



Try Prayer! It Works! 2011 Contest

Speak, Lord; your servant is listening!

"The Lord speaks to us in mysterious ways." How often have you heard that expression? Many times, I'm sure! But how true that saying is. Can you imagine how mystifying it must have been when the angel Gabriel spoke to Mary and told her of God's plan?

This year, the theme of the Try Prayer! It Works! Contest is "Speak, Lord; your servant is listening!" The Annunciation teaches us that we must be prepared to accept heavenly direction – no matter how unusual it may seem. When God speaks to us today, are we ready to listen? Will we accept his guidance in our lives and do as he directs? Can we follow the path that he leads us along? How do you comply with God's wishes?

It is so important for us to pay attention when the Holy Spirit speaks to us. We must listen intently to the message and then do what is asked to the best of our ability. Let's take the time in thoughtful prayer to open our hearts and minds so

we can move forward in the direction that is being laid out before us. "Speak, Lord; your servant is listening!"

Let Mary inspire your creativity in the form of artwork, a poem or an essay to show how you say "yes" to God when he calls to you. Good luck and God Bless!

Open to Grades K-12
\$100 US for each 1st place winner
\$200 US to sponsor of each
1st place winner



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Contest Rules

Children in Grades K-12 enrolled in a Catholic school, religious education program, parish or other organization, including home school, are eligible to enter. Entries will be judged on content, ability to capture and interpret the theme, artistic and technical proficiency, and adherence to rules. A judging panel will be selected by the President of Holy Cross Family Ministries. Entries may be in English or Spanish. Each entry must be accompanied by an official entry form. Copies of the entry form are permitted. All prizes need not be awarded.

Art

Any medium but no larger than 8 1/2 by 11 inches. Give a brief description.

Poetry

On 8 1/2-by-11-inch paper with a minimum of 10 lines and maximum of 30 lines.

Essay

Put essay of 50 to 100 words on 8 1/2-by-11-inch paper.

Entries Due
February 1, 2011!

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2011 Official Entry Form

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Please make photocopies of this form to use with additional entries.

This year, the theme of the Try Prayer! It Works! Contest is "Speak, Lord; your servant is listening!" The Annunciation teaches us that we must be prepared to accept heavenly direction. When God speaks to you, are you ready to accept his guidance and do as he asks? What does the Lord tell you in prayer about his plan for you? How do you do what God wants? Please use your creativity in the form of a poem, essay or artwork to show how you comply with God's wishes. Please staple this form to your entry.

Full Name of Entrant _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

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City _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code _____ Country _____

Diocese _____

School/Parish/Organization _____

Address _____

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School, Home School or Parish Telephone (include Area Code) _____

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Fill in only the appropriate category:

School/Teacher _____ Grade _____ Principal _____

Parish/Catechist _____ Level _____ DRE _____

As the (circle one) DRE, Principal, Teacher or Pastor of the entrant, I have reviewed the entry and confirm that it is his/her work.

Signature of Reviewer _____ Date _____

This is my work. You have the permission of myself and my parent/guardian to enter it in the Try Prayer! It Works! Contest and to reprint or use it in any promotional projects. I realize that it becomes the property of Holy Cross Family Ministries and cannot be returned.

Signature of Entrant _____ Date _____

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Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

I would like to receive your regular mailings about Holy Cross Family Ministries. Yes _____

Email of Parent or Guardian _____

All entries must be postmarked by Feb. 1, 2011!

Please return completed forms to:

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Questions?
For more information, call
800-299-PRAY or visit
www.hcfm.org/tryprayer.
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