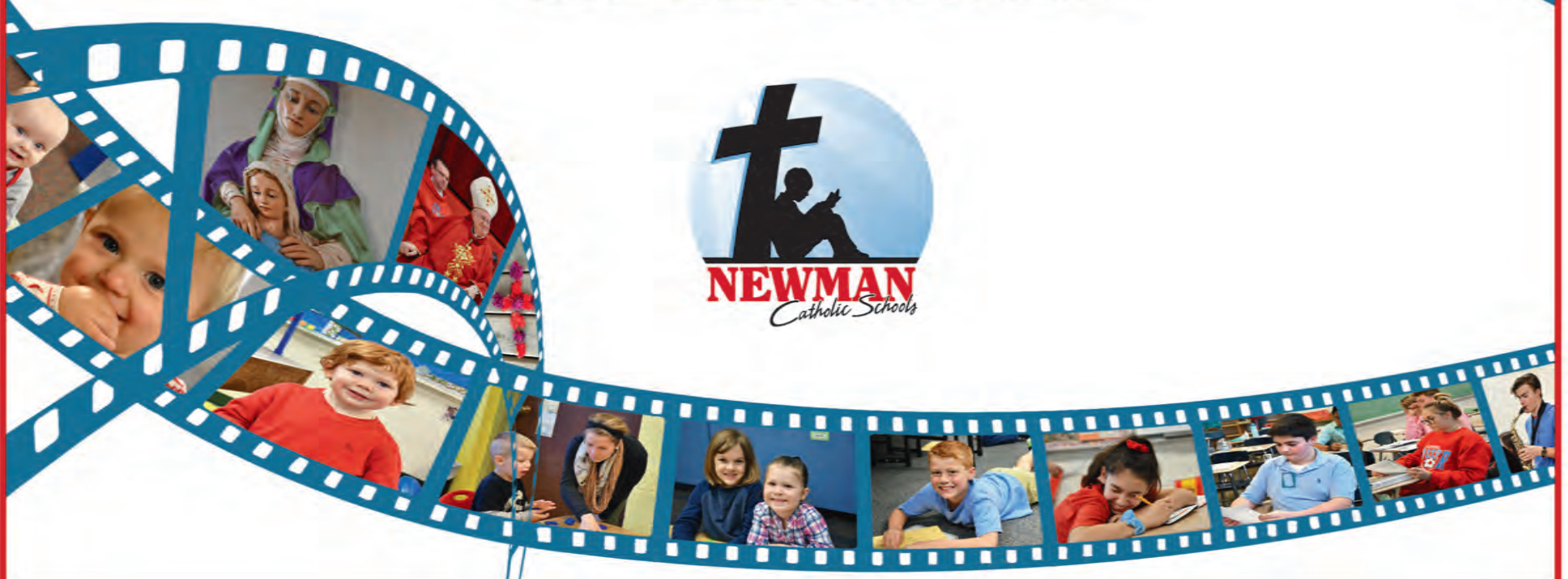


NEWMAN

2019 - 2020 Annual Report
2020 - 2021 School Calendar



MESSAGE • FROM • JEFF • GULAN



Newman Catholic Schools enters the 2020-21 school year with a plethora of opportunities for the students, staff, and support personnel. I can not emphasize the word opportunity enough. In a changing world, Newman is continuing to move forward bringing a strong Catholic education to each and everyone of its students.

With the institution of a comprehensive strategic plan, the system now has a viable guide to planning for the future. This plan addresses key domains throughout the system, providing guidance in key areas of our system. For the first time, key system decisions will be made using a plan crafted by people closely tied to Newman Catholic Schools.

This summer has been challenging, however, as we prepare for the fall we have been blessed with the opportunity to bring instruction to meet our students needs. Whether in-person or remotely our students will be able to meet the academic challenges of a very diverse world. We have been blessed to have financial support, through donations, to install updated technology in ALL classrooms. This upgrade will allow students to learn in-person and remotely. Newman teachers went the extra mile to prepare for meeting the challenges this coming year will present.

The Newman family is strong and vibrant. As the challenges continue, Newman Catholic Schools looks at opportunities to continue as the great Catholic school system it has been. I look forward to the opportunities that are coming. We Are Newman!

May God bless you and your family,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Gulan".

