

Check off the following to make certain you have included all the necessary documentation.

- One letter of reference
- Proof of pro-life interest/involvement
- Typewritten essay
- Self-profile

Mail your completed application package to:

Father Ted Colleton Scholarship
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Toronto, ON M5B 1X9

FR. TED COLLETON: A SHORT BIOGRAPHY

There are many heroes and heroines in the struggle to win respect and gain protection for all human life especially for the most vulnerable beings among us. Father Edward (Ted) Colleton has been waging the good fight for more than six decades as he enters his 64th year as an ordained priest.

Father Ted was born in Dublin Ireland in 1913, the only boy in a family of five children. He joined the Spiritan Order in 1932 and was ordained in 1940. Shortly thereafter he was assigned to serve in Kenya, joyfully laboring there for 30 years until expelled in 1971 over a matter of principle on which he would not yield.

He was reassigned to Canada. Whereas the word abortion did not exist in the language of Kenya, in Canada Father Ted found a modern nation embarking on a dubious experiment to liberalize abortion services. Father Ted joined the pro-life movement to try and educate the public, and especially his beloved young people, about the growing disrespect for human life and the evil and tragedy of abortion for all those involved and harmed by this practice.

Father Ted has devoted more than 30 years to life issues here in Canada as a prolific writer, compelling speaker, gentle teacher, committed activist, and raconteur par excellence. He has spoken to hundreds of thousands of people of all ages, at banquets, annual meetings, youth and retreat groups, and in classrooms. He has been arrested and jailed for his witnessing against the evil of abortion laws or lack thereof.

Most importantly, Father Ted has been a true disciple of the Lord, a friend to people, compassionate and highly principled. He deeply believes that prayer is the most important action of human beings in winning the right to life for unborn generations present and to come.

One of Father Ted's favourite quotations is from Edmund Burke: "All evil needs to flourish is that good men do nothing." The many good young people in our society are instead asked to do something.

His life of Christian service, dedication to the needs of others, largesse of spirit, moral convictions, and witnessing to truth are worthy of emulation.

This Scholarship Program is intended to celebrate his lifetime of service to God's human family and to inspire young people to learn more about the cause so dear to his heart.

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The Interim

Nature and Purpose of the scholarship

To encourage young people to learn about pro-life issues, the pro-life movement and to become actively involved in its programs.

Value of scholarships

\$1500.00 first prize and \$500 second prize as determined by the selection committee, whose decision is final.

Number of recipients

Two students annually, following a writing contest sponsored by *The Interim* newspaper.

Eligibility for the scholarship

1. Be senior high school students (grade 11 or 12)
2. Give proof of interest/active involvement in "life issues" and/or the pro-life movement
3. Submit one letter of reference, from a school staff member or community representative
4. Submit a brief self-profile outlining participation in school life/community activities

The contest rules

Student must submit a typed three-page original essay, (approximately 800-1000 words in length) postmarked no later than **January 10, 2006** on the topic **"Life issues are at the heart of the culture wars."**

Administration of the scholarship program

The contest would be administered by a committee selected by the staff of *The Interim*.

Rights to essays submitted

Copyrights to any essay submitted for the purpose of the contest will be retained by *The Interim* newspaper. Any publication or other use of the work would be acknowledged by naming its author.



Helpful hints for the essay writing component

- a) Take the necessary time to do proper research. Do not leave it to the last minute.
- b) Write with passion, commitment and clarity.
- c) Write from a personal stance, citing your own insights.
- d) Follow the best writing practices, include a strong introduction, a substantial body that develops your main thesis or point of view, and a ringing conclusion.
- e) Consider the essay as an article to be worthy of publication in a national newspaper.

This may sound formidable, but it can be done by following the advice outlined above

Announcement of winning entry

Eligible essays would be assessed by the panel by the end of January 2006. The winners will be declared by March 1, 2006.

Ineligibility

Students related to employees or volunteers of *The Interim* or Campaign Life Coalition.

Students who have been employed by or volunteered for *The Interim* or Campaign Life Coalition.

FATHER TED COLLETON SCHOLARSHIP 2005-2006 APPLICATION FORM

(Please print or type all information)

Student's Surname _____

First name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

Prov. _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone # _____

E-mail _____

Secondary school (name) _____

Grade _____

School address _____

City _____

Prov. _____

Postal code _____

School phone _____

#E-mail _____

Name of Principal _____

Name of reference Tel _____

Applicant's signature _____

Date _____