

# ***“The Family Fully Alive” Student Contest***



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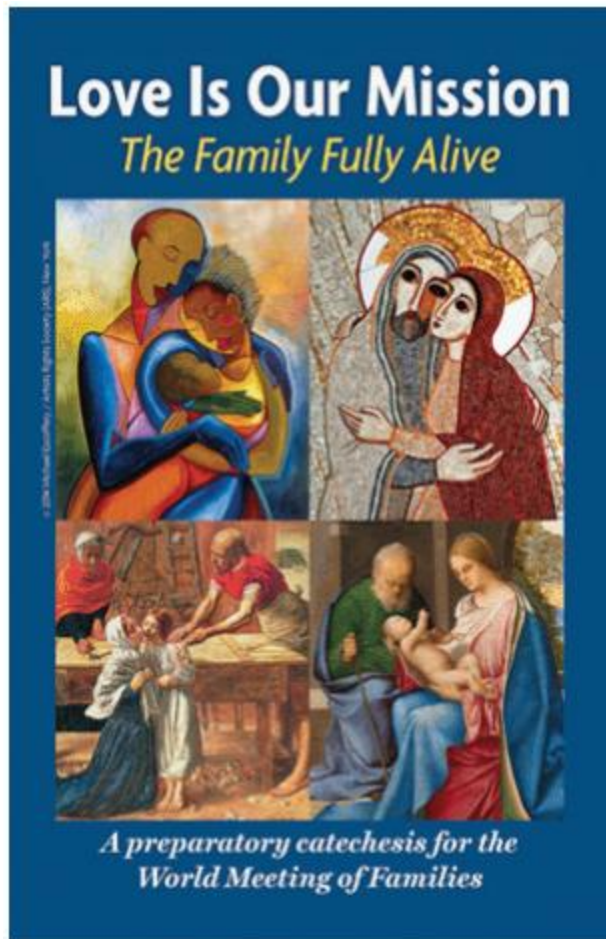
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# Love is Our Mission

## The Family Fully Alive



World Meeting of Families  
Preparatory Catechesis

Available in English and  
Spanish

Elementary School & High  
School Lesson Plans:

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/about-the-event/catechesis/>



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# Purpose for contest

The purpose of this contest is threefold:

- ▶ 1–To answer + Bishop Bradley's priority #1: **Strengthen the Domestic Church.**
- ▶ 2–To support Catholic schools, religious education, and faith formation (in the home).
- ▶ 3–To prepare disciples for the VIII WMF (World Meeting of Families) in 2015.



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# HOW?

- ▶ +Bishop Paul Bradley is inviting students in grades 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, to present their artistic interpretation of the theme:  
***“The Family Fully Alive”***
- ▶ Any student in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>, is invited to take part in ***“The Family Fully Alive”*** Student Contest.
- ▶ In collaboration with the Michigan Knights of Columbus



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# How is my *family fully alive* in the faith?

This is a chance for young people to be creative as they respond to a most important question in our time.



*“Keep the joy of loving God in your heart and share this joy with all you meet especially your family. Be holy – let us pray.”*

*~ Mother Teresa of Calcutta*



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# Domestic Church website

[www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch)

Timeline for contest:  
September 15<sup>th</sup> to  
December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014



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# Publicity – bilingual flyer

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## Student Art, Writing, Music and Video Contest

### ***“The Family Fully Alive”***

The Diocese of Kalamazoo in collaboration with the Michigan Knights of Columbus, invite students grades 4th—12th to submit original art, prose, poetry, musical compositions and videos; all reflecting the theme “The Family Fully Alive”.



The work should display their God-given gifts and convey how we are called to live out our mission to love and to honor our little Domestic church (our family).



\*We will accept works from local students in Catholic schools and public schools (who attend faith-formation catechetical classes).\*

For complete contest rules visit:  
[www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch) or write us at  
[domesticchurch@dioceseofkalamazoo.org](mailto:domesticchurch@dioceseofkalamazoo.org)



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Secretariado para Vida Pároquial & Liderazgo Laico  
presenta el





## Concurso Estudiantil de Arte, Escritura, Música y Video

### ***“La familia llena de vida”***

La Diócesis de Kalamazoo en colaboración con los Caballeros de Colón de Michigan, invita estudiantes de grados 4 a 12 a enviar arte, composiciones, poemas, composiciones musicales y videos; reflejando el tema “La familia llena de vida”.



La obra debe mostrar sus dones dados por Dios y comunicar que somos llamados a vivir nuestra misión de amar y honrar nuestra pequeña iglesia doméstica (nuestra familia) .