Jeff Gulan, NCS President

MESSAGE • FROM • THE • CHAPLAIN

Hello! My name is Father Joe Richards. I am the incoming chaplain for Newman Catholic Middle and High School, taking over Fr. Peter's good work of the last few years. Originally from Santa Rosa, CA, my family moved out to La Crosse in 2000 and have been involved in the Church there ever since. I am a graduate of Aquinas High School (Class of 2008) and Saint Mary's University of Minnesota (Class of 2012).



I earnestly began considering the priesthood back in 2014. For a few years I had been up in Duluth, MN working with the Fellowship of Catholic University Students. During that time I was working closely with another priest who manifested a deep affection for his own priesthood and whose work met with considerable spiritual fruit. This combination struck me with an attractive enough force to spark my own interest in doing something similar with my life. One evening in prayer I mentioned this sliver of interest to God, and one thing led to another until I found myself getting started at Mundelein Seminary in Chicagoland.

This being my very first assignment as a priest, I am hoping to learn from the Newman community what they most need and to work with you to help our students fall more deeply in love with Jesus Christ. I have a particular desire to bring the healing Christ makes available in his sacraments and in the life of the Church to these young men and women, and I look forward to becoming part of the Newman family!

Mission Statement

Newman Catholic Schools promotes Catholic faith, service and academic excellence to cultivate a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to become lifelong learners and disciples.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Joe Richards".

Fr. Joe Richards
NC M/HS Chaplain

RETIREES

The end of the 2019-2020 school year found us saying goodbye to two of our system's most beloved teachers, Carol Drechsler and Jane Runzheimer. Though neither would desire a grand send off, it is important their legacies be celebrated. These two wonderful educators deserve our deepest gratitude for the love, dedication and service they brought to their classroom and students. May God's blessings be upon them as they begin their adventure into retirement.

Carol Drechsler



Carol Drechsler's legacy with the Diocese of La Crosse began 44 years ago as a 5th grade teacher at St. John's in Edgar. She remained there for 8 years before beginning her 36 years within the Newman system. Mrs. Drechsler started with Newman as a 1st grade teacher at Cabrini for three years before moving to Holy Name. When Holy Name's doors closed, Mrs. Drechsler moved to St. Anne where she taught for the remainder of her career. When asked what her favorite thing about teaching was, Mrs. Drechsler shared that she cherishes the personal connections she made with her students and their families. She loves that she got to teach multiple generations in the same family during her time within the Diocese. Now she looks forward to spending time with her husband, Al, and sons, Alphonse and Patrick.

Jane Runzheimer

Thank you for the 29 years of love, dedication and leadership you offered your students. We wish you all the best in your retirement.

HERB KOHL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION Jeff Gress



Earlier this year, Jeff Gress was honored as a Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellow. The Kohl Teacher Fellowship program recognizes and supports teaching excellence and innovation. The foundation's goal is to support teachers in the pursuit of their unrealized goals for their classroom or professional development. The recipients receive a \$6,000 grant with a matching grant going to their school.

For 20 years, Mr. Gress has brought a high degree of energy and innovation to his classroom. He shares a deep passion for learning with everyone he teaches. This passion was further witnessed on the court and field; 17 years as the boys basketball coach (14 as varsity head coach) and 12 years as head coach for middle school football. When asked what his favorite thing about teaching is, he gladly shared that he loves getting to work with the wonderful students and their families. Each day brings a new energy and experience in watching the students grow spiritually, academically and socially during their time with Newman Catholic Schools.

MASTERS PROGRAMS

Congratulations to the following Newman Catholic Schools educators for successfully receiving their Masters of Education. The system is blessed to have these men and women within the Newman family for they offer the highest degree of dedication, passion and love for the students they teach. Thanks to funding made available through Title II Funding and the I Care Grant program, Newman Catholic Schools was blessed to be able to support these educators in achieving their goal.

Marian University

Masters of Education
Graduated in August 2018

- Doug Beck: NCMS
7 years

Newman Catholic Schools



St. Mary's University of Minnesota

Masters of Education
Graduated in October 2019

- Kim DeByle: NCES: St. Anne
19 years
Newman Catholic Schools



- Jeff Gress: NCMS
20 years
Newman Catholic Schools



- Angela Rozwadowski: NCES: St. Anne
18 years
Newman Catholic Schools



2020 • NCHS • SENIOR • GRADUATES

Alyssa K. Aldrian - High Honors, Drake University

Olivia Babel - Undecided

Benjamin R. Bates - Highest Honors, University of St. Thomas

Matthew G. Beck - University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

