

**MARYKNOLL LAY MISSIONERS**  
**Bishop John E. McCarthy Spirit of Mission Award**  
Nomination Form

**Submission Deadline: June 15, 2026**  
**If submitting by mail, postmark by Saturday, June 6, 2026**

**About the Award**

The Bishop John E. McCarthy Spirit of Mission Award honors a returned Maryknoll lay missionary who demonstrates ongoing passion and dedication to living out their vocation through justice, nonviolence, and service in the United States.

**Eligibility Criteria**

The nominee must meet all three of the following:

- Currently, or within the past three years, has promoted justice and nonviolence in the U.S., particularly with marginalized communities.
- Returned from their Maryknoll Lay Missioners commitment at least five years ago.
- Completed at least one full contract as a Maryknoll lay missionary.

**Section A: About You (the Nominator)**

Your Name\*

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Your Email Address\*

Your Phone Number (optional)

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**Section B: About the Nominee**

Nominee's Full Name\*

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Nominee's Current City and State

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Nominee's Orientation/Class Year

Region(s) Where Nominee Served

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**Section C: Nomination Questions**

Please answer both questions below. There is no minimum or maximum length - we simply ask that you give enough detail to help the selection committee understand the nominee's work and impact.

**1. Nominee's current or recent justice and/or nonviolence involvement\***

Briefly describe the nominee's current or recent work promoting justice and/or nonviolence in the United States, particularly with marginalized communities.

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**2. In what way(s) has the nominee exemplified the spirit of mission?\***

Share how the nominee has continued to live out their mission vocation since returning to the United States. How do they embody the joyful story of God's love in their daily life and service?

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**How to Submit**

**Online:** Submit via the online form at [mklm.org/bishop\\_mccarthy\\_award](http://mklm.org/bishop_mccarthy_award)

*\* Required Field*

**By Email:** Scan or photograph this completed form and email to [alwaysamissioner@mklm.org](mailto:alwaysamissioner@mklm.org)

**By Mail:** Return this form to MKLM offices, ATTN: Bishop McCarthy Award, 1401 Montana Ave., Suite B4, El Paso, TX 79902

**Award Presentation:** August 29, 2026 at Maryknoll, NY

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