

All Catholic students in 8th Grade at St. Matthew Parish and St. Henry Parish are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. Prize money will be awarded! **\$150 for 1st Place, \$100 for 2nd Place, and \$50 for 3rd Place.** The top entry will be forwarded to the Knight's Regional Essay Competition.

Students are asked to write an essay on the following theme:

The office of the papacy was established by Jesus Christ nearly 2,000 years ago when He chose St. Peter to lead His Church on earth. In an essay of 500-750 words, out of the 267 popes that have led the Catholic Church, who are your three favorite popes and why?

Essays and completed Entry Forms must be submitted to the Knights of Columbus mailbox at the St. Henry Church office -or- via e-mail before Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

e-mail your Essay and Entry Form to:

kofc12012@gmail.com

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COMMUNITY

CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST in the division checked below.
I realize that my entry becomes property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office.

Name of Entrant _____ Date of Birth _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone (Circle one: Home Cell) _____ Email _____ Signature of Entrant _____

This Section To Be Completed By Parent/Guardian:

Council No. 12012

The undersigned hereby request and approve the Entrant's registration and participation in the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST. In consideration of such registration and participation, the undersigned hereby agree to hold the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and any of its subordinate units and their officers, members, agents and employees, blameless and without liability, and hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless all of the above mentioned from any and all claims and expenses resulting from or relating to Entrant's said participation. Parent or guardian must sign this form before entrant competes.

Parent/Guardian _____

Date signed _____

Which Parish? (circle) ST. HENRY ST. MATTHEW