



Religious Recognitions Mass / Ceremony

**Blanchette Catholic Center
April 22, 2017**

President
**Abbot Austin Murphy, OSB
St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle**

**Joliet Diocese Catholic
Committee on Scouting**

MASS: Procession / Gathering Hymn:

America the Beautiful

Oh beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties,
Above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood,
From sea to shining sea.

Oh beautiful for pilgrim's feet,
Whose stern impassioned stress,
A thoroughfare for freedom beat,
Across the wilderness!

America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw.
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

Opening Prayer:

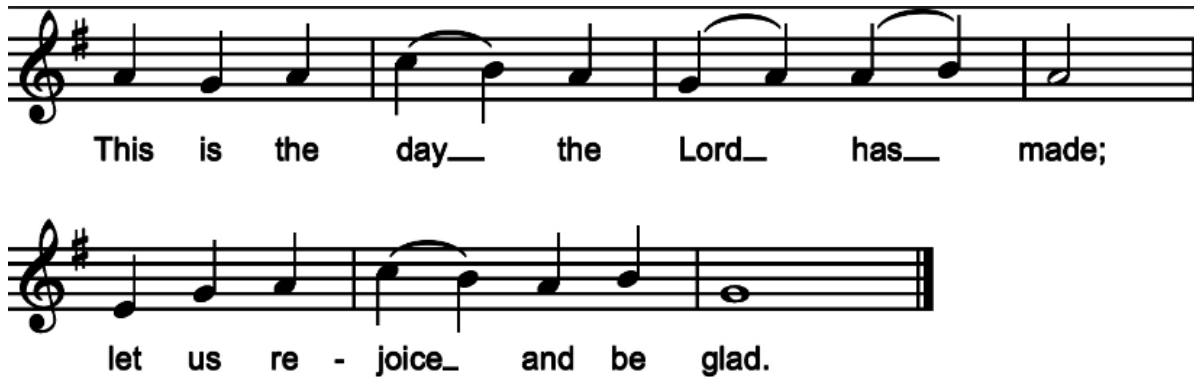
Reading:

Acts 4: 13-21

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm:



This is the day_ the Lord_ has_ made;
let us re - jice_ and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation:



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A L-le-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 16: 9-15

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily / Reflection / Intercessions:

Presentation of Gifts:

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert
but you shall not die of thirst

You shall wander far in safety though
you do not know the way

You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand

You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come follow me, and I will give you rest

If you pass through raging waters
in the sea, you shall not drown

If you walk amidst the burning flames
you shall not be harmed

If you stand before the power of hell
and death is at your side

Know that I am with you through it all

Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come follow me, and I will give you rest

Communion:

I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life,
He who comes to Me shall not hunger,
He who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No one can come to Me unless the Father beckons.

Refrain

And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give is My flesh,
for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever. *(Refrain)*

3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man,
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you. *(Refrain)*

Closing Song

Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now, I see.

'Twas Grace that taught, my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear,
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis Grace has brought me safe thus far,
and Grace will lead us home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
than when we've first begun.

Beginning of Religious Recognition Ceremony

Scouts and family members are asked to please remain in your seats while the church is prepared for the Religious Recognitions ceremony.

Recitation of Scout Oaths, Creeds, Promises and/or Laws.

Each group of Scouts should stand as their groups are announced to recite their own Scout Oath, Creed, Promise and/or Law.



**American Heritage Girls
Oath and Creed**

[American Heritage Girls stand]

I promise to love God,
Cherish my family,
Honor my country,
and Serve in my community.

As an American Heritage Girl,
I promise to be:
Compassionate, Helpful. Honest,
Loyal, Perseverant, Pure, Resourceful,
Respectful, Responsible, and Reverent.

**Girl Scout Promise and
Law**

[Girl Scouts stand]

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

I will do my best to be:
Honest and fair, Friendly and helpful,
Considerate and caring,
Courageous and strong, and
Responsible for what I say and do.

And to:
Respect myself and others, Respect
authority, Use resources wisely, Make
the world a better place and be a
sister to every Girl Scout.



Boy Scout Oath and Law *[Boy Scouts stand]*

On my honor I will do my best
to do my duty to God and my country,
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.

