

2025 Mission Writing Contest

When have you been a Good Samaritan* and gone out of your way to help someone in need? How does being a Good Samaritan help the Church in her mission of spreading God's love?

**Hint: read the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) for help with your essay!*

There are four divisions from which winners will be selected:

Division I, Grades K-2: Complete the phrase, *"I was a Good Samaritan when..."* and draw a picture illustrating your answer.

Division II, Grades 3-5: Write an essay up to 250 words, answering the question above. Must be typed or neatly printed.

Division III, Grades 6-8: Write an essay up to 500 words, answering the question above. Must be typed.

Division IV, Grades 9-12: Write an essay up to 500 words, answering the question above. Must be typed.

Entries will be judged for their creativity, originality, organization, spelling and communication effectiveness.

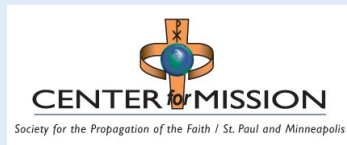
Prizes for winners! Divisions I & II: \$50/each. Divisions III & IV: \$100/each

Submission Requirements: All entries must be on 8.5 x 11 paper and include name, grade, Catholic school and/or parish name and city. Submit entries by regular mail or email with Word document attached. Entries accepted **February 3—March 7, 2025.**

Entries must be postmarked or received by **March 7, 2025.** Winners will be notified the **week of April 15, 2025.**

All submissions become the property of the Center for Mission.

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"But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them..." (Luke 10:33-34)