# **Catholic Committee on Scouting for Girls**

All religious recognition programs are administered by The Diocese of Greensburg through the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation, as well as The Diocesan Scouting Chaplain. All emblems must be approved by The Diocese.

A full description of each Girl Scout religious award or emblem is listed below.

#### Nazareth

This program is designed for the Daisy in kindergarten or first grade who is registered with her troop for at least six months. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program. The duration of the program is four to six months.

This program centers around the various groups of people with which, the Daisy is connected. This includes her immediate family, church, neighborhood and world families. It helps the Daisy become more aware of God's presence in her everyday life.

Each Daisy must have her own activity book and logbook, which may be completed individually or with a group. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish pastor or his designee. The application form must be completed and submitted with the medal fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office. Ideally, the emblem is presented on Girl Scout Sunday or during a parish mass.

#### Family of God

This program is designed for the Brownie in second or third grade who is registered with her troop for at least six months. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program. The duration of the program is four to six months.

This program helps the Brownie discover the presence of God in her daily life. The Brownie discovers how she is special, how she belongs and how she can help in her family and parish.

Each Brownie must have her own activity book and logbook, which may be completed individually or with a group. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish pastor or his designee. The application form must be completed and submitted with the medal fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office. Ideally, the emblem is presented on Girl Scout Sunday or during a parish mass.

#### I Live My Faith

This program is designed for the Junior in fourth or fifth grade who is registered with her troop for at least six months. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program. The duration of the program is 4-6 months.

This program is designed to encourage the Scout to become more aware of the place that God and religion play in daily life. It focuses on developing self-awareness as: a human person; an involved member of the troop; a responsible member of the family; a growing member in the community of faith; and as a participating citizen of a nation, city or neighborhood.

Each Junior must have her own activity book and logbook which may be completed with a parent or other adult. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish pastor or his designee. The application form must be completed and submitted with the medal fee to the Diocesan Scouting Office. Ideally, the emblem is presented on Girl Scout Sunday or during a parish mass

#### St. Kateri Tekakwitha

This program is designed for the sixth grade girl who is registered in the Girl Scouts of the USA. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program. The duration of the program is four to six months.

This program is designed to help advance the girl's religious knowledge and spiritual formation through the beautiful role model of Kateri Tekakwitha.

Each Scout must have her own emblem book and logbook, which may be completed with a parent or other adult. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish pastor or his designee. All candidates who have completed the necessary requirements for this emblem must submit their completed logbook, application and fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office by March 1 of the year they expect to receive the emblem.

## Mary, The First Disciple (Marian)

This program is designed for the seventh or eighth grade girl who is registered in the Girl Scouts of the USA. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program, or be active in her parish youth ministry. The duration of the program is one year.

This program enables the girl to "proclaim the greatness of the Lord" by encouraging an understanding of Mary as a model of openness and spirituality – a woman of the church. Through various projects, discussions and liturgical celebrations over a period of months, a girl is provided with a unique opportunity to develop new insights into her personality, friends, parents and the world around her. Each Scout must have her own emblem book and logbook. The program must be conducted by a trained moderator in a group setting. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish priest or his designee. All candidates who have completed the necessary requirements for this emblem must submit their completed logbook, application and fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office by March 1 of the year they expect to receive the emblem.

## **The Spirit Alive**

This program is designed for the ninth to tenth grade girl who is registered in the Girl Scouts of the USA. She must attend Catholic school or her parish religious education program, or be active in her parish youth ministry program. The duration of the program is one year or more.

This program helps the Scout grow in her awareness of the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Holy Trinity. By examining the revelation of the Holy Spirit through the scriptures, and becoming aware of how the Holy Spirit has manifested itself throughout the history of God's people, the Girl Scout is encouraged to discover how the Holy Spirit moves in her life, calling her to greater participation in the church's ministry.

Each Scout must have her own emblem book and logbook. The program must be conducted by a trained moderator in a one-on-one or group setting. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish priest or his designee. All candidates who have completed the necessary requirements for this emblem must submit their completed logbook, application and fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office by March 1 of the year they expect to receive the emblem.

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Girl)

This program is designed for the eleventh to twelfth grade girl who is registered in the Girl Scouts of the USA. She must attend a Catholic school or her parish religious education program, or be active in her parish youth ministry. The duration of the program is one year or more.

This program encourages giving witness to the Christian life through the girl's participation in the spiritual life of her parish, giving witness to love of neighbors and demonstrating knowledge of the life of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Each Scout must have her own emblem book and logbook. The program must be conducted by a trained moderator in a group setting. After the activities are completed, the logbook should be reviewed by the parish priest or his designee. All candidates who have completed the necessary requirements for this emblem must submit their completed logbook, application and fee to the diocesan Catholic Scouting Office by March 1 of the year they expect to receive the emblem.

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Adult)

This recognition was inaugurated in 1980 to recognize the meritorious contributions of adults who serve Catholic youth through Girls Scouts of the USA. This medal affirms the work of those who help youth develop their spiritual lives within the context of this organization. It will ordinarily be received before the St. Anne medal, but it is not a requirement for receiving the St. Anne Medal.

## St. Anne

This is the highest national recognition for adults who serve Catholic youth through Girl Scouts of the USA.

The recognition was inaugurated in 1957 and redesigned in 1980. It honors the outstanding services of adults who contribute to the spiritual development of Catholic young people and to future Catholic adult leadership in youth ministry through the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry and the National Catholic Committee on Girl Scout and Camp Fire.

#### **Bishop Connare**

This is a diocesan recognition presented exclusively by the Diocese of Greensburg to recognize a recipient's outstanding contributions to the diocese, community and Girl Scouts of the USA. It also recognizes one's work as a registered Scouter. An individual is nominated for this recognition. Self and family referrals are not considered.

To be eligible for nomination, an individual must:

Be between the ages of 20 and up.

Be active in promoting religious and civic functions centered on the church, community and overall philosophy of Scouting **Complete Scouter Development** 

Be actively practicing his faith

# St. George

The National Catholic Committee on Scouting, acting through the local diocese or eparchy, may award the St. George emblem to laity, clergy, Scouters, Catholics and non-Catholics who have made significant and outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youth through Scouting. An individual is nominated for this recognition. Self and family referrals are not considered. Service in the following areas is considered:

Spiritual development of Catholic youth in Scouting Girl Scouts of the USA Parish, diocese or eparchy

Other community organizations (civic, fraternal, etc.)