Alexandra M. Bennett - Highest Honors, St. Norbert College

Rachel A. Bergmann - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

Honey M. Bickford - University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

Linh Cao - Highest Honors, Northcentral Technical College

Kimberly M. Cummings - Valedictorian, Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - Platteville

Emma L. Feldbruegge - Undecided

Alexandra L. Frankel - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - Platteville

Evelyn D. Gabriel - High Honors, Marquette University

Jadelyn J. Ganski - University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

Gavin J. Groth - St. Cloud State University

Anna E. Hackett - High Honors, University of Wisconsin - La Crosse

Elsa K. Hahn - Honors, Marquette University

Jaida G. Heinz - Highest Honors, Winona State University

Elise M. Johnson - Highest Honors, College of St. Benedict

Gabriel E. Krumm - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, Wausau Campus

Christopher J. Krzewina - Undecided

Desirae L. Lo - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Lauren A. Nowinsky - High Honors, University of Iowa

Katherine R. Opatik - High Honors, University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

Megan E. Peck - Highest Honors, University of North Carolina, School of the Arts

Christopher S. Schneider - High Honors, Marquette University

Julia R. Seidel - Valedictorian, Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - La Crosse

Lauren E. Shields - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - River Falls

Matthew P. Stanke - Northcentral Technical College

Joseph F. Stephan - University of Wisconsin - Platteville

Linnea M. Svennes - Highest Honors, St. Norbert College

HungShih Wang - United States Army

Julia G. Welter - Highest Honors, University of St. Thomas

Joseph V. Zeimetz - University of Wisconsin - Platteville

John R. Zieseimer - High Honors, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, Wausau Campus, Bishop's Award for Excellence in Religion

Emma M. Zubke - Highest Honors, University of Wisconsin - River Falls



Congratulations!

UNDER • CLASS • PROMOTIONS

NCES: St. Anne - Fifth Grade



NCES: St. Mark - Fifth Grade



NCMS Eighth Grade



Congratulations to the 5th and 8th grade students upon their promotion. Our prayers are with them as they begin the next path on their Newman journey to graduation.



We Are One...We Are Newman!



Let Saint John Henry Newman's words guide our Newman family as the new school year begins. For we are all a "...link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons" and we are truly linked during these unique times. We move forward as one in faith and one in our desire to provide a safe educational environment in which our Newman students can continue to thrive. Whether choosing to return to the classroom or continue with virtual instruction, we welcome all students, families, faculty and staff back for another wonderful year with Newman Catholic Schools.

*God has created me to do Him some definite service;
He has committed some work to me
Which He has not committed to another.
I have my mission; I may never know it in this life, but I shall
be told it in the next.
I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.
He has not created me for nothing. I shall do good,
I shall do His work. - St. John Henry Newman*




We walk together as one Newman family and embrace our journey to excel faithfully, academically and spiritually.



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AUGUST 2020

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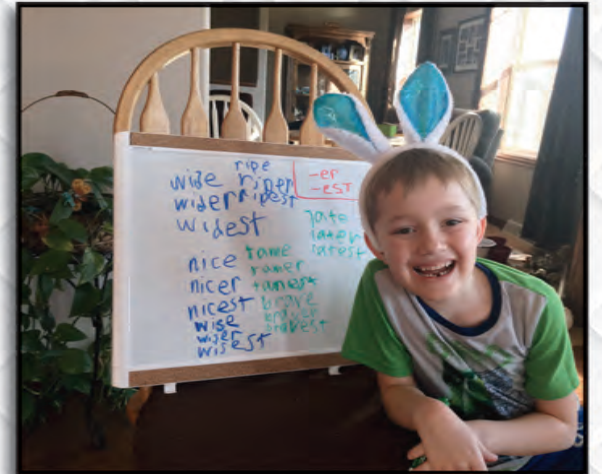
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I love Newman Catholic Schools because we get educated about Jesus and the Church. - Lillian, GRADE 7

