

## 'My CATHOLIC School'

### National Poetry Competition for Catholic Schools



#### What is it all about?

Pupils are proud of their school but don't often get the opportunity to let others know why! 'My Catholic School' is a national competition that invites pupils in Catholic schools in Scotland to showcase their school through the medium of poetry.

The winners will have their poems published on the prestigious University of Glasgow's Catholic Education blog, 'The Cloisters' (<https://thecloisters.blog>) the aim of which is to stimulate reflection, discussion and scholarship in the field of Catholic Education and Catholic Religious Education both in Scotland and further afield.

## **National Competition! Get involved!**

The St Andrew's Foundation Student Pastoral Planning Team invite school pupils to compose a poem that tells others about their Catholic school.

There are five age categories:

P1-3; P4-5; P6-7; S1-3; S4-6

### **How will the posters be judged?**

Poems will be judged on:

- Creativity - appeal to the senses and help the judges 'experience' your school through your poem
- Content – try to focus on a few key aspects rather than trying to cover everything
- Catholic – make sure you highlight the faith dimension of your school!
- Communication – is it well-presented and communicated in an engaging way?

There will be **two winners** in each age category and the winning poems will be posted on *The Cloisters* blog.

### **How do I enter?**

Please send entries to:

**My Catholic School Poetry Competition**  
**Ogilvie Room**  
**St Andrew's Building**  
**University of Glasgow**  
**11 Eldon Street**  
**G3 6NH**

Please group entries from particular stages together.

**\*\*\*\*\* CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING ENTRIES: Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 \*\*\*\*\***

Entries should be no longer than one side of an A4 page, and the original work of individual pupils.

Can be any type of poetry,

On the back of each entry please write:

Full name of the pupil

Class/Year (clearly state if primary or secondary)

Name and town of school

**Winners will be announced on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March and the winning poems will be posted on the 'Cloisters Blog' in the two weeks after Easter. The winners' schools will be contacted by email.**

### **What is the prize?**

Winner's poems will be published on *The Cloisters Blog*!

### **Contact**

Any questions about this competition, please contact: [The St Andrew's Foundation](#)

### **Social Media**

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