A scout is trustworthy, loyal,
helpful, friendly, courteous, kind,
obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave,
clean, and reverent.



**Prayer of
Commitment**

[All Scouts and leaders, please stand]

Almighty Father of our Lord Jesus Christ we consecrate ourselves to you, and we ask you to be our example and guide. We solemnly renew our promise as Scouts. Help us to keep our creed, promise, oath, and law. Aid us in every action and give us the grace to please you in all our thoughts, words and deeds, so that we may always be worthy to be called your children.
Amen

Blessing of the Recognitions

Closing Prayer

Order of the	†	God is Love
Presentation of	†	Family of God
Recognitions to	†	Light of Christ
Youth	†	I Live My Faith
	†	Parvuli Dei
	†	Marian Medal
	†	Ad Altare Dei
	†	Spirit Alive
	†	Pope Pius XII
	†	Pillars of Faith (Girls / Boys)

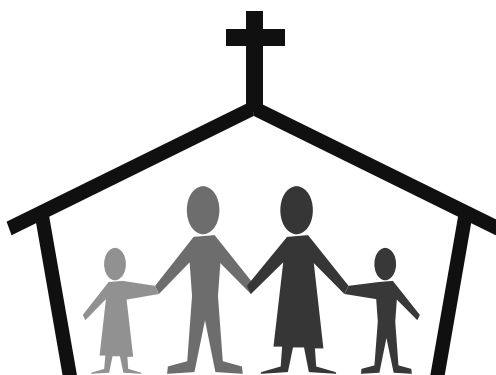
Order of the	†	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal
Presentation of	†	St. Anne Medal
Recognitions to	†	Bronze Pelican
Adults	†	St. George Emblem



Each Religious Recognition serves as a reminder to the Scout of his or her experience exploring and becoming more involved in the Catholic faith.

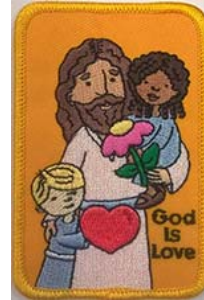
It becomes a symbol of commitment to their faith through prayer, service to others and responsible participation in their parish community.

All programs are designed to support and complement the catechetical efforts of Catholic parishes and schools.



God is Love

The God is Love program helps young women and men discover an appreciation that God created, cares for, and loves us all. For any Catholic youth in Kindergarten and 1st grade who are members of a recognized youth organization.



St. Barbara, Brookfield

Maia Miller

St. Mary, Plano

Madeline Barbel
Isabelle Howerton
Mary Kendall
Ava McClintock
Sophia Rothlisberger
Julia Salinas

St. Patrick, Yorkville

Peyton Hickey
Alyssa Soebbing



Family of God

The Family of God program helps youth discover the presence of God in their daily lives as members of their families and parish. For any Catholic youth in the 1st through 3rd grade who are members of a recognized youth organization.



Immaculate Conception, Elmhurst

Elizabeth (Lily) Hipskind

St. Matthew, Addison

Callista Brady

St. Michael, Wheaton

Maria Fasnacht

St. Peter & Paul, Naperville

McKenna Heffron

Sophia Kujawa

Sarah Walters

Faustina Zabinski

St. Philp the Apostle, Addison

Grace Cannizzo

Alyssa Facht

Katelyn Ford

Alison Hoag

Marisa Lloveras

Alexandra Roe-Mareinkowski

Zowie Taylor



Light of Christ

With the help of his parents, the youth develops a personal relationship with Jesus to understand better and appreciate that Jesus is a real person and indeed his friend. For Catholic youth in the 1st through 3rd grade who are members of any BSA program.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Coal City

Mason Hamilton
Julian Micetich

Immaculate Conception, Elmhurst

Finley Farnan

Sacred Heart, Lombard

Robert Fak

St. Alexander, Villa Park

Caleb Balius
Jake Borho
Owen Ferris
Michael Garner
William Hudson
Jonathan Lynch
Giovanni Santoyo
Benjamin Swanson

