

CATHOLIC COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING

Diocese of Rockville Centre

The Religious Emblems Program of Boy Scouting offers a pathway for Scouts to more deeply understand their duty to God and more fully understand the twelfth point of the Boy Scout Law, "A Scout is reverent."

Most faiths offer programs to accomplish this goal. In Boy Scouting, the Catholic Committee on Scouting offers the following:



The Ad Altare Dei Emblem is designed for Catholic Boy Scouts who have completed at least the sixth grade and have been active in their troop for six months before beginning the program. Female Venturers may also participate. The goal of the program is to help the scout grow in his or her faith through a better understanding of the seven sacraments and their relationship to his or her life.

The program is completed in a 6 – 8 month time frame under the guidance of a trained religious emblem counselor. Presentation is made at the Annual Boy Scout Convocation in the fall.



The Pope Pius XII Emblem is designed for Catholic Boy Scouts and Venturers (boys and girls) who have started ninth grade through age 20. It is a vocation-based program for high school age youth conducted in a group setting under the guidance of a trained facilitator.

The purpose of the program is to help Catholic Scouts more fully develop a Christian way of life during their teen years and to explore their future life in the Church.

The program is completed in a 5 – 7 month period. Presentation is made at the Annual Boy Scout Convocation in the fall.

Information about the Religious Emblem of other faiths is available from your local scout office or the Catholic Scouting office.

Manuals for the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII programs are available at your local Scout Shop or from the Catholic Scouting Office.

For information about Religious Emblems or any of the programs of the Catholic Committee on Scouting, please contact a member or the Catholic Scouting Office.

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