



2019-20 Diocese of London Youth Creative Activation

Bishop Fabbro and the Diocese of London Pastoral Services Team are pleased to promote a new opportunity for grades 4 – 12 students.

“Dare To Be Different”

Background

In the post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation, *Christus Vivit*, Pope Francis instructs us:

“All should regard us as friends and neighbours, like the apostles, who ‘enjoyed the good will of all the people’ (Acts 2:47; cf. 4:21.33; 5:13). Yet at the same time we must ***dare to be different***, to point to ideals other than those of this world, testifying to the beauty of generosity, service, purity, perseverance, forgiveness, fidelity to our personal vocation, prayer, the pursuit of justice and the common good, love for the poor, and social friendship.”

The Holy Father communicates very specific ways young people—and in fact all Catholic Christians—are called to live in order to be credible reflections of Jesus’ love in the world. This way of living is described by Pope Francis as “Intentional Discipleship.”

The Diocese of London is inviting young people in grades 4 – 12 to help us explore and communicate—through literature, film, or visual art—how we are called to move forward as ***Intentional Disciples***.

Inspiration and Content

For your consideration when preparing your composition, we are pleased to direct you to Bishop Fabbro’s invitation to the Year of Prayer for our Diocesan Family, and the five-part information series describing Mission Oriented Parishes and Intentional Discipleship:

Year of Prayer Handout, Pentecost 2019

- [English](#) version
- [French](#) version

Family of Parishes info series

- Part 1: [The Vision / La vision](#)
- Part 2: [Equipping the Saints / Equipper les saints](#)
- Part 3: [Bumps, Bruises and Blessings / Bosses, bleus et bénédictions](#)
- Part 4: [Mission-Oriented Parishes / Des paroisses axées sur la mission](#)
- Part 5: [The Role of the Faithful / Le rôle des fidèles](#)

Please see the next page for more information, including submission guides and forms.

Submission Guidelines and Forms

The contest is open to all students in grades 4 – 12 within the geographic area of the Diocese of London.

Participants are asked to submit a **2-minute** video (please see submission form for details) that communicates how Pope Francis' "Dare to Be Different" leads to greater peace and hope for ourselves and our world.

The submission deadline is March 11th, 2020.

Submission forms can be downloaded at <https://dol.ca/dare-to-be-different>

Prizes

First Place Secondary School, individual or group submission:	\$250.00 Best Buy Gift Card
Second Place Secondary School, individual or group submission:	\$150.00 Best Buy Gift Card
Third Prize Secondary, individual or group submission:	\$100.00 Best Buy Gift Card

First Place Elementary School, individual or group submission:	\$250.00 Best Buy Gift Card
Second Place Elementary School, individual or group submission:	\$150.00 Best Buy Gift Card
Third Place Elementary School, individual or group submission:	\$100.00 Best Buy Gift Card

The winners will be announced prior to Catholic Education Week, May 3 – May 8, 2020. Prizes are awarded for a group or individual submission in each category.

Assessment Criteria

Submissions will be considered and assessed based on the following elements:

- Originality of Work – Consider: Exhibits creativity, approach to Intentional Discipleship that reflects awareness of current culture
- Craftsmanship – Consider: Skill of use of material or medium
- Presentation – Consider: Submission presented in a meaningful and pleasing manner
- Relevancy – Consider: Does the submission accurately reflect the Holy Father's call to Dare to Be Different

For More Information

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