St. Ann, Channahon

Aidan Gubbins

St. Francis of Assisi, Bolingbrook

Emilio Lozano
Shaun Pais
Patrick Reynolds

St. Francis Xavier, Joliet

Jason Boulds

St. George, Tinley Park

Nathan Beazley
Nathan Peters

St. Joan of Arc, Lisle

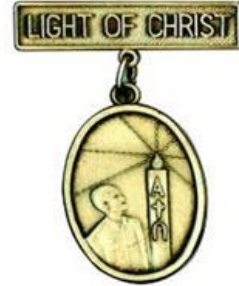
Dominic Strimel

St. Jude, New Lenox

Gavin Johnson



Light of Christ (Continued)



St. Mary Immaculate, Plainfield

Aidan Keane
Andrew Kraft
Jericho Sprengel

St. Mary of Gostyn, Down- ers Grove

Patrick Doherty
Matteo Lenzo
Tyler Matthews
Aidan O'Connell
James Quealy
Graham Reiser
Joshua Rouzan

St. Michael, Wheaton

Jack Barbieri
George Gnorski
Matthew Griffin
Grayson McBeth
James Reitmann

St. Patrick, Yorkville

Colin Berault
Anthony Cella
Connor Peters

St. Pius X, Lombard

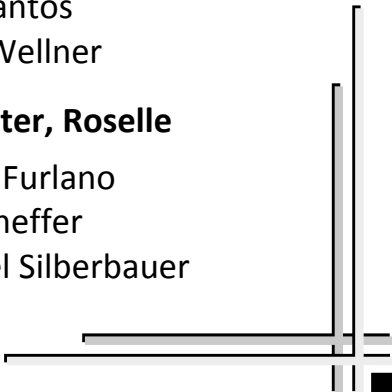
Gavin Conway
Lincoln Lifferth
Quentin Medinger
Ben Perez
Miles Romano
Owen Simek
Anthony Tortorello
Robert Sawyer Wathier

St. Scholastica, Woodridge

Matthew Buckley
Aidan Calimlim
Everett Esquivel
Ethan Kossak
Sam Martincic
Blake Morton
Owen Nachman
Matthew Nowak
Colin Pidrak
Noah Ramsey
Ryan Santos
Dylan Wellner

St. Walter, Roselle

Joseph Furlano
Colin Sheffer
Michael Silberbauer



I Live My Faith

For this recognition, youth develop an awareness of their potential as a person, friend, family member, citizen and participant in the community of faith. For any Catholic youth in the 3rd through 6th grade who are members of a recognized youth organization.



Holy Trinity, Westmont

Mary Helen Held

St. Barbara, Brookfield

Adella Miller

St. Joseph, Downers Grove

Shelby Balsamo
Casandra Schaefer
Nicole Schaefer

St. Margaret Mary, Naperville

Jenna Lupo
Mackenzie Ouellette

St. Michael, Wheaton

Izabelle Dominski
Madeline Freeman
Susan Green
Sofia Hutchens
Lily Kearney
Sara Locascio
Riley Macek
Avalynn Marquez
Madeline McBeth
Charlotte Obrochta
Lucy Rozylowicz
Kyra Thomas
Adela Zinski

St. Walter, Roselle

Victoria Kot

Parvuli Dei

Youth become more aware of God's presence in their daily lives. They develop a good, positive self-image through the contributions they can make. For Catholic youth in the 3rd through 6th grade who are members of any BSA program.