*Note calendar events are subject to change

STAYING SAFE...LEARNING FROM HOME

Photos taken during Spring 2020 remote learning



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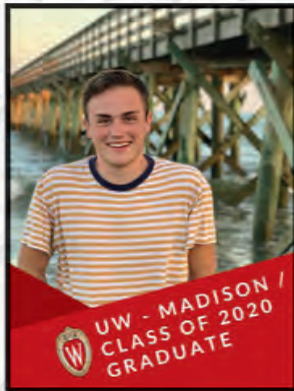
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		1 First 3-Day Preschool Student Day First 4K - WSD & DCE Student Day	2	3	4	5 National ACT Testing
6	7  No School	8	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12
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20	21	22 First Day of Autumn	23 Homecoming	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	<i>I believe that my faith is strengthened as I go through school because every day I'm taught the importance of Christ in my life and how I can, as a Catholic, work towards making the world a better place through service and kindness.- MICHAEL, GRADE 10</i>		

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ALUMNI

Selected NCHS Class of 2016 - College Grads



Alumni Highlight

Dr. Teresa Rock, Class of 2011

Graduating from Newman Catholic Schools in 2011, Teresa Rock's journey has taken her on a path of adventure and professional success.

Teresa's post-Newman path began at the University of Wisconsin – Madison, graduating in 2015 with a Bachelor's of Science in Kinesiology and a concentration in Global Health. Teresa's next step in her journey took her to Bangor, Maine where she received her Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Husson University, Class of 2019. While in Physical Therapy school, Teresa and a group of friends started a boxing-focused exercise class as a therapy option for individuals with Parkinson's.

Bangor, Maine brought with it more than an opportunity to further her education. While there, Teresa was able to get out and enjoy all of God's gifts. An avid outdoor enthusiast, Teresa, with her partner, Eric, were able to get out and enjoy hiking, cycling, canoeing, and snowboarding. She sat on the board of the local bike and pedestrian committee, working to make Bangor a more pedestrian and bike friendly place.

Most recently, Teresa and Eric's journey took them to Vientiane, Laos. Eric, a graduate of Wausau West, was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship for Research. The scholarship allowed the couple to explore Southeast Asia and fully immerse themselves in Laotian culture. Unfortunately, their time in Laos was cut short due to COVID-19, forcing them to move back to the states unexpectedly. This sudden change in plans won't temper their desire for adventure. Their next move is back to Maine so Eric can finish his last semester of school and Teresa will seek a physical therapy position.



Around the world and back, Teresa Rock's path has taken her far from the halls of Newman Catholic Schools, but professional success, adventure and a desire to embrace a well-balanced life is the journey she will continue to travel.

L to R: Emma Stanke - College of St. Benedict, Marne Boehm - Viterbo University, Chloe Hattenhauer - U of W - Madison, Justin Damask - The Catholic University of America, Dane Fronck - Concordia University, Taylor Jankowski - U of W - Oshkosh, Brogan Kimball - Marquette University, Karina McGucken - U of W - Madison, Katherine Schneider - Iowa State University, Noah Szmada - U of W - Madison, Jason Tubbs - U of W - Milwaukee



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OCTOBER 2020

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<i>I love NCS because we have super awesome teachers.- ELI, GRADE 4</i>				1	2	3 National SAT Testing
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11	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 No School Regional Inservice	24 National ACT Testing
25	26	27	28	29	30 No School - 4K WSD / DCE	31 No School Staff Development
Trunk or Treat			No School - 4K WSD	No School - 4K WSD 1st Quarter Ends	No School Staff Development	Halloween

*Note calendar events are subject to change

Save the Date - November 12, 2020



Mark your
Calendar



THE 2020 WINTER WONDERLAND
VIRTUAL MASQUERADE AUCTION

Silent Auction Bidding & Raffle Sales Run 11/4 - 11/14

LIVE AUCTION - Thursday, November 12
6:30 - 7:30pm



NOVEMBER 2020

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1 All Saints Day Daylight Savings Time Ends	2	3 Election Day	4 Virtual Winter Wonderland Online Auction Opens	5	6	7 National SAT Testing
8	9 No School - 4K DCE	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 Virtual Winter Wonderland Live Auction	13	14 Virtual Winter Wonderland Online Auction Closes
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 No School	27	28
29	30			Thanksgiving Day		
First Sunday of Advent				Whenever I go to school, I am happy because I can see my friends, be with great teachers, and have fun. - KATE, GRADE 6		

*Note calendar events are subject to change

NCES: St. Anne

Grades 3 - 5

Thursday, December 10 - 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

K - Grade 2

Tuesday, December 15 - 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

NCES: St. Mark

PK - 1st Grade

Thursday, December 3 - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Tuesday, December 8 - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

NCECC: St. Michael

Monday, December 7

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

NCECC: St. Therese

Friday, December 4

3:00 PM

NC Middle/High School

Wednesday, December 9

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM



TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS CONCERTS



ALL ARE WELCOME!



