

**FATHER TED COLLETON SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION FORM  
2020-2021**

*(Please print or type all information)*

Student's Name (last) \_\_\_\_\_

(first) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School (name) \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

School address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

School phone \_\_\_\_\_

#E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School Principal \_\_\_\_\_

Name of reference \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Helpful hints for the essay writing component are posted on [www.theinterim.ca](http://www.theinterim.ca)  
One can also find samples of previous winning essays on a variety of topics.

**Good luck!! Bon Chance!!**

**2019-2020  
Scholarship winners**



1st Chiara Fricano



2nd Gabrielle Vandergragt



3rd Nikole Wassenaar

**For 19 years, Niagara Region Right to Life has been organizing the Father Ted Colleton Scholarship program. The topics have varied over the years, but they have always challenged students to think more deeply about life issues and to write about them cogently. The prizes are awarded following an evaluation process conducted by a committee that assesses the essay-writing component. (Letters of reference and a demonstrated commitment to pro-life are also elements of the contest.)**

One of Fr. Ted's favourite quotations was that from Edmund Burke: *"All evil needs to flourish is that good men do nothing."* He always called on the good young people in our society to do something instead.

**The  
Father Ted Colleton  
Scholarship Program  
2020-2021**



Niagara Region Right to Life offers *The Father Ted Colleton Scholarship* essay contest as part of its mandate to reach out to society in an educational format. In particular, Niagara Region Right To Life wishes to help educate and inform the younger generations about the preciousness and possibilities of human life from conception to natural death and how certain threats affect those possibilities in its beginnings.



## FATHER TED COLLETON: AN INTRODUCTION

(for a fuller biographical summary go to [www.theinterim.ca](http://www.theinterim.ca))

- Father Edward (Ted) Colleton (b. 1913- d. 2011) promoted pro-life principles and values for almost seven decades.
- Born in Dublin, Ireland in 1913, he entered the Spiritan Order in 1932, was ordained a priest in 1940 and was assigned to serve in Kenya. Forced to leave that mission field in 1971, he was reassigned to Canada, a nation that was bent on liberalizing its abortion laws.
- He joined the pro-life movement and set about educating the public, especially his beloved young people, about the tragedy of abortion. For more than 35 years Father Ted was a compelling pro-life writer and speaker, gentle teacher, committed activist, and raconteur par excellence, communicating to hundreds of thousands of people. He was arrested and briefly jailed for his witnessing against the evil of abortion laws or lack thereof.
- Father Ted believed that prayer was the most important action of human beings in winning the right to life for unborn generations present and to come. He died peacefully on April 26, 2011. His life work inspires many far and wide.



## Scholarship Awards

As many as three prizes are offered: \$1500.00 first prize, \$800 second prize and \$500 third prize. A writing contest organized by Niagara Region Right to Life is a determining factor in the awarding of the scholarship prizes.

### Eligible candidates must:

- be senior high school students (grade 11 or 12) attending a high school (or be homeschooled) in Canada
- submit one letter of reference from a school staff member or community representative
- provide a brief self-profile outlining participation in school life/community activities and a description of their interest/involvement in the pro-life cause and
- the student must submit a typed original essay, approximately 1,200 words in length, accompanied by proper documentation/annotation of content presented. The essay plus other documents should be submitted preferably by email to [dirocco@theinterim.com](mailto:dirocco@theinterim.com) and if by regular mail it must be postmarked no later than Monday, December 2, 2019. *The essay theme or topic for this year's program is the following:*

**"Why has the womb, traditionally the safest place in the world, become the most dangerous, unprotected place in the world?"**

### Program: Rules and Regulations

This responsibility rests with a committee selected by Niagara Region Right To Life

Copyrights to any essay submitted for the purpose of the contest will be retained by Niagara Region Right To Life. Any publication or other use of the work would be acknowledged by naming its author.

Please note that prize winners are asked to provide a photo of themselves so it may accompany the publication of their essay.

**Students related to employees or volunteers of Niagara Region Right To Life are ineligible, as are previous prize winners in this scholarship program.**

## Announcement of winning entry

The winners will be declared by Monday, February 1, 2021 via an announcement by Niagara Region RTL. Criteria for the selection of winners include the quality of essays submitted. Lack of prior involvement in the pro-life movement does not disqualify the students from the scholarships.

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

- a) One letter of reference from teacher or community representative.
- b) Type-written essay (1,200 words) with proper citations.
- c) Self-profile outlining your leadership and involvement in your school, community and/or church.

For further information contact Dan Di Rocco, (416) 204-1687 ext 233 or email [dirocco@theinterim.com](mailto:dirocco@theinterim.com) or visit our website [www.niagararegionrighttolife.ca](http://www.niagararegionrighttolife.ca) or [www.theinterim.com](http://www.theinterim.com)

**You may send your completed application package by regular mail, with post mark no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2020 to:**  
Father Ted Colleton Scholarship  
157 Catherine St. N., 2nd Floor  
Hamilton, ON, L8L 4S4

Please note that in case of time constraints you may email the essay portion of your application and indeed your entire package to the attention of the program's coordinator at: [dirocco@theinterim.com](mailto:dirocco@theinterim.com) by midnight of December 1, 2020.

