

**2023 Pro Patria Essay Winners.....  
Congratulations!!!**

**Brother Steve Cresci #32, GFVP is  
pleased to announce the winners  
of this year's Pro Patria Essay Contest!**



<b>Grades 7-8</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$1000	Makayla Arca – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Angels Catholic School - Colma, CA
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$500	Isabella Pain-Reyes – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Good Shepherd Catholic School – Pacifica, CA
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$500	Francesca Manalastas - 8 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Angels Catholic School – Colma, CA
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$400	Katelyn Dunbar – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Family Catholic School – San Jose, CA
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Giuliana Magni – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sacred Heart Catholic School – Turlock, CA
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Joely Ladesma – 7 <sup>th</sup>	St. Robert Catholic School – San Bruno, CA
7 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Emmett Colline – 7 <sup>th</sup>	St. Robert Catholic School – San Bruno, CA
8 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Avery Goggins – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN
9 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Domenico Ferrario – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Cesar Chavez Middle School – Union City, CA
10 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Laura Lenny – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Good Shepherd Catholic School – Pacifica, CA
11 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Alyssa O'Connor – 7 <sup>th</sup>	St. Robert Catholic School – San Bruno, CA
12 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Jayden Cortez – 7 <sup>th</sup>	All Souls Catholic School - South San Francisco, CA
13 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Eli Brown – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN
14 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Vincent Gepieon – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Daly City, CA
15 <sup>th</sup>	\$100	Ethan Bihl – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN
<b>Grades 9-12</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$2000	Matt Blake – 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. Ignatius College Prep – San Francisco, CA
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$800	Kaylin Smith – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Cardinal Newman High School – Santa Rosa, CA
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$800	Megan Dunbar – 10 <sup>th</sup>	Notre Dame High School – San Jose, CA
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$600	Brett Brewer – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Novato High School - Novato, CA
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$500	Chloe Leotta – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Archbishop Riordan High School – San Francisco, CA
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$500	Maximilian Reese – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Archbishop Riordan High School – San Francisco, CA
7 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Makayla Means – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN
8 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Marcus Romero – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Cardinal Newman High School – Santa Rosa, CA
9 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Samantha Fenske – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Cardinal Newman High School – Santa Rosa, CA
10 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Izabella Chan – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Archbishop Riordan High School – San Francisco, CA
11 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Wyatt Ricci – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sacred Heart Cathedral High School – San Francisco, CA
12 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Sophia Coyner – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN
13 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Lauren Ryan – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Terra Nova High School – Pacifica, CA
14 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Melissa Hua – 12 <sup>th</sup>	St. Ignatius College Prep – San Francisco, CA
15 <sup>th</sup>	\$200	Destiny Arnold – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Seton Catholic High School – Richmond, IN