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<i>As a working single parent, there is a comfort in sending my children to Newman that they are in a setting/culture that nurtures their relationship with Jesus and teaches how that relationship can look in the real world with the relationships they have with their family and friends. - TIM, PARENT</i>		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception	9	10	11	12  Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe National ACT Testing
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Last Day of Classes	23	24	25 	26
27	28	29	30	31		
Christmas Break						

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LOCAL • SERVICE



St. Mark
Clearing the Hydrants



St. Anne
Leaf Raking



St. Mark - Giving Store



National Honor Society
Serving at the Jubilee House



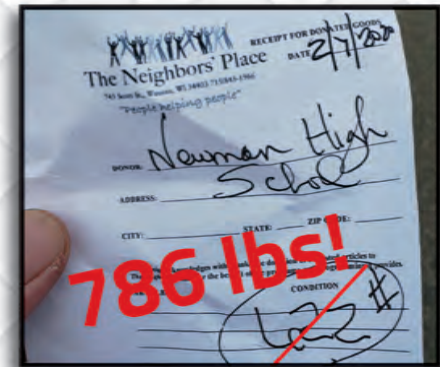
St. Anne
Christmas Food Donations



NCBS
Bell Ringing



NCBS Boys Basketball
Filling backpacks for
Blessings in a Backpack



NCBS
The Neighbors' Place Food
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St. Mark
Singing for Copperleaf Residents

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					1 Final Day of Christmas Vacation New Year's Day	2
3 <i>I love Newman Catholic Schools because I love doing all of our artwork projects! - Abigail, GRADE 2</i>	4 Classes Resume	5	6 	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 No School - 4K WSD 2nd Quarter Ends	16
17	18 No School - 4K WSD No School - Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday	19 Inservice	20	21	22 No School - 4K DCE	23
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CATHOLIC • SCHOOLS • WEEK



We are one in faith...We are one in prayer...We are one in Christ.




Each year, Newman Catholic Schools joins schools across the nation in celebration of Catholic Schools Week; a week in which our Catholic youth are able to grow in faith, spirit and community. Activities throughout the week will be designed around the theme "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." Celebrating Catholic Schools Week reminds us of our responsibility to take charge of our faith education; we are to embrace the knowledge offered, selflessly serve those in need, be a leader within our faith community and strive to succeed. Throughout the week, students will celebrate in prayer through service projects and activities designed to strengthen and deepen their relationship with God.

Daily Themes:

- Sunday – Celebrating Your Parish*
- Monday – Celebrating Your Community*
- Tuesday – Celebrating Your Students*
- Wednesday – Celebrating the Nation*
- Thursday – Celebrating Vocations*
- Friday – Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Volunteers*
- Saturday – Celebrating Families*

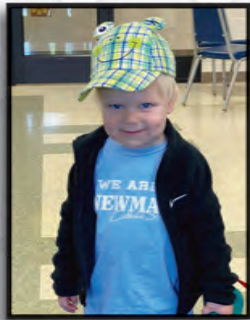
Catholic Schools Week: January 31 – February 6, 2021



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			Catholic Schools Week					
			All Schools Mass		National ACT Testing			
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					Lincoln's Birthday			
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 Valentine's Day	No School 							
					No School - 4K WSD			
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Saint John Henry Newman - Birthday		Washington's Birthday			No School - 4K DCE			
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<i>I love Newman Catholic Schools because we have religion and we have Mass every Wednesday. -Kinsley, GRADE 4</i>								

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OUR • YOUNGEST • CARDINALS



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14 	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19 No School - 4K WSD 3rd Quarter Ends	20 First Day of Spring
21	22	23	24	25	26 No School - 4K DCE	27
28	29	30 No School - Spring Break	31	<hr style="border: 1px solid red; width: 100%;"/> <p><i>I like Newman Catholic Schools because I learn a lot there, especially reading. I love to read.- CHLOE, GRADE 3</i></p>		

