



# 2026 Doodle For Charities

## Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving

Catholic Charities of Orange County is pleased to announce this year's theme for our Doodle for Charities art competition

**Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving**

### How it Works:

- Using the symbolic chapel & cross imagery featured in the Catholic Charities logo and the word "Charities," use your imagination to express the elements of Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving.
- Diocesan Catholic School students may use any art materials of their choice: pastels, colored pencils, watercolor, sharpie pens, digital art, you name it!
- All doodles need to be submitted with the Official Entry Form.
- The contest is open for entries starting **Friday, March 13th**. The deadline to submit will be **Friday, April 24th at 11:59 pm** (PDT). Entries will be judged in two categories: Middle School 5th grade - 8th grade, and High School 9th grade - 12th grade.

# Steps to Enter:

**(Scan the QR to access the Doodle for Charities Event Page)**

**1. Download the Official Entry Form** from the Doodle For Charities Event Page.



## **2. Create Your Doodle:**

- Refer to the official entry form for the CCOC logo imagery
- Feel free to use any art supplies of your choice (such as colored pencils, watercolors, digital art, or any other materials that spark your imagination)

## **3. Fill out the Official Entry Form:**

Fill out the required information and have a parent or legal guardian sign the form

### **Artist's Statement Questions** (see 2nd page of Entry Form):

- Tell us about what you have drawn
- How it represents the elements of Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving
- What Lent means to you

## **4. Submit:**

To be accepted, art must be submitted as a picture file (.png or .jpg)

- **Please name your file: FirstName\_LastName (Ex: John\_Smith.png)**

You may use one of the following methods to submit your entry:

- Take a picture of the artwork or scan it for better resolution
- If digital, save the art file as an attachment

**Email the Official Entry Form and your artwork as an attachment (.jpg or .png file) to [communications@ccoc.org](mailto:communications@ccoc.org)**

After submitting your entry online, please **drop off your original artwork to your school Principal's Office**, and we will make the arrangements to collect the physical copy from the school at a later time.



# Judging Criteria:

**Doodles will be judged using the following parameters:**

**1. Artistic Skill & Uniqueness**

**2. Creativity**

**3. Theme**

a. How well the theme “Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving” is expressed in both the artwork and the written statement

*A panel of Catholic Charities of Orange County executives will choose three finalists*

## Prizes & Perks:

*Prizes will be awarded for the two groups: Middle School 5th grade – 8th grade, and High School 9th grade – 12th grade.*

**1st place:**

- \$500 Cash

**2nd place:**

- \$300 Cash

**3rd place:**

- \$150 Cash

**All entries will be:**

- Added to the official Marketing & Communications portfolio of Catholic Charities of Orange County
- Featured in the Agency’s media outlets and corporate branding materials as assigned by Catholic Charities of Orange County

**Doodles that are not original works or contain logos or copyrighted imagery will be disqualified**

**One doodle entry per student -**

**Any additional Doodles will be disqualified**