Holy Spirit Catholic Community, Naperville

Joseph Moraski

Holy Trinity, Westmont

Simon Linder

Immaculate Conception, Elmhurst

Malcolm Lynas

Thomas Phillips

Lucas Talluto

Kyle Warner

Roberto Williamson

Our Lady of Mercy, Aurora

Peyton Owings

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Joliet

Issac Nolasco

Our Lady of Peace, Darien

Emilio Borquez

Our Lady of Victory, Chicago

William N.L. Draper

Sacred Heart,rt, Lombard

Owen Berberich

James Fitzpatrick

Conor Kaefer

Noah Munson

Jason Nelson

St. Alexander, Villa Park

Luke Borho

Hayden Roscoe

St. Ambrose, Crest Hill

Christopher Elmore

St. Ann, Channahon

Derek Hartke

James Huzl

Andrew Straley

St. Anne, Oswego

Colin Brakehall

Benjamin Martinez

Nathan Martinez

St. Anthony, Frankfort

Evan Aherne

Michael Svehla

St. Cletus, LaGrange

Brendan Bergnach

St. Francis of Assisi, Bolingbrook

Andrew Courtney

Roberto Lozano

Ethan Pais

William Reynolds

Justin Woracheck

St. George, Tinley Park

Dylan Dybala

Ian Haas

Sean Meeks

Colin Patrick

St. Isidore, Bloomington

Eli Ho

Rayhaan Irani

Joe Mahoney

Michael Powell

Ryan Zalak

St. Joan of Arc, Lisle

Braeden Bartlett

Joseph Beranek

Parker Gosselink

Jake Gregorio

Sean Higgins

Tristan Lakis

Michael Leoni



Parvuli Dei (Continued)



St. Joan of Arc, Lisle

Nathan Lichucki
Zander Montgomery
Edward Nawrocki
Jonathan O'Connor
Jacob Olejnik
Ryan Pecak
Joshua (JT) Pettigrew
Jacob Sulda

St. John the Baptist, Winfield

Zachary Maslona

St. Joseph, Lockport

Robert Ryan

St. Jude, New Lenox

Zachary Johnson
Eugenio Petrizzi

St. Mary Immaculate, Plainfield

Aidan Connelly
Christopher Corsi
Junior Hurtado
Brady Keane
Stephen Roehrig
Vincent Rosko
Aaron Jeffrey Servantez

Liam John Ward

St. Mary of Gostyn, Downers Grove

Blake Heyer
Nolan Hicks
Michael Jones
John Reiser
Andrew Sparke

St. Michael, Wheaton

Michael Gochee
Michael Harrington
Sean Jost
Gabe Leemans
Rudy Reitmann
Andrew Rossetti
A.J. Valentine

St. Peter & Paul, Naperville

Kevin Pankow

St. Petronille, Glen Ellyn

James Boyd
John Boyd

St. Pius X, Lombard

Alex Perez
Dean Romano

Tony Simek

St. Raphael, Naperville

Brady Jones
Owen Simkins
William Zalabak

St. Raymond, Joliet

Adam Overstreet

St. Scholastica, Woodridge

Lucas Marcott
Joe Nowak

St. Teresa, Kankakee

Samuel Verrill

St. Thomas the Apostle, Naperville

Andrew Baker
Stephen Hribal

St. Walter, Roselle

Adam Jenca
Jacob Rzeszutek

Visitation, Elmhurst

Luke Beckman





Marian Medal

Youth gain appreciation of Mary and an understanding of themselves. They meet Mary in Scripture as a young teenager and follow her as she becomes the Mother of God. For any Catholic youth in the 7th grade or higher who are members of a recognized youth organization.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Darien

Emma Mazzolini

St. Francis of Assisi, Bolingbrook

Vanessa Torres

St. Giles, Oak Park

Elyse Taglia

Jean Taglia

St. Mary, Mokena

Jill Cook

St. Peter & Paul, Naperville

Rita Bogusz

Addison Heffron

Gabriella Hu

Emilia Shoup

Megan Walters

St. Raphael, Naperville

Gwen Lavinge



Ad Altare Dei

Youth earning this emblem develop a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. They work with a counselor and complete activities covering the seven Sacraments. For Catholic youth in the 7th grade or higher who are members of any BSA program.



Assumption, Coal City

Christian Micetich
Anthony Powers

Corpus Christi, Carol Stream

Timothy Bull

St. Ann, Channahon

Tyler Hartke

St. Anne, Oswego

Alex Torres

St. Anthony, Frankfort

Ryan Gade
Andrew Hasson
Ben Malcom
Ethan Mills
Kenneth Mysliwicz
Michael Mysliwicz
Ryan O'Connor

St. Daniel, Wheaton

Alex Gazarek
Jack Jordan
Michael Larson
Ethan Seng

St. Dennis, Lockport

Jonathan Sulich

St. Isaac Jogues, Hinsdale

Salazar Aguilen
Patrick Boyle
Christian Gambler
Patrick Kelly
Aldor Kriouci
Martin McCann
Reece O'Connor
Miky O'Meill
Benjamin Phlamm
John Pizzuto
Conor Richards
Aidan Samhauseh