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ELEMENTARY • STUDENTS



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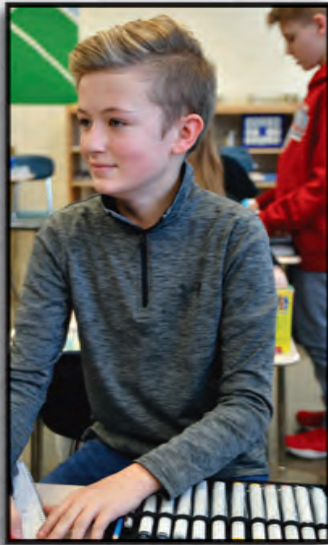
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<p><i>My favorite part about going to NCMS is being supported by all the teachers to do my best and be the best person I can be. - ISAAC, GRADE 9</i></p>				1	2	3
				<p>Spring Break</p>  <p>April Fool's Day</p>	 <p>No School</p>	
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 <p>Easter</p>	<p>Easter Monday Possible Weather Make-Up Day</p> <p>No School</p>	Classes Resume				Cabin Fever
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						National ACT Testing
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MIDDLE • SCHOOL • STUDENTS



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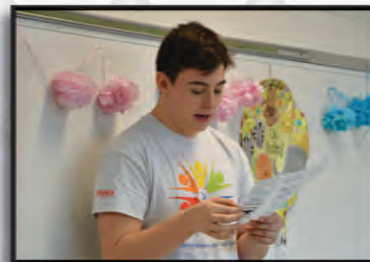
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9 	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Founder's Day	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Class of 2021 Baccalaureate Mass	27	28  Class of 2021 Graduation No School - 4K WSD	29
30	31  No School					

The teachers at Newman are more than just teachers, they do what they do because they love to teach. - NORAH, GRADE 10

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HIGH • SCHOOL • STUDENTS



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		Last Preschool Day	Last WSD Day - 4K	4th Quarter Ends Last K - 12 Day	Last DCE Day - 4K	National SAT Testing
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						National ACT Testing
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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				<p><i>My favorite part about school is I have an awesome teacher. Also I like Science. Also I have a great principal. I like my friends too!</i> JORDAN, GRADE 4</p>		

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SIXTY • YEARS • OF • ALUMNI

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<p><i>The academic excellence and high expectations set by Newman prepares its student for whichever path they choose after high school. The faculty and staff believe in their students and challenge them to succeed at their highest level. - HEATHER, PARENT</i></p>				1	2	3
4  Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16  Swingfest	17 National ACT Testing
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The end of the 2019-2020 school year found Newman Catholic Schools, like many businesses, in a unique financial situation due to the statewide closures. The system's primary financial goal was to ensure employees would continue receiving full pay while schools remained closed.

The first area of need to focus on was finding support for the system's early childcare facilities at St. Michael and St. Therese, essential businesses during the closure. It was necessary to ensure employees could remain employed with operations functioning as normal. Goals made difficult due to an over 50% withdrawal rate of students as families began to stay home. Student withdrawals equated to a decrease in income, increasing the difficulty of keeping the doors open. Thanks to the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin's Community Response Fund, both facilities were able to secure \$10,000 in grants to assist in covering costs of increased cleaning protocols, food service programs, and personal protective equipment (PPE). Receipt of these funds relieved stress on the budget which was needed to cover payroll expenses.

With funding for the early childcare facilities secured, the system was able to focus on ensuring all other employees received pay while schools remained closed. To fulfill this need, Newman Catholic Schools took direction from the Diocese of La Crosse to apply for a loan through the Cares Act Paycheck Protection Program. The PPP loans are forgivable as long as the business meets all employee retention criteria and the funds are used for eligible expenses. Newman Catholic Schools is pleased to state that all requirements of these loans have been met.

Though the end of the 2019-2020 school year offered unforeseeable difficulties, the system is poised to enter the 2020-2021 school year in a position of strength. Through dedicated work by the Finance and Advancement Departments, the system has been able to uncover over \$450,000 in unrestricted donations that will allow the system to improve technology needs throughout the system. In support of remote learning needs, SMART Boards are being upgraded, audio/visual and document cameras are being installed, and faculty will receive laptops. These improvements ensure remote learning can be facilitated if the need arises again. Newman Catholic Schools is also going through a migration to system-wide use of the G-Suites platform through Google. A universal approach to delivery of materials ensures a unified approach to delivery of Catholic education whether in-person or remotely.

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Jerry Duginske, Newman High School Class of 1960, was born on Lincoln's birthday to a farm family in the town of Weston. One of eight children, the importance of hard work and a strong education was instilled in him from an early age. Jerry attended a rural, one-room red brick school house through 6th grade before moving to St. Therese for 7th and 8th grade. At St. Therese, Jerry first met his wife, Karen, which was the beginning of their long, happy life together. Karen is the daughter of James and Emily Murkowski of Rothschild. She attended high school and college at Divine Savior in Milwaukee.

