



NATIONAL APOSTOLATE OF MARONITES
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EPARCHY OF ST. MARON OF BROOKLYN
EPARCHY OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

NAM Vocations Awareness Contest Winners – 2015

Essays

Grades K-1 I love God because

1st Place: Paul Habchy, Our Lady of Mercy, Worcester, MA

2nd Place: Jenna Chaoul, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, VA

3rd Place: Samantha Yago, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, VA

Grades 2-3 My Church is special because

1st Place: Olivia Sheehan, St. Louis Gonzaga, Utica, NY

2nd Place: Serena Aslou, Heart of Jesus, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

3rd Place: Diana Haddad, Heart of Jesus, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Grades 4-6 Imagine your conversation with God

1st Place: Vanessa Lahoud, Heart of Jesus, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

2nd Place: Dominic Khoury, St. John Maron, Williamsville, NY

3rd Place: Mia Kamel, Our Lady of Lebanon, Washington, D.C.

Grades 7-9 Describe the ideal priest or nun

1st Place: Maroun Harb, St. George, San Antonio, TX

2nd Place: Rita Richa, St. Rafka, Livonia, MI

3rd Place: Roxanne Sawyer, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, VA

Grades 10-12 If your best friend decided to become a priest or a nun, what would you tell him/her?

1st Place: Mark Elhallal, Our Lady of Lebanon, Washington, D.C.

2nd Place: NO ENTRY

3rd Place: NO ENTRY



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Posters

Grades K-1 Genesis 1:1 “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth”

- 1st Place: Cid Guerrero, St. Michael the Archangel, Fayetteville, NC
2nd Place: Marie-Belle Kassouf, Our Lady of Victory, Carnegie, PA
3rd Place: Samantha Martinez, St. George, San Antonio, TX

Grades 2-3 Philippians 4:13 “I can do all things through him who gives me strength”

- 1st Place: Lexie Filipe St. Anthony of the Desert Fall River, MA
2nd Place: Maya Atallah St. John Maron Williamsville, NY
3rd Place: Vivian Nohra St. Maron Youngstown, OH

Grades 4-6 Proverbs 3:5 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your understanding”

- 1st Place: Dean Martinez, St. George, San Antonio, TX
2nd Place: Olivia Bean, St. Joseph, Olean, NY
3rd Place: Jessamyn Guerrero, St. Michael the Archangel, Fayetteville, NC

Grades 7-9 Luke 5:1-11 Jesus’ call to Peter

- 1st Place: Sophie Hallal, Our Lady of Lebanon, Washington, D.C.
2nd Place: Sophia Moran, St. John Maron, Williamsville, NY
3rd Place: Pamela Khoury, St. John Maron, Williamsville, NY

Grades 10-12 Matthew 28:19 “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”

- 1st Place: NO ENTRY
2nd Place: NO ENTRY
3rd Place: NO ENTRY

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Power Point or Video Presentation

Grades 7-12 Compose a 3-5 minute production of either: What is a Maronite? Or Choose and present the life of a Saint (i.e. Rafka, Hardini, Sharbel, Maron, Stephen)

- 1st Place: Jake Guerrero, St. Michael the Archangel, Fayetteville, NV
2nd Place: Brandon Torbay, Our Lady of Lebanon, Washington. D.C.
3rd Place: NO ENTRY



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Vocation Awareness Contest Statistics- 2015

Eparchy of St. Maron – 14 parishes

Heart of Jesus, Fort Lauderdale, FL	9 posters, 4 essays = 13 entries 3 winners
Our Lady of the Cedars, Jamaica Plain, MA	1 essay = 1 entry
Our Lady of Lebanon, Washington, D.C.	2 posters, 10 essays, 1 multimedia = 13 entries 4 winners
Our Lady of Lebanon, Waterbury, CT	1 poster = 1 entry
Our Lady of Mercy, Worcester, MA	2 essays = 2 entries 1 winner
Our Lady of Purgatory, New Bedford, MA	1 essay = 1 entry
Our Lady of Victory, Carnegie, PA	3 posters = 3 entries 1 winner
St. Anthony, Glen Allen, VA	15 essays = 15 entries 3 winners
St. Anthony of the Desert, Fall River, MA	5 posters, 1 essay = 6 entries 1 winner
St. John Maron, Buffalo, NY	7 posters, 4 essays = 11 entries 4 winners
St. Joseph, Olean, NY	4 posters = 4 entries 1 winner
St. Louis Gonzaga, Utica, NY	3 essays = 3 entries 1 winner
St. Michael Archangel, Fayetteville, NC	2 posters, 1 multimedia = 3 entries 3 winners

Total: 41 essays, 2 multimedia & 33 posters = 76 entries, 22 winners

Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon – 5 parishes

St. Elias, Birmingham, AL	5 posters, 1 essay = 6 entries
St. George, San Antonio, TX	4 essays, 9 posters = 13 entries 3 winners
St. Maron, Minneapolis, MN	2 essay, 3 posters = 5 entries
St. Maron, Youngstown, OH	1 essay, 26 posters = 27 entries 1 winner
St. Rafka, Livonia, MI	2 essays = 2 entries 1 winner

Total: 10 essays, 41 posters = 51 entries, 5 winners

Grand Total: 51 essays, 2 multimedia & 74 posters = 127 entries, 27 winners