



# JUBILEE YEAR 2025



## ICON OF 'OUR LADY OF HOPE'

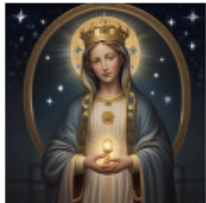
### What is an icon?

Icons are images which are used in prayer, they are intended to help us to focus our minds on God and all things Holy and to help to focus our prayer. They might also be used to help us to think about God, a Saint or a Bible story.

For this reason, icons have been called 'sacred doorways' or 'windows to heaven'.

### Examples of Icons

Rublev's Icon, which depicts the Holy Trinity



This is an icon of 'Our Lady of Hope', shown with stars all around her.

This is an icon created by CAFOD for the Jubilee. It might be a good idea to have a look at this with your chaplain or teacher on the CAFOD website.



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### What will the icons be used for?

Four icons will be chosen, framed and blessed by Bishop Patrick. They will be sent out from the St Thomas Aquinas Feast day Mass to travel around all of our schools and be used in hope-themed prayer.

### What do we need to do?

We need you to design an icon of 'Our Lady of Hope'. Here are the requirements:

- Your design must be portrait and on A4 or A3 paper, filling the whole sheet of paper.
- You need have 23 stars on your design, which represent the 23 schools in the Trust.
- Your design must feature Mary.
- Once complete, bring it into school to give it to your Teacher/Lay Chaplain - make sure your name is on the back.
- Make sure that either an adult at home or your Teacher/Chaplain has taken a photo and sent it to:  
**[jubilee@aquinas-cmat.org](mailto:jubilee@aquinas-cmat.org)**

***The deadline for all entries is Wednesday 16th December***

*Winning entrants will receive a certificate from Bishop Patrick at our Feast day Mass!*

Set on Sun 24 Nov

Due on Thu 12 Dec



## Task description

Dear Students,

Just a reminder of the creative homework that needs to be completed for Thursday.

The CMAT have launched a competition - please see instructions below and on the attached powerpoint.

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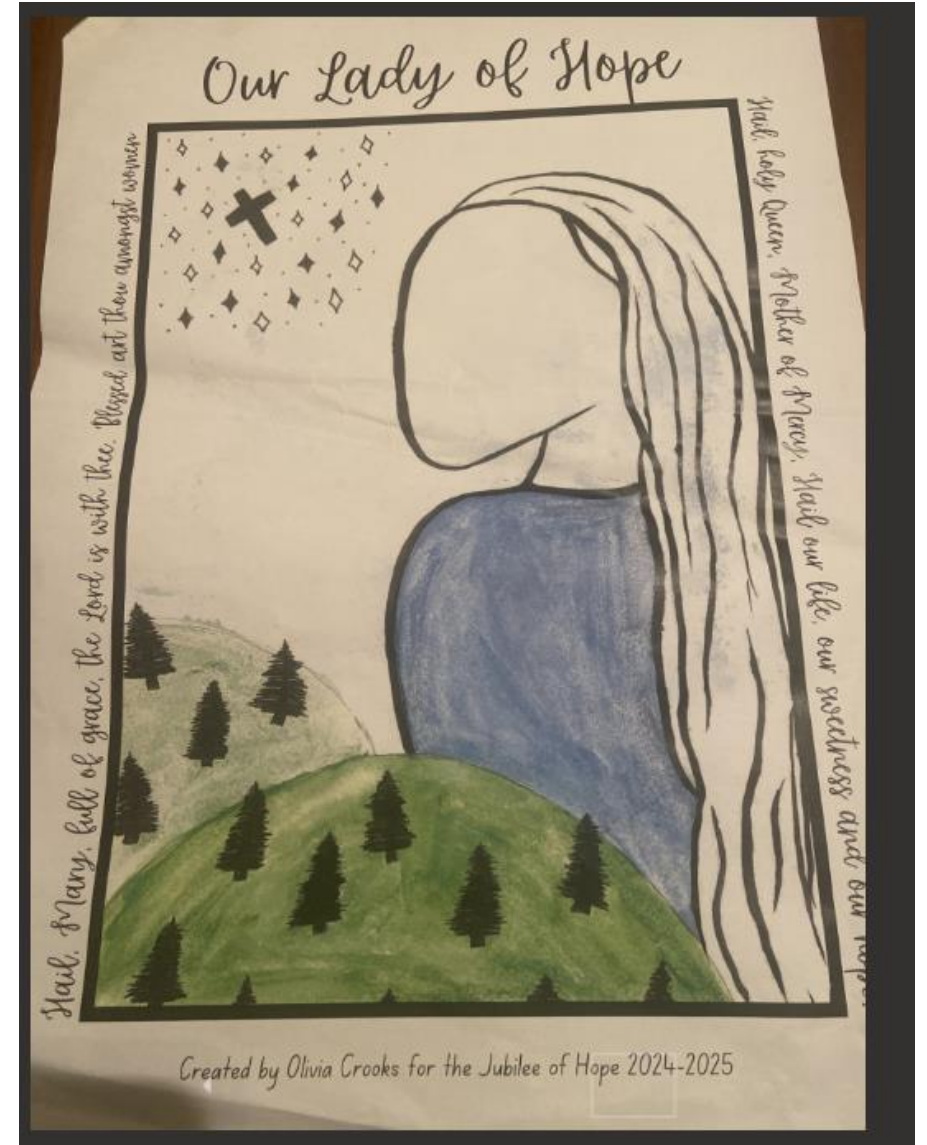
We were one of the winners for the last CMAT competition; it would be really lovely to see your work presented and blessed by Bishop Patrick for our Feast Day Mass of St Thomas Aquinas in January 2025.