St. John the Baptist, Joliet

Samuel Ahnert
Alexis Marquez

St. Mary, Plano

Peter Schmit
Jacob Wetterich

St. Matthew, Glendale Heights

Nicholas Wildhirt

St. Paul the Apostle, Sandwich

Nathan Scherer

St. Peter, Aurora

Carolynne Hilliard

St. Raymond, Joliet

Adam White
Josh White

St. Walter, Roselle

Nicole Feldman
Nicholas Gemmati
Joseph McGehee

Visitation Parish, Elmhurst

Thomas Bennett
Emmet Doyle
Ronan Doyle
Ryan Falcone
Jack Giura
Ian Kwit
Connor Lawrence
Eric Moskal



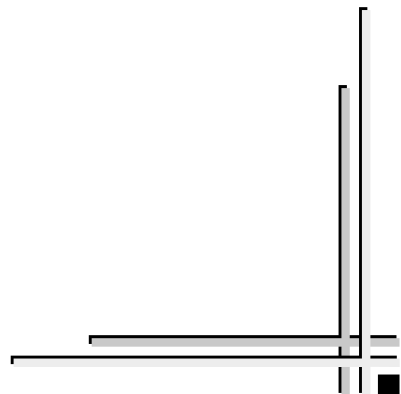
Spirit Alive

Through the Spirit Alive program youth discover how the Holy Spirit moves in their lives, calling them to greater participation in the church's ministry. For any Catholic youth in the 9th grade or higher who are members of a recognized youth organization.



St. Anne, Oswego

Thomas Doody





Pope Pius XII

Older youth explore units to examine how being a Christian affects daily life in a real world. The units discussed include: We as Christians, Today's Vocation, and Awareness of Responsibility to Self and Society. For Catholic youth in the 9th grade or higher who are members of any BSA program.



St. Ambrose, Crest Hill

Ian Elmore

St. Ann, Channahon

Evan Hartke

St. Ann, Crest Hill

Andrew Albertino

St. Elizabeth Seton, Naperville

Thomas Hojnicky

St. Jude, New Lenox

William Laitar

St. Peter & Paul, Naperville

William Buettner

Nathan Hu

Daniel Parker

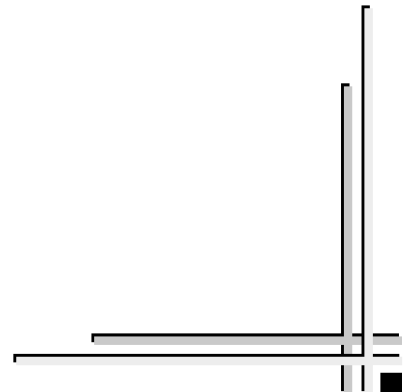


Pillars of Faith - Service To God

The Pillars of Faith Recognitions program recognizes Scouts who demonstrate noteworthy achievement in the Catholic Religious Recognitions program. The Service to God Recognition can be earned by any Catholic Youth who have earned ALL four of the following Catholic Religious Recognitions: Family of God, I Live My Faith, Marian Medal, and Spirit Alive.



There are no recipients this year.



Pillars of Faith - Duty To God

The Pillars of Faith Recognitions program recognizes Scouts who demonstrate noteworthy achievement in the Catholic Religious Recognitions program. The Duty to God Recognition can be earned by Catholic Boy Scouts who have earned ALL four of the following Catholic Religious Recognitions: Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, and Pope Pius XII.



St. Dennis, Lockport
Nicholas Sulich

St. Jude, New Lenox
Bill Laitar

**St. Peter & Paul,
Naperville**
Nathan Hu
Daniel Parker

St. Walter, Roselle
Brandon Hedges



Pope Paul VI National Catholic Unit Excellence Award

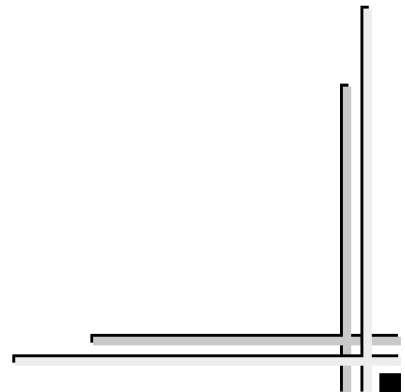
In 1972, the Boy Scout National Catholic Committee on Scouting developed a unit recognition for Scout units chartered by a parish or the Knights of Columbus. During the course of a year, the Unit must meet specific requirements in the areas of adult leadership, service, and program which encompass religious, vocational and educational aspects of Scouting.

