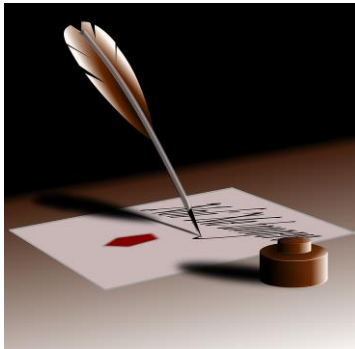




KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA NATIONAL ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION 2018



This competition is open to young people 12 to 18 years of age in secondary education. Why not give it a try? – Provincial and National Prizes for best winning entries. Last year two Peterborough altar servers won Provincial and National prizes. Check the report on the Diocesan website under latest news – www.rcdea.org.uk

To create fairness, there are two separate age groups for judging, i.e:
1) School Year Groups: 7, 8 and 9. 2) School Year Groups: 10, 11, 12.

Your essay will be on a theme of your own choice but it should express an appreciation of faith awareness, social responsibility and requirements of good citizenship. It should have a minimum of 1,400 and a maximum of 1,600 words, typed or handwritten in ink.

The criteria observed in judging entries will be:
a - Comprehensive linking of the basic elements expressed in the essay.
b - Composition skills.
c - Correct use of the English language.

The Awards after Provincial judging in each age group will be:

First Prize – Provincial Certificate and £5.00
Second Prize – Provincial Certificate and £3.00
Third Prize – Provincial Certificate and £2.00

The National Awards after final judging will be:

Overall Winner: Engraved Trophy. (Held by the school or individual for approximately one year.)

Group Winners : Certificate signed by the Supreme Knight. Cash Prize of £75:00.
Group Runners Up : Certificate signed by the Supreme Knight. Cash Prize of £50:00.
Group Third Places: Certificate signed by the Supreme Knight. Cash Prize of £25:00.

A donation of £200 will be made to the school/parish attended by the overall winner.
Note: The overall winner will be the better winning entry of Groups 1 and 2 combined.

*The following detail should be **printed** on the reverse of each entry:*
Name of entrant. Age of entrant. School Year Group. Name & Address of School / Parish
and signed off by School Teacher, Group Leader or Parish Priest.

Entries should be sent direct to me, Bro. Christopher J. Brooks, Past Provincial Grand Knight, 356 London Road South, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR33 0BQ, email: christopherbrooks631@gmail.com to arrive before Friday 7th September 2018. It would be helpful if you plan to participate to contact me in the first instance Tel. (01502) . Best wishes for a good composition.