

2023



STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

THREE CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED PER DIVISION

High School

1ST PLACE PRIZE: \$1,000

2ND PLACE PRIZE: \$700

3RD PLACE PRIZE: \$250

Middle School

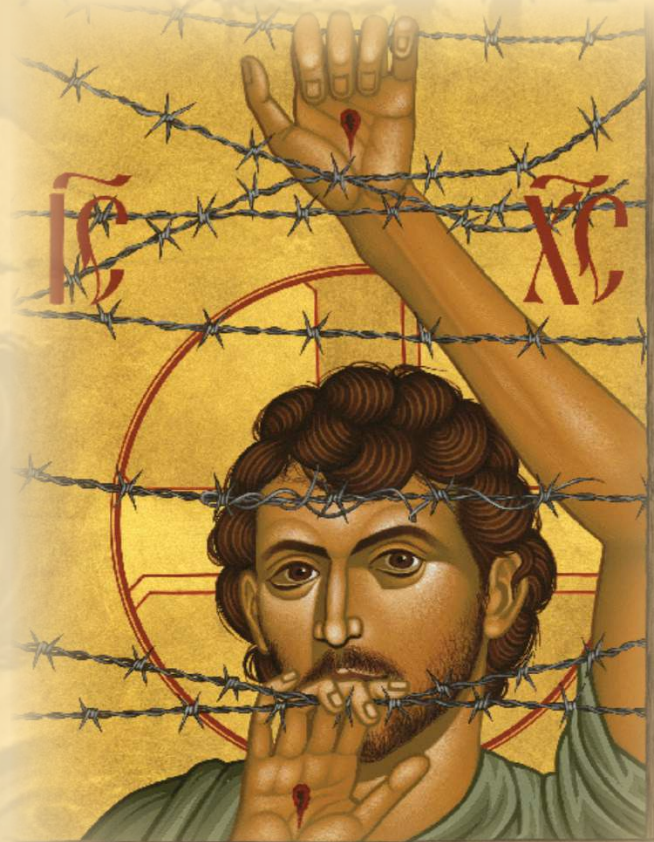
1ST PLACE PRIZE: \$500

2ND PLACE PRIZE: \$300

3RD PLACE PRIZE: \$150

ASSIGNMENT: Jesus teaches us to love our enemies and to pray for those who persecute us. How can we, as followers of Jesus, stand up for peace and against the growing violence in our country? Write an essay responding to that question.

(entry form on page two)



ENTRY: Entries should be 500–750 words. Essays should include your name and division typed on each page. Note: Spelling and grammar count. Students may 1) submit essays and the entry form page online at MaryknollSociety.org/Essay (if 13 or older) OR 2) mail essays to the address below. Mailed essays should be typed and stapled, each attached to an ENTRY FORM PAGE (available at MaryknollSociety.org/Essay). Essays will not be accepted without an entry form.

ELIGIBILITY: Students in grades 6–8 (Division I) and grades 9–12 (Division II) who are currently enrolled in a **Catholic school or Catholic religious education program** are eli-

gible. See MaryknollSociety.org/Essay for official rules.

DEADLINE: Entries must be submitted online or post-marked by **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023**. First-place essays will appear in the summer 2024 Maryknoll magazine. All winning entries will be published online at MaryknollSociety.org/Winners by April 15, 2024.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call 1-914-570-4118 or email Walter Hidalgo at whidalgo@maryknoll.org for more information. For more educational and catechetical resources, please visit:

<https://discoveryourneighbor.org/>.

ENTRY FORM

DUPLICATE FOR EACH STUDENT

2023 MARYKNOLL STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

MAIL TO:

2023 Student Essay Contest, Division _____,
P.O. Box 302, Maryknoll, NY 10545-0302

Student's Name _____ Grade _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Telephone () _____

Teacher's/Catechist's name and e-mail _____

Contestant / Entrant (or parent or guardian if under the age of 18) must go online to read the Official Rules at <https://maryknollsociety.org/official-rules/> and then either sign the Consent Agreement online or if entering by mail, must sign and return the Consent Agreement below. Unsigned Forms will not be considered

CONSENT AGREEMENT

The contestant or entrant ("Entrant") who is signing this agreement or whose parent or guardian is signing this agreement affirms that they have read the Official Rules, which are located at <https://maryknollsociety.org/official-rules/agrees> and that they agree to the terms, conditions and agreements set forth above in the Official Rules and attests to the age of the Entrant. The Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, Inc. (a.k.a., Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers) and its affiliated entities (collectively, "Maryknoll") may use the Entrant's Essay and record the appearance, image, likeness and voice of the Entrant on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph or in any other medium and may publish the same in any form of publication, including but not limited to print, electronic, video, social media or the internet. I authorize the reproduction, distribution or public display of such material by any means on a royalty-free, worldwide basis and waive any right that the Entrant may have to monetary compensation or to inspect or approve the finished product or the uses made of the end product. I have read and fully understand the above. If for a child (an Entrant who is younger than 18), I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the Entrant. By signing below, I agree to the above terms and conditions.

Signed:

Entrant (only if 18 or older)

Parent/Legal Guardian (if Entrant is under the age of 18)

Dated: _____