For further information about this recognition, please contact our Committee.



**The Joliet Diocesan Catholic Committee on
Scouting Wishes to Recognize the Following Units
Who Earned This Award in 2016:**

There Were No Recipients in 2016



Adult Recognitions

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal

This recognition was established to recognize adults whose dedicated work help youth develop their spiritual lives within the American Heritage Girls, Girl Scouts, or Camp Fire programs.



St. Anne Medal

This is the highest national recognition for adults who serve Catholic youth through American Heritage Girls, Girl Scouts, or Camp Fire programs. The purpose of this recognition is to honor outstanding service of adults who contribute to the spiritual development of Catholic young people and to further Catholic adult leadership in youth ministry .



Bronze Pelican

The Bronze Pelican Recognition is a Diocesan recognition given to adults who have made a significant and outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in any Scouting program. It may be presented to any adult, Scouter or non-Scouter, a member of the laity or religious, or a member of another faith in recognition of consistent support of the Scouting program.



St. George Emblem

This recognition is a national recognition given in recognition of an individual's outstanding service and contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youth through Scouting.



If you know of someone deserving of recognition, please take the time to honor them by nominating them! We cannot honor those we do not know of.

*Contact a Committee Member for more Information or go to our website and locate the 'Adult Recognitions' page for more information and the nomination forms. **ANYONE** can nominate someone they feel is worthy.*

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2016 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal Recipient Julie Schaefer



Julie Schaefer has been a parishioner at St. Joseph Parish in Downers Grove since she was in the third grade. She has served in music ministry as a member of the choir for several years. Julie and her husband brought their daughters to St. Joseph Parish school, where she volunteered her time as a member of the school advisory board, working with the teachers as a volunteer in the classroom, as a coach, and in many other ways behind the scenes.

Seeing a need for a Christian scouting organization for her daughter, she worked tirelessly to start an American Heritage Girls troop at the parish. In a very short time, membership grew beyond the parish boundaries and included girls who are home schooled. Julie has been active in encouraging the religious medal programs, developing a heart of service in the girls of the troop, and promoting the faith during weekend campouts which include Mass. She is also on the Ros-a-Ree planning committee.

2016 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal Recipient Lori Balsamo



Lori Balsamo has been a parishioner at St. Joseph Parish in Downers Grove since her childhood and has been involved in the parish, working with the youth for most of her adult life. It would be difficult to find someone at the parish who has not come into contact with Lori's work. Lori serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, is secretary of the Youth Ministry Office, and has been involved in youth ministry at the parish for over twenty years. She has also served as a catechist in the religious education program and runs the children's Liturgy of the Word.

Lori has actively promoted Scouting with her sons in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts but has in recent years been instrumental in bringing an American Heritage Girls troop to St. Joseph Parish. As one of the founding members, she has helped the girls to celebrate their faith as AHG scouts in prayer, service, and activities that promote Christian values. She introduced religious medal programs and has actively promoted the Ros-a-Ree.

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2016 Bronze Pelican Recipient Janeen Feldman



Janeen became a Den Leader at Pack 194 for her son's Den through most of his Cub Scout & Webelos years making sure that each Scout in her Den worked on and earned their religious awards. When her son became a Boy Scout in Troop 194, she encouraged boys in Catholic home school groups to join Scouting. Through her efforts, several did join. Three earned their Eagle rank and more are on their way. She also encourages those boys along with other homeschoolers, including her daughter Nicole to get involved with the Ros-a-Ree as staff members. Often Janeen takes Scouts with her on the hour-long trek to Ros-a-Ree meetings.

Outside of Scouting, Janeen has been teaching confirmation classes on and off for over twenty-seven years as well as being involved in organizing and planning for Vacation Bible Camp at St. Walter Parish in Schaumburg and Holy Family Parish in Inverness. She attends daily Mass regularly at St. Matthew Parish in Schaumburg.

