

## ‘PATRIS CORDE – WITH A FATHER’S HEART’ SCHOOLS VOCATION COMPETITION 2021

### Rules

1. The competition is open to any pupil in a school of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (whether Voluntary Aided, under a different Trust Deed, part of a MAC or Independent).
2. Each pupil may make a maximum of one entry.
3. An entry must consist of the following:
  - a) an image (a photo or scan) of the Saint Joseph artwork;
  - b) the entrant’s name in full, year group and school details.
4. The artwork can be created using **any medium** (including photography or digital art); it may be of any size and may be in colour or monochrome. The image **may** depict Saint Joseph **but does not need to**; it **may** also depict Jesus, Mary or others. The image **may not** include any written words.
5. We would encourage schools and/or entrants’ parents/guardians to share entries on social media, using the hashtag **#PatrisCorde**. The Diocesan Vocations Office can be tagged with **@AskInvitePray on Twitter**, and **@BirminghamVocations on Facebook**. Note that this does not constitute an entry to the competition; all entries must be submitted as #6.
6. Each school should, by using their own judgement based on the criteria set out in #9, first do an initial round of judging, and send only their **best three entries** (in no particular order) to [office@vocations.org.uk](mailto:office@vocations.org.uk), including each student’s name and year group, and the school details.
7. Entries sent directly by a pupil or parent/guardian will not be accepted; all entries must come via a school.
8. Entries must be received by the end of Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. No entry received after this time will be accepted.
9. For judging, entries will be split into two age categories, based on a pupil’s school year group: Primary (up to and including Year 6) and Secondary (Year 7 upwards).



10. Entries will be judged on:
  - a) how clearly the artwork depicts or links to Saint Joseph;
  - b) how well the image conveys a theme of vocation;
  - c) how inspirational the image is.
11. The three judges will receive anonymised copies of the artwork to score.
12. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
13. One winner and one runner-up for each age category will be announced on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021.
14. The prizes will be:
  - a) For the Primary age category winner – a 145 piece professional art set;
  - b) For the Secondary age category winner – 104 piece all-media easel set;
  - c) For Primary age category runner-up – a junior artist's colouring & painting set;
  - d) For Secondary age category runner-up – a sketching set;
  - e) For the winners' schools – a handmade icon of the Holy Family;
  - f) For the runners-ups' schools – an icon of Saint Joseph.
15. Initially, we will publicise the winners on social media and via diocesan communications with a picture of the entry, the pupil's Christian name, initial of surname, year group and school details (e.g. Peter A., Year 6, St. Mary's Somewhere).
16. Following the announcement, we will contact the winners' school to make arrangements for presentation of the prizes and to gain permissions for further publicity.
17. The Diocesan Vocations Office reserves the right to alter the prizes or announcement date for situations beyond our control.