Receiving a quality education was very important to Jerry's parents, choosing to send six of their eight children on to Newman High School. Jerry is eternally grateful for this decision for he credits success in life to the educational foundation he received at Newman. Besides receiving a strong education, he built lasting relationships, especially on the football field. As he states, "the best thing that happened to him was finding football." Being on the team taught him discipline, leadership and a desire to succeed, and without it, college would not have been possible. Coach Mike McMahon believed so strongly in a group of four football players, Jerry included, that he helped them develop their skills and worked with his contacts

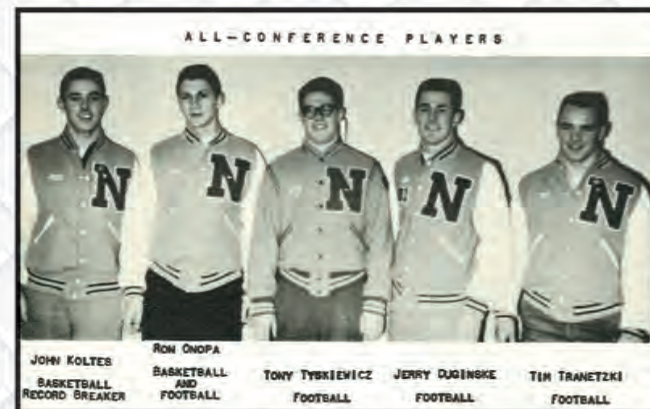
to help these players earn full football scholarships. Coach McMahon's dedication to his players ensured Jerry could move on to receive his college degree.

Jerry completed his undergraduate work in Economics at Northern Michigan University. After completing his undergraduate, Jerry began his 16 year career with Chrysler. A period in which he was promoted seven times, three of which to executive positions. Jerry received his Masters of Business Administration from Central Michigan University in the Detroit area and then attended the University of Detroit to work on his Masters in Economics. While at the University of Detroit, he taught at the Chrysler institute. Upon leaving Chrysler, Jerry became a Purchasing and Materials Manager with General Electric in New Jersey.



Jerry is quick to share that he would not have found success in life were it not for the education and opportunities available to him at Newman High School. To ensure future generations are afforded the same opportunities, Jerry has been an annual supporter of the Newman Cardinal Fund for 25 years and is a member of the Cardinal Club. He began donating to the system in honor of his parents and his late brother, Dr. Denis Duginske, who received his Doctorate from the University of Chicago. He continues to support annually to help students build a strong foundation for a successful future.

Newman Catholic Schools is blessed to have Jerry and Karen Duginske's support and for their continued belief in Catholic education.



STRATEGIC • PLANNING • UPDATE

Thank you to all who participated in Newman Catholic Schools' Strategic Planning efforts. Over the past three years, the system has journeyed through a comprehensive planning effort that has come to its completion.

In early 2017, the Strategic Planning process began under the guidance of Partners In Mission. A partnership that defined the planning approach and laid the groundwork for a collaborative strategic planning process that engaged key NCS stakeholder groups. The goal of the process, to develop a comprehensive plan through the gathering of input from voices throughout the system; parishes and pastoral leadership, faculty and staff, students, parents, alumni and community partners.

Efforts began by identifying key domains to drive the conversations – Academics/Curriculum, Advancement/Alumni/Communications, Enrollment/Admissions/Marketing, Facilities, Finance, Mission/Catholic Identity, Student Life/Co-Curriculum, and Technology. Domain leaders were called and chosen to lead these crucial planning efforts. Each domain area was analyzed through a survey and interview process which led to the creation of detailed assessments. The domain assessments were then pulled together into a larger narrative that was used to drive the brainstorming and critical thinking sessions at the Strategic Planning Weekend Retreat. Over 40 people worked together to draft strategic goals to be achieved. Development of the goals allowed the domain committees to align quantifiable objectives.

Once goals and objectives were written, the plan was presented to key supporting groups to garner feedback. Listening sessions were held with parents, community members and local parish councils. Pastoral leadership, faculty, staff and system administration were also engaged to ensure their input would help drive the final editing processes.

As Newman Catholic Schools' Strategic Plan is formally rolled out, the primary focus is the active sharing of the system's mission, vision, goals and objectives which will drive the next five years. Marketing materials are in development to be released this summer. Implementation will be led by school leadership with continued support from the domain leaders.