\*Aceptaremos obras de estudiantes en escuelas Católicas y escuelas publicas (que asisten a clases de formación en la Fe y catecismo).\*


Para ver las reglas completas del concurso visite:  
[www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org) o escribanos al  
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# Invitation and Contest details



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To: Pastors, Principals and Directors of Religious Education  
From: Secretariat for Parish Life & Lay Leadership – Domestic Church  
Socorro Truchan, Associate Director (269) 903-0199  
Date: August 30, 2014  
Re: **“The Family Fully Alive” Student Art, Writing, Music and Video Contest**  
Website for complete contest rules: [www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch)


Attached you will find guidelines for **“The Family Fully Alive” Student Contest**. We hope that you will encourage students at home, in your schools and religious education programs in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> to participate in celebrating *the family fully alive*, as we strengthen our **Domestic Church** (our home) in the Diocese of Kalamazoo.

We also encourage you to participate by holding your own **“The Family Fully Alive”** contest at your respective parish or school. If you use this contest as a class or school activity from **September 15<sup>th</sup> to December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014** (*in thanksgiving for families*), you can help us out in the judging process by selecting **only your top two entries in each category** and sending them to the address specified in the guidelines. The rest may be displayed in classrooms or hallways, and be celebrated during the entire school year.

We hope this contest is a way for students and their families to learn about and share the *mission to love* as God created us from the beginning. Details on **“The Family Fully Alive”** contest, may be found at [www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch)


Thank you for your time and attention!

**The Family Fully Alive Student Contest**  
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Kalamazoo, MI 49007



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**Grades 4-8:** Submit a poem (up to 30 lines), an essay of 150-500 words, either clearly handwritten or typed (double-spaced, 12 point font, and 1 inch margins). Submit art or music or video. On the back of the page, print your name, age, school - including city, phone number, as well as the name of your teacher. Submit official Kalamazoo Diocese cover letter (one per entry).

**Grades 9-12:** Submit a poem (up to 30 lines), an essay of 250-500 words, typed, double-spaced, 12 point font and 1 inch margins. Submit art or music or video (as per the criteria). On the back of the page, print your name, age, school including city, phone number, as well as the name of your teacher. Submit official Kalamazoo Diocese cover letter (one per entry).

For complete contest rules visit the website at: [www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/domesticchurch) or e-mail: [domesticchurch@dioceseofkalamazoo.org](mailto:domesticchurch@dioceseofkalamazoo.org) All entries: art, poems, essays, music, songs and videos must be **postmarked no later than December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014**, and sent to:

**“The Family Fully Alive” Student Contest**  
Secretariat for Parish Life & Lay leadership  
Diocese of Kalamazoo  
215 N. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

**IMPORTANT\*\*\*** Student Contest winners will be announced on – **Holy Family Radio** (91.5 FM and 89.7 FM and 1140 AM) and published in a 2015 issue of **The Good News**. The winning art, writing, music/song, and video will also be published in **The Good News** Catholic newspaper. In addition, Holy Family Radio will feature the winners on a special broadcast.



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# Criteria for submissions

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# Criteria and cover sheet for all entries

## Art, Writing, Music & Video Student Contest Criteria "The Family Fully Alive"<sup>1</sup>

How is my family fully alive in the faith? Take time to celebrate your family!

### Prose/Poetry

Must be submitted with OFFICIAL cover sheet

Must be typed or word processed.

Each entry cannot include reference to student or school name.

Prose must be 150 words to no more than 500 words in length.

Word count must be noted on cover sheet.

Poem must be no more than 30 lines. Line count must be included at end.

Must reflect genuine reflection on the theme, *The Family Fully Alive*, and constitute a thoughtful and creative response.

### Art

Must be submitted with OFFICIAL cover sheet

Must not be matted or framed.

May only be two-dimensional and must not exceed 12" by 18".

Must include fixatives so that works will not smudge or be altered by handling

Must include the artist's title of the work

May include photography, computer generated images, or may be in charcoal, pencil, watercolors, acrylics or oils. Please note all images whether computer, artist or photo generated, are considered property of the original artist.

*Renderings of other works will be disqualified.*

### Music/Songwriting/Video

Must be submitted as MP3 or DVD with OFFICIAL cover sheet

Must submit original music score for music

Must submit original music score and lyrics for song

All entries become the property of the Diocese of Kalamazoo. All artists are encouraged to retain a color copy of their work since the original may not be returned. The Diocese of Kalamazoo shall own all the rights to all the entries, including copyrights and may publish the entries, in whole, or in part.

Your school's winning essay(s)/poem(s)/artwork/music/song/video(s) must be submitted or postmarked by December 15th, 2014 and mailed to:

**"The Family Fully Alive" Student Contest**  
Diocese of Kalamazoo  
215 Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007-3760

<sup>1</sup> Student Contest Checklist

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**"THE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE"**  
ART, WRITING, MUSIC & VIDEO CONTEST  
*Official cover sheet*

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School or Parish name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Word or line count: \_\_\_\_\_ MP3 included for music: YES \_\_\_\_\_

DVD included for music and/or video entry: YES \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher or Pastor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Complete one form per student entry, and return or mail this form postmarked by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, with student contest entry to the attention of:

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