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Dear Pastor, Pastoral Staff, Bulletin Editor, RE Director, and School Principal,

The mission of the Saint Josephine Bakhita Ministry of Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Elk Grove is to honor and promote Black Catholic history and culture, including youth culture, and liturgy, while deepening relationships through fellowship and familial support. The ministry members serve as leaders and educators in parish life by sharing God-given gifts in ways that benefit all. For several years, the St. Josephine Bakhita Ministry sponsored a Music, Art, and Poetry contest, (MAP Contest). The contest aimed to showcase the artistic skills of youth and young adults through music, art, and poetry.

In June 2025, the Black Catholic Ministry Office became a sponsor of this event. In partnership with the St. Josephine Bakhita Ministry, the Black Catholic Ministry invite all diocesan youth and young adults (ages 13 – 25) to showcase their artistic skills at the 2026 Music, Art, and Poetry contest (MAP26 Contest).

This year's theme is "Imago Dei, Made in The Image of God". Participants are invited to express through music, art, or poetry what "Made in the image of God" means.

Youth and Young Adults, the world needs YOUR Music/Art/Poetry!
Register Now for MAP26!

The following awards will be given:

Three 1st place winners -\$300 each
Three 2nd place winners -\$200 each
Three 3rd place winners -\$100 each

The contest will be held on February 28, 2026 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Good Shepherd Parish, 9539 Racquet Ct., Elk Grove, CA 95758. Registration closes soon! See the attached flyer or go to <https://gscceg.org/blog/map>. For more information, contact Valerie Ramos, valerie.ramos@comcast.net

Please share with all the creatives!

Cc: MAP2026 Contest Image.jpeg
MAP2026 Contest Flyer.pdf

In Christ,

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MUSIC, ART AND POETRY

St. Josephine Bakhita Ministry
3rd Annual Talent Contest



MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD



1ST - \$300, 2ND - \$200, 3RD - \$100 IN EACH AGE CATEGORY 9 - TOTAL

2.28.2026

6 - 9 P.M. | GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH 9539 RACQUET CT,
ELK GROVE, CA 95758

Youth and Young Adults (13-25 y.o.), register now! Shine your light
through the arts!

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