

Dianne's Blessings

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

Dianne's Blessings Medal for Pius X Students

Scholarship winners are selected annually by Pius X and funded from donations made to the Dianne Sizemore Scholarship Foundation (managed by Pius X Foundation). Two \$500 scholarships assist with high school tuition.

2016: Zainab Arkafaji

"Pius has had such a great and important impact on my life. I have wonderful teachers who push me to do my best and I have grown in my faith profoundly." Zainab volunteers at Catholic Social Services and El Centro de Las Americas and plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

2016: Jennifer Robb

"I often do try my hardest to volunteer my time and get involved with the activities at the church. I also volunteer my time for Animal Ambassadors, and other events in the community." Jennifer plans to study Culinary Arts.

2017: Mary Nguyen

"I love to volunteer and help others whenever I can. Specifically, I love to volunteer at our church. I hope to study to become a neurosurgeon."

2018: Winners to be announced summer 2018

Dianne Sizemore Scholarship for Grand Island Central Catholic Students

Scholarship winners are selected annually by Grand Island Central Catholic and funded from donations made to the Dianne Sizemore Scholarship Foundation (managed by Grand Island Central Catholic Foundation). In 2016-2018, a \$1000 scholarship was awarded on a needs basis. Beginning in 2019, a Dianne's Blessings medal with a \$1000 scholarship will be awarded toward college tuition.

2016: Tuition assistance winner determined based on needs

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2018: Winners to be announced summer 2018

Dianne's Blessings Medal for St. Joseph Catholic Church Senior Active in the God Teen Program

Dianne's Blessings medal winners are selected annually by Saint Joseph Catholic Church Administration and funded from donations made to the Dianne Sizemore Scholarship Foundation (managed by Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska). Dianne's Blessings medal and \$500 tuition scholarship awarded to a high school senior active in St. Joseph God Teen Program, living out their faith by serving others.

2017: Anonymous

2018: Winners to be announced Spring 2018

Dianne's Blessings Medal for Newman Center Students

Dianne's Blessings medal winners selected annually by Newman Center Senior Pastor and awarded to university students actively participating in Newman Center or Focus Programs. Two \$1000 scholarships awarded annually from donations made to the Dianne Sizemore Scholarship Foundation (managed by Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska).

2018:

Nadia Intan

"During my involvement with the UNL Newman Center in the last two years, I found that my faith and love for Jesus have experienced enormous growth. I always remember a beautiful and powerful Indonesian phrase: 'Gusti Tuhan ora sare,' which literally translates into 'Lord God never sleep' in English. Through you and this award, I experienced God's kindness and love. I hope that I can extend your kindness to those around me, so that others can also see the face of Christ and His love and kindness through me."

Marcus Schneider

"I have always had a strong desire to help people in whatever I do. I believe that by loving one another through acts of service, we are able to exemplify the type of service-oriented love Christ calls us to through the Corporal Works of Mercy. A mission trip to Kingston, Jamaica to volunteer at an orphanage was a life changing event. Her (Dianne's) example is one that I will strive to imitate."

Christina Sullivan

"Volunteering at the Munroe Meyer Institute for Recreational Therapy taught me the true value of 'Love one another' ('As I have loved you, so you must love one another'). I work with special needs children and provide them a fun summer camp experience. It has taught me that every person, no matter how different they may appear to be on the outside, all are created in God's image. Learning about Dianne touched my heart. I learned that I need to live my life with joy and faith. I am truly grateful for receiving this scholarship."

Elizabeth Foley

"I strive to live out this commandment that Jesus gives us practically throughout the big and small tasks placed before me. I so strongly believe that if we all passionately believed in St. Mother Teresa's quote in 'doing small things with great love,' we could change the world. I have started reading Dianne's Blessings and have felt inspired by the joy-filled and self-sacrificing life she lived, despite her suffering. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me."