Release of the Strategic Plan is an exciting step as the system looks to the future. A future that is full of possibilities for all within the Newman family!

Strategic Plan Timeline:

- Contract with Partners in Mission (PIM): 06 March 2017
- Soft Launch: 06 June 2017
- Leadership Cultivated: 06 June – 05 September 2017
- Hard Launch: 06 September 2017
- Domain Membership Recruitment and Work: 07 September 2017- 30 June 2018
- Brief / Update to Bishop Callahan: 02 December 2018
- Parish Pastoral Council Engagement: Fall 2018 (Continuous)
- Steering Committee Report Published: 14 November 2018
- SWOT Analysis and Surveys Conducted: 14 November – 07 December 2018
- Weekend Retreat at St. Anthony Spirituality Center: 14-15 December 2018
- General Listening Sessions: 12, 14 March and 16 May 2019
- Pastoral Council Listening Sessions: 25 April 2019
- Objectives defined in support of Goals: 30 June 2019
- Mission statement: 15 July 2019
- Newman In-Service review and revisions: 21 January 2020
- Domain Chair review/revisions: 12 March 2020
- Final Reviews completed: 13 July 2020

Update provided by Rick Svenes – Steering Committee Chair

WINTERWONDERLAND • AUCTION

\$249,954 RAISED ~ 125% OF THE GOAL!

Blessed! Blessed is the only word that can describe Newman Catholic Schools after witnessing the outpouring of love and generosity offered at the 32nd Winter Wonderland benefit auction. Newman, once again, surpassed its goal proving that our supporters will go above and beyond to help the students, faculty and staff of Newman Catholic Schools.

Profits from Winter Wonderland support the system's operating budget and help bridge the gap between tuition costs and the true costs of educating each student. Of the \$249,954 raised, \$72,050 will directly support curriculum improvement efforts by purchasing instructional materials. Hardcover and digital materials are being purchased to support the early childhood programs, K-8 Math, K-5 Social Studies, 6-8 English, 10th grade Biology, and AP Spanish.

Our deepest gratitude goes out to the 2019 event sponsors, volunteers and donors who helped ensure Winter Wonderland was a success. To have the support of many local businesses and families is truly a blessing and proof that our community is devoted to the education of our youth. As everyone came together to create a successful event, the system proves once again that, "We Are Newman." With our deepest gratitude...thank you all!



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Please Consider Donating in Support of Our Mission...

Newman Catholic Schools promotes Catholic Faith, service and academic excellence to cultivate a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to become lifelong learners.

Every dollar donated to the Newman Cardinal Fund directly supports the students, faculty and staff of Newman Catholic Schools. Tuition costs each year do not cover the true cost of educating a student so the system relies on successful fundraising campaigns to fulfill its mission. Without the generosity of many, NCS would not be able to make the improvements necessary to ensure students benefit from:

**INVESTING IN THE STUDENTS' FUTURES MEANS
INVESTING IN THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW**

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Curriculum Improvements



St. Anne Parish - Wausau
Rev. Thomas Lindner



Mary Mother of Good Help,
Wausau
Rev. Alan Burkhardt



Thank You for Your Generous Support

As Newman Catholic Schools embraces its new mission, "Newman Catholic Schools promotes Catholic Faith, service and academic excellence to cultivate a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to become lifelong learners and disciples", we are blessed to do so with the support of our Catholic community. The system cannot succeed in fulfilling this mission without the guidance of our pastoral leadership and our larger parish family. The system is blessed to have the support of many who believe in the importance of offering Catholic education to the youth of our community.



St. Matthew - Wausau
Rev. Robert Thorn



St. Mark Parish - Schofield
Rev. Allan Slowiak

The students, families, faculty and staff of Newman Catholic Schools would like to say thank you for the selfless support and dedication offered to us by our supporting parishes. Through your sacrifice and support, Catholic education continues to be an option for our youth. An educational option that focuses on academic excellence embraced by the Catholic faith. We are one in Christ and one in our desire to support the youth of our Catholic community. Your support is a blessing!



Holy Name of Jesus Parish - Wausau
Rev. Samuel Martin



St. Therese Parish - Rothschild
Rev. Albert Joseph Saleth



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Rev. Msgr. Mark Pierce &
Rev. Joseph Richards,
NCMS/HS Chaplain

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