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EPARCHY OF ST. MARON OF BROOKLYN
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NAM Vocations Awareness Contest Winners – 2012

Essays

Grades K-1 I love God because....

- 1st Place: Marella Massamiri, St. Ephrem, El Cajon, California
2nd Place: Connie Yesbeck, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, Virginia
3rd Place: Sloan Householder, st. Anthony, Glenn Allen, Virginia

Grades 2-3 My Church is special because....

- 1st Place: Kaitlyn Alhaddad, Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral, Brooklyn, New York
2nd Place: Josie Carraway, St. George, San Antonio, Texas
3rd Place: Elio El-Hachem, Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon, Jamaica Plain, Massachussets

Grades 4-6 Imagine your conversation with God.

- 1st Place: Amy Mourani, Blessed John Paul II Mission, White Plains, New York
2nd Place: Ava Gibrall, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, Virginia
3rd Place: Roxanne Sawyer, St. Anthony, Glen Allen, Virginia

Grades 7-9 Describe the ideal priest or nun.

- 1st Place: Fidelle El-Asmar, Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral, Brooklyn, New York
2nd Place: Maya Massamiri, St. Ephrem, El Cajon, California
3rd Place: La'France G. Heyward, St. Ephrem, El Cajon, California

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

No Entries



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Posters

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

- 1st Place: Gabe M..., St. Ephrem, El Cajon, California
2nd Place: Mary Beth Portzer, St. Elias, Roanoke, Virginia
3rd Place: Chloe El-Hachem, Our Lady of the Cedars, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts

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

- 1st Place: Jackie Torlai, St. Maron, Torrington, Connecticut
2nd Place: Ella Mourani, Blessed John Paul II Mission, White Plains, New York
3rd Place: Tommy Brittain, St. George, San Antonio, Texas

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

- 1st Place: Marissa Carney, St. Anthony of the Desert, Fall River, Massachusetts
2nd Place: Kayla Kaleel, St. Jude, Murray, Utah
3rd Place: Marc Judy, St. Maron, Youngstown, Ohio

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

- 1st Place: Cassandra Dablain, St. Maron, Torrington, Connecticut
2nd Place: Philip Massamiri, St. Ephrem, El Cajon, California
3rd Place: Stephen Torlai, St. Maron, Torrington, Connecticut

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”

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Multimedia

Power Point or Video presentation

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)

Grades 7-9

- 1st Place: Yuri Nesen, Blessed John Paul II Mission, White Plains, New York
2nd Place: Paul Nassif, Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts
3rd Place: Rylee Kaleel, St. Jude, Murray, Utah

Grades 10-12

- 1st Place: Gaielle Harb, St. George, San Antonio, Texas



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NAM Vocation Awareness Contest Statistics- 2012

Eparchy of St. Maron, Brooklyn - 10 parishes

Blessed John Paul II Mission, White Plains, NY	5 essays, 3 posters, 3 multimedia, =11 entries, 3 winners
Our Lady of the Cedars, Jamaica Plain, MA	4 essays, 3 posters, 1 multimedia = 8 entries, 3 winners
Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral, Brooklyn, NY	4 essays, 1 poster = 5 entries, 2 winner
St. Anthony, Glen Allen, VA	12 essays, 1 multimedia = 13 entries, 3 winners
St. Anthony of the Desert, Fall River, MA	2 essays, 2 posters = 4 entries, 1 winner
St. Elias, Birmingham, AL	4 essays, 3 posters = 7 entries
St. Elias, Roanoke, VA	1 essay, 2 posters = 3 entries, 1 winner
St. George, Lincoln, RI	1 essay, 2 posters = 3 entries
St. John Maron, Williamsville, NY	3 posters = 3 entries
St. Maron, Torrington, CT	6 posters = 6 entries, 3 winners

Total: 31 essays, 4 multimedia & 22 posters = 57 entries, 16 winners

Eparchy of OLL, Los Angeles - 6 parishes

St. Elias, Birmingham, AL	2 essays, 2 posters = 4 entries
St. Ephrem, El Cajon, CA	6 essays, 12 posters = 18 entries, 5 winners
St. George, San Antonio, TX	3 essays, 8 posters, 1 multimedia = 12 entries, 3 winners
St. Jude, Murray, UT	1 multimedia, 8 posters = 9 entries, 3 winners
St. Maron, Minneapolis, MN	1 essay, 4 posters = 5 entries
St. Maron, Youngstown, OH	2 essays, 9 posters = 11 entries, 1 winner

Total: 16 essays, 2 multimedia & 42 posters = 60 entries, 16 winners

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Grand Total: 48 essays, 6 multimedia & 64 posters = 118 entries

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