

# 2023 editorial awards for publications of the National Religious Vocation Conference

## **VISION**

M584: Best Reporting on Vocations to Priesthood, Religious Life or Diaconate

Second Place Vocation Basics: Essentials for the vocation journey VISION Catholic Religious Vocation Discernment Guide, VISION and the National Religious Vocation Conference Starts with a vocations-thru-the-ages timeline and ends with graphic representations of where vocations can be found. What a fantastic resource. What's unique and special here is how clean and sparse the writing is and how sharp the layout is. You must have both elements, otherwise a project of this scale will never work. The images are nice too — and there are even quotes. It just keeps coming. Definitions, process, even related prayers. This is so well thought out, it clearly took a great deal of time and was developed by individuals with vast knowledge. Everyone in the Church should have access to this. It's like the perfect walkway and front door and parlor leading into a beautiful house.

Best Special Section

Honorable Mention Vocation Basics: Essentials for the vocation journey VISION Catholic Religious Vocation Discernment Guide, VISION and the National Religious Vocation Conference Engaging, helpful, succinct yet thorough resource.

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Third Place Cuatro pasos para el discernimiento vocacional VISION Catholic Religious Vocation Discernment Guide, VISION editors Very interesting and simple approach to vocations.

## **HORIZON**

M587: Best Book Review Section

Second Place Book notes Horizon, Journal of the Natl. Religious Vocation Conference, Sister Marcia Ziska, O.S.B.; Sister Susan Francois, C.S.J.P.; Sister Juliet Mousseau, R.S.C.J. A trio of sisters writing thoughtfully on topics that are largely philosophical, but also the lifeblood of the Church going forward — what do vocations mean and why are they important? Various topics are covered, including books to read with discerners, contemporary theology of vowed life and Black lives in our religious communities — but there is a clear common narrative thread and overarching theme. The reflections here are thoughtful and informed and all three women write well.

M598a: Best Writing — Analysis

Third Place “Sexual diversity—an evolving understanding” Horizon, Journal of the Natl. Religious Vocation Conference, Sister Lynn Levo, C.S.J. A well-organized analysis that helps readers learn about sexual diversity, understand key terms, and see how Church teachings relate to these evolving ideas.

M513f: Best Regular Column – Spiritual Life

Honorable Mention Feed your spirit Horizon, Journal of the Natl. Religious Vocation Conference, Carol Schuck Scheiber, Editor and Brother Timothy Smyth, C.F.C.

M545: Best Interview

Honorable Mention Can we let candidates bring their whole selves to community? Horizon, Journal of the Natl. Religious Vocation Conference, Father Joseph Brown, S.J. and Carol Schuck Scheiber

M575: Best Reporting on a Special Age Group

Honorable Mention Young adult realities Horizon, Journal of the Natl. Religious Vocation Conference, Sister Nicole Trahan, F.M.I.; Sister Lynn M. Levo, C.S.J.; Father David Songy, O.F.M. Cap.; Sister Ana Cecilia Montalvo, F.Sp.S.

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