Good luck and thank you for all your hard work in advance.

Mrs Mulcrow.



One of the 4 winners for Our Lady of Hope Icon for our CMAT created by Olivia in Year 8 at Saint Martin's. Olivia's Icon will travel around the Trust and visit each school in the Jubilee Year.















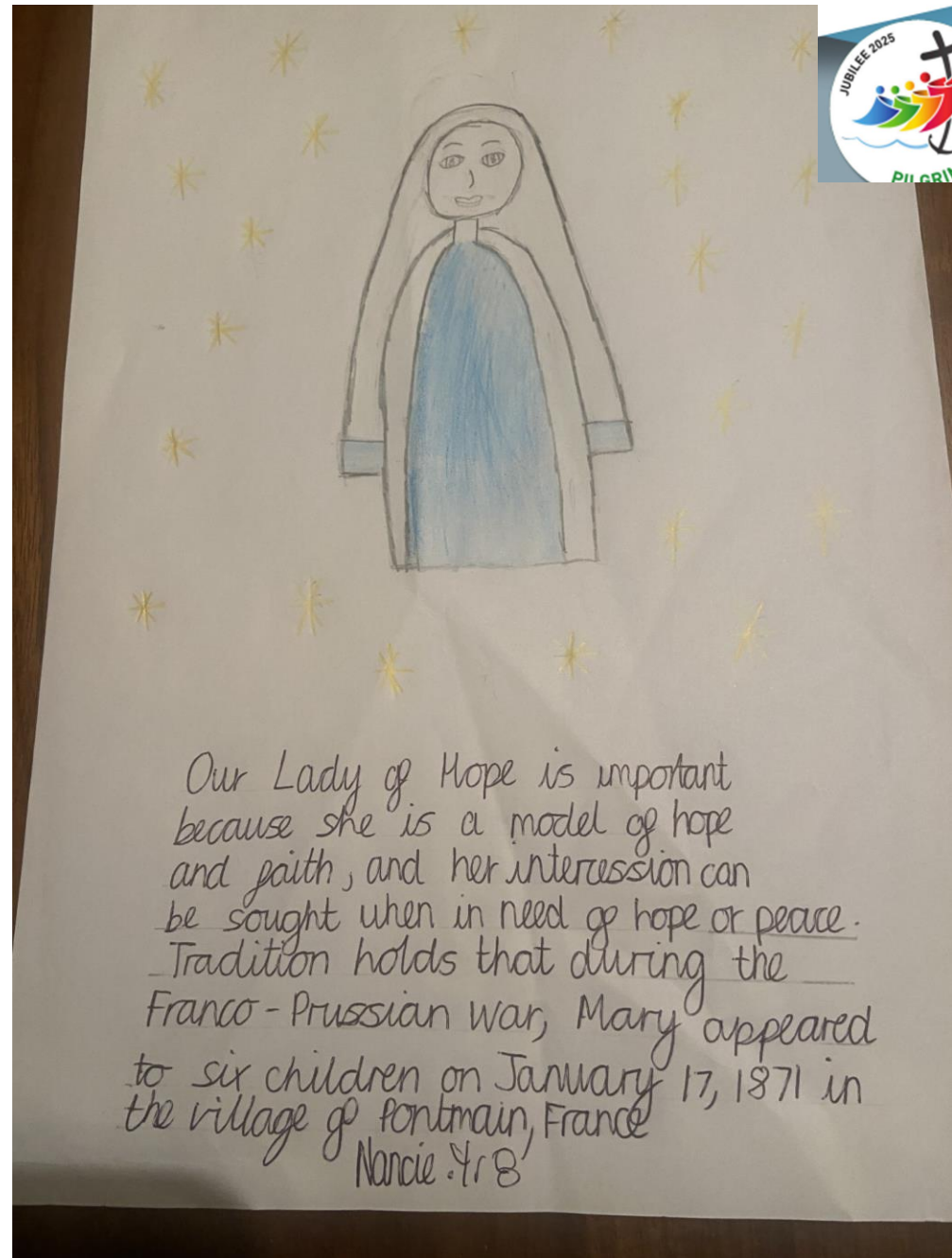












Our Lady of Hope is important because she is a model of hope and faith, and her intercession can be sought when in need of hope or peace. Tradition holds that during the Franco-Prussian war, Mary appeared to six children on January 17, 1871 in the village of Fontmain, France  
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