

Composition Contest Francesco800

We invite composition students from PIMS to create a piece with the following characteristics:

- SATB mixed choir (no divisions), tenor soloist, assembly and organ optional
- Repetitions (a refrain) for the assembly are recommended
- Not less than 3 minutes, not more than 6 minutes
- The text of the Franciscan Prayer of Peace:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring love. Where there is offence, let me bring pardon. Where there is discord, let me bring union. Where there is error, let me bring truth.

Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.

Where there is despair, let me bring hope.

Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.

Where there is darkness, let me bring your light.

Prize and public performance

- The prize consists of 700 Euro
- The piece will be performed on 23 January 2026 during the Francesco800 Music and Mission conference in the Sala Accademica

Deadline and Jury:

- Submissions must be delivered to the PIMS secretariat (also digitally) no later than 20 September 2025 at 12:00 noon.
- The jury consists of the Rector, the Vice Rector, Maestro Manganelli, Marzilli and Balza
- Compositions will be presented to the jury anonymously

The outcome of the selection is final

P. Robert Mehlhart OP, Rector Rome, 1 April 2025