2016 Bronze Pelican Recipient Abbot Austin Murphy



Abbot Murphy, OSB, is the abbot of St. Procopius Abbey in Lisle. His jobs before becoming abbot have included teaching math and religion as well as being campus minister at the abbey's high school, Benet Academy. He did his doctoral studies at the University of Notre Dame.

When called on to preside over Scout religious recognitions ceremonies and retreats, he has always answered the call and donated his time and talents. He has been a speaker at the Ros-a-Ree Catholic Scout Retreat and Camp Out as well as a Presider several times for the Scout Religious Recognitions Ceremony and Mass

As Abbot for Benet Academy, he has mentored countless youth as both teacher and campus minister.



2016 Bronze Pelican Recipient Laura Hilliard



Laura has served in Religious Education as a co-catechist for St Anne Parish in Oswego for two years. Before that worked as a Hall Monitor and Parking Lot attendant for RE at St Anne Parish. In the Catechist role, she helped to prepare students for the sacrament of Confirmation.

She started with Scouts 15 years ago as a Tiger Den Co-Leader and has held most positions in Cub Scout Pack 384. For the Boy Scouts, she has been (at various times) Committee Chair, Treasurer, Activities Chair, Advancement Chair, and Chaplain for Troop 7247 (currently sponsored by St. Anne Parish). At Three Fires Council, she has worked with Popcorn, Training Academy, Aquatics Committee, and Summer Camp. With Venture Crew 316, she has helped with the Joliet Dioceses Ros-A-Ree Scout Retreat for three years and is on staff again this year.

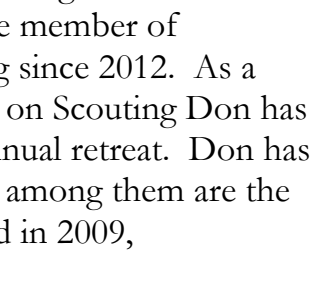
Laura has also been a Lecture at St Anne Parish for five years and is currently a Lecture at St Pete Parish in Aurora.

2016 Bronze Pelican Recipient Don Cameron



Don is very active in his Council. He serves his Council in various positions including being the current Training Chair and the NYLT Scoutmaster since 2007. He has been a District Commissioner and Unit Commissioner. He has been the Committee Chair and a member of Troop 65 since 1999. He has also served as the Committee Chair for Troop 20 and Crew 65. In addition, he has been a Committee Member of Crew 502, Troop 50, and Pack 50. He is also the Charter Rep for Pack 50, Crew Adviser for Crew 112 and Range Master for the Rifle Range.

In addition to all of that – Don is an active member of the Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting since 2012. As a member of the Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting Don has helped staff a number of activities including the annual retreat. Don has earned many awards as a Scouter, most prominent among them are the Silver Beaver award in 2013, the Arrowhead Award in 2009, and the Commissioners Key.





2016 St. George Emblem Recipient James (Jim) Schutzius



Jim is the Chaplain for Troop 237 and is the Religious Emblems Coordinator for Troops 270 & 237. He has taught numerous workshops for Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII, guiding many young men and women in discovering more about their faith. He is a Committee Member for Troop 237 and is very active in Troop activities.

He is also involved with his church, St. Anthony's, as a Eucharistic Minister, a Religious Education Instructor, and he is a past member of the Knights of Columbus. He is also an active member of the Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting.

Jim is an involved parent who participates greatly in his three children's scouting activities as well as their participation in band and swimming.

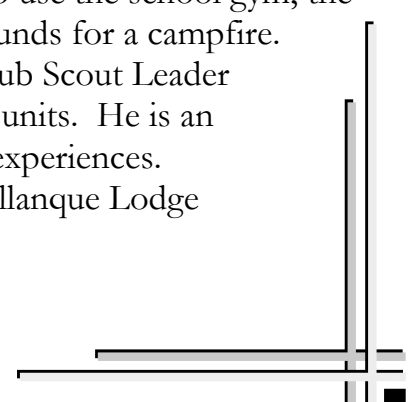
2016 St. George Emblem Recipient Father Andy Davy



Fr. Andy has been a mainstay in the Joliet Diocesan Scout Retreat, 'Ros-a-Ree.' He has welcomed and supported the program with his complete involvement by attending most of the presentations and activities. He has done many of the presentations throughout all three of the past retreats. These presentations such as 'Adoration,' 'Who is Jesus,' and 'What goes on during Mass,' to name a few, have captivated the scouts because of his creativity in speaking and his obvious love of "kids".

