

CONTEST RULES & GUIDELINES



RULES

1. Children grades K-12 enrolled in a Catholic school, religious education program, parish, or other organization, including homeschool, are eligible to enter. Entries will be judged on content, ability to capture and interpret the theme, artistic and technical proficiency, and adherence to rules.*
2. Every school, religious education program, parish, or other organization is asked to conduct its own contest and submit the top winner from each grade and creative category.**
3. All works must be original, prepared by the registrant***, and not previously presented at any other competition.
4. A final judging panel will be selected by Family Rosary.
5. Entries may be in English, Spanish, or Portuguese.
6. Each entry must be accompanied by an official entry form. Copies of the entry form are permitted.

All prizes need not be awarded.

*For more information on judging each creative work, visit FamilyRosary.org/TryPrayer.

**See Frequently Asked Questions numbers five and seven for more information.

***Students may receive help, guidance, and advice from teachers and parents on mechanical aspects of their entry.

GUIDELINES

1. PROSE – Submit an essay of 50 to 250 words on 8.5-by-11-inch paper.
2. POETRY – On 8.5-by-11-inch paper, submit a poem of a minimum of 10 lines and a maximum of 30 lines. Poetry may rhyme or be written in free verse.
3. ARTWORK – (painting, drawing, scrapbooking, or collage) Any of these mediums can be submitted on no larger than 8.5-by-11-inch paper. Also, include a brief description of the work.
4. VIDEO – Videos may be no longer than two minutes. Ensure the file is saved and uploaded as an .MP4, .MOV, or .MPEG format and in Standard Definition.
5. Formal consent must be signed by a parent or guardian of every student involved.

Do you have another creative category idea not listed here? We encourage you to think outside the box, but ask your parent, teacher, or leader permission before you pursue your creative idea!

**ALL ENTRIES DUE:
MAY 31, 2026**

