Dear Pastor or Pastoral Leader,

One of your parishioners has applied for the Catholic Scholars Program in the Christ the Teacher Institute which is a part of the Sheil Catholic Center at Northwestern University. The Institute awards scholarships, for students who want to integrate their academic lives at Northwestern with their growth in faith and spiritual maturity. You can find more information about the program on the Sheil website at http://www.sheil.northwestern.edu/christ_the_teacher/catholic_scholars_program.html. Please help this student by filling out this recommendation form or writing a letter of recommendation covering these items and sending it to me at m-deeley@u.northwestern.edu. You may also request that the recommendation be sent in a word document. The letter may also be mailed to me at the Institute. The student will not be shown your recommendation. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
Mary Deeley
Pastoral Associate and Director of Christ the Teacher Institute

Student’s Name: ____________________________________________________________

Recommender Name and Position: ____________________________________________

Phone Number __________________ Email________________________________________

How well and in what capacity you know the student:
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Please comment on the following attributes of the student you are recommending…

1. Commitment to the Catholic tradition:
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2. Involvement in the parish/Campus Ministry:
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3. Demonstrated Leadership or Leadership potential:
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4. Willingness and ability to handle the requirements of the program:

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How do you rate the student’s faith commitment and leadership potential in relation to other high school seniors/young adults you know (for example, “about average,” “one of the best,” top 20 percent”)?

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Signature/Date________________________________________________________