Allowing the retreat and camp out on the St. Mary Church campus has been an absolute blessing. We are allowed to use the school gym, the Adoration Chapel, the main church, and the grounds for a campfire.

Before his ordination, Fr. Andy was a Cub Scout Leader and an Assistant Scoutmaster for his hometown units. He is an Eagle Scout and speaks proudly of his scouting experiences. He is a Brotherhood member of the Lowaneu Allaque Lodge of the Three Fires Council, BSA.





Recent Adult Recognition Recipients

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal

Maura Martinello (2010)
Deborah Butler (2010)
Colleen Chorazyczewski (2012)
Thomas Courtney (2013)

Lauren Beranek (2015)
Joseph Gaul (2015)
Michael Mikos (2015)
Michael Nadeau (2015)
Sean Nadeau (2015)
Victoria Pelletiere (2015)

St. Anne Medal

Kathleen Kelley (2004)
Lois Tyznik (2005)
Jeanne Gensler (2009)

St. George Emblem

Kathy Briick (2013)
William Doody (2013)
Robert Lighthiser (2013)
Bill Mammosser (2013)
Donna Doody (2014)
Donna Foster (2014)
Lauren Beranek (2015)
Fr. Stephen Eickhoff (2015)

Bronze Pelican

Donna Doody (2013)
William Doody (2013)
Matthew Zurek (2013)
Burrel Elmore (2014)
Phillip Hilliard (2014)

The Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting

Father Stephen Eickhoff, Diocesan Scout Chaplain

Bill Doody, Chair

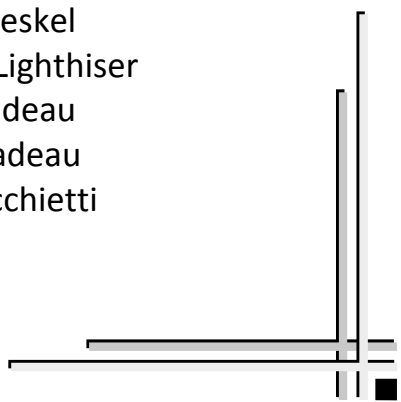
Paul Mach, ex officio, Director of Youth Ministry

Members:

David Adamic
Deacon Don Berkey
Jerry Bevignani
Don Cameron
Rosemarie Courtney
Tom Courtney
Donna Doody
Burrel Elmore
Bill Mammosser
Mike Mikos
Jim Schutzius
Jim Thuot

Members at Large:

Tanya Anderson
Lauren Beranek
Terry Coclosure
Joe Gaul
Laura Hilliard
Chuck Keskel
Robert Lighthiser
Barb Nadeau
Mike Nadeau
John Picchietti





Upcoming Events

Open to Youth (and/or Adults) in the Following Organizations:

American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts of America, Camp Fire USA, Girl Scouts USA, and Other Catholic Youth Groups.

Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting Meetings

ALL are Welcome to Visit (and Apply to Join if You Want to!)

2017 Mtgs: 5/16, 8/8, 9/19, 10/17, 11/21, 12/19 @ 7pm

Blanchette Catholic Ctr, (16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill)

Ros-a-Ree Catholic Scout Retreat / Camp Out Weekend

Spiritual Retreat and Camping Combined!

Friday, Aug. 11 @ 5pm thru Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017, @ 12pm

St. Mary's Catholic Parish, (901 N Center St, Plano)

Day Of Reflection Retreat

Come and Reflect with Fellow Scouts

January 27, 2018

Place TBD

8:30am - 1:30pm (Registration Begins at 8am)

The Joliet Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting meets monthly from August to May on the third Tuesday evening. If you are interested in learning more about our work, we encourage you to contact a member for information or **simply attend one of their regularly scheduled meetings as a guest. All are welcome!**

We maintain a website at www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting. Here you will find information about the Catholic recognitions available for youth and adults in Scouting; how to obtain recognitions; contact information for questions about the recognitions programs; as well as a calendar of upcoming events, training, ceremonies, and retreats.

