



Catholic Committee on Scouting Archdiocese of Cincinnati Quarterly Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

2018 Catholic Camporee
November 2-4, 2018
Maria Stein Spiritual Center

Scouting University
December 1, 2018
Princeton High School
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Emblems BORs
January 9-12, 2019
Various locations
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Catholic Scouting Summit
January 20, 2019
2-5:00 pm
Our Lady of Sorrows
Monroe, Ohio
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Cathedral Ceremony
March 24, 2019
2-5:00 pm
Saint Peter in Chains

Saint George Trek
Rescheduled to 2020
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2019 Catholic Camporee
November 1-3, 2019
Location TBD

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Catholic Camporee - November 2-4, 2018

Act Now!!! \$20 Early Registration closes October 25!

After October 25, registration will be \$30/person. No registrations accepted after October 31.

Make your plans now to join us this Fall, November 2-4, 2018, in Ohio's "Land of the Cross Tipped Churches."

The Camporee will be held at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center and will include a visit to the Shrine of the Holy Relics where Scouts can see the second largest collection of Holy Relics in the U.S., including relics of St. George (the patron Saint of Scouting), and participate in the veneration of the True Cross.

Groups will also be hiking a pilgrimage to various churches in the vicinity of Maria Stein and there will be traditional scout-skill games and another First Aid Challenge.

And plan on showing off your Troop cooking skills by sharing a pot luck dinner Saturday night followed by Mass.

The cost of the retreat is \$20 per youth/adult and includes the patch, Saturday lunch, Saturday Cracker Barrel and a light breakfast on Sunday morning. Note that the cost includes a tent camp site, which will be assigned upon arrival. If your Troop prefers a dormitory (may be available in the Retreat Center) you will need to separately reserve that directly with the Maria Stein Spiritual Center at spiritualcenter.net.

Registration is now open and a Camporee Leader's Guide is available on the Catholic Committee Website at www.archcincycos.org under the "Upcoming Events" section.

We look forward to sharing a great weekend with you!

If you have any additional questions that are not answered on the website, please contact Harry Heaton at:

harryheaton@me.com.

Religious Emblems Boards of Review

For those Scouts working on the **Ad Altare Dei** and **Pope Pius XII** emblems, a Board of Review is required to complete the Emblem.

For your convenience, Boards have been scheduled during the week of **January 7-12, 2019** at the locations and times listed here.

All participants **MUST PRE-REGISTER** for a date and location, even if the location is your Unit's home parish.

NOTE: If you cannot attend one of these sessions, Boards may be scheduled at any time during the year if necessary, subject to mutually agreeable dates between the Unit and the Committee but presentation at the Cathedral Ceremony in March requires completion by January 31, 2019.

Please contact the Catholic Committee to pre-register:

Tom Wiles - twiles@cinci.rr.com
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Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – Immaculate Heart of Mary
7800 Beechmont Ave. 45255 in Heritage Hall
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Thursday, January 10, 2019 – Saint Ignatius Loyola
5222 North Bend Rd. 45247 in the Hilvert Center
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Friday, January 11, 2019 – Saint Susanna
500 Reading Rd. 45040 in the Meyer Center behind school
6:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Saturday, January 12, 2019 – Scout Achievement Center
10078 Reading Rd. 45241
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Northern area by request – contact Harry Heaton at harryheaton@me.com

Religious Activities - Rosary Series



A beautiful 5 inch patch is available for each activity. The Rosary Series has five activities: Pray the Rosary; Joyful Mysteries; Luminous Mysteries; Sorrowful Mysteries; and Glorious Mysteries.

The Rosary Series focuses on How to Pray the Rosary and the Mysteries of the Holy Rosary. This is an opportunity for youth and adults to learn more about their faith. This activity may be worked on individually or as a group. The Rosary series makes an excellent **family activity** and could revolve around a nightly praying of the Rosary as a family.

It is not necessary to send the completed form. An adult may verify the correct answers.

More details and the list of requirements are available on the National Catholic Committee on Scouting at <https://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/religious-activities/rosary-series/> and at the following detailed links:

[PRAY THE ROSARY](#)
[JOYFUL MYSTERIES](#)
[LUMINOUS MYSTERIES](#)
[SORROWFUL MYSTERIES](#)
[GLORIOUS MYSTERIES](#)

ELIGIBILITY

All youth and adults—Scouts or non-Scouts, Catholic or non-Catholic, male or female—are welcome to participate in the Religious Activity Programs promoted by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting. These activities include the Rosary Series, the Footsteps of American Saints, the International Catholic Awareness Award, and the Good Turn Project. The activities may be used by families, schools, or any Girl Scout, Boy Scout, Cub Scout, American Heritage Girl, Campfire or Venturer.

ACTIVITY REQUIREMENTS

The youth and adults must perform the requirements for their grade level to complete this activity.

COMPLETION OF THE ACTIVITY

After completing the requirements, a parent or scout leader will complete the Patch Order Form ([Online PDF](#)) and mail it along with the applicable fee to the NCCS. The answers to the questions do not need to be forwarded when ordering the patch.

PRESENTATION OF THE PATCH

Patches are to be presented to those who earned them and can be presented in a formal Awards Mass, Scout meeting, by family members, etc. The key is to make the presentation special, so the youth understand why they have earned this patch. Also, the patch should be presented in a timely manner so the participant is recognized shortly after completing the activity.

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2019 Saint George Trek Rescheduled to 2020

Unfortunately, due to the wildfires at Philmont Scout Ranch in 2018, the National Catholic Committee on Scouting has decided to cancel the 2019 Saint George Trek and reschedule it for the Summer of 2020.



www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/st-george-trek

and then submit your request for consideration to the Catholic Committee Chairman at:

The NCCS issued a statement in June with the details available at the following link:
<https://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/june18-stg>

If you are interested in participating in this program in 2020, please review the requirements and trek details on the NCCS webpage at:

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Chaplain's Corner - Fr. Brian Phelps

This past summer the Archdiocesan Committee on Scouting hit a great goal. We offered Mass at every Scout Summer Camp in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The three Summer Camps in the Archdiocese are Camp Friedlander in Cincinnati, Camp Hugh Taylor Birch in Yellow Springs, and Woodland Trails in Camden, OH.

This great accomplishment comes because many people helped to make it happen. I am very appreciative of their help and coordination in this effort.

I went to Camp Friedlander as a scout, and now as the Chaplain I have been blessed to celebrate mass at the other scout camps in the Archdiocese. I have also been blessed to meet with the good people from the different councils within the archdiocese, Catholic and Non-Catholic. That is what being reverent really means, doing our duty to God, being faithful to our faith tradition and respecting the other religious beliefs. We do this by truly embracing our faith, living the truth of Jesus Christ wherever we go, and treating people with the utmost dignity as being made in the image and likeness of God.

Leaders, help your scouts grow to be faithful followers of God, and live the truth of Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian Phelps
Chaplain for the Archdiocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting

Committee Report - Family Scouting Initiative

The Committee has received several inquiries about the new BSA Family Scouting Initiative.

It is important to note that the Catholic Committee on Scouting does not have the authority to make decisions as to whether or not a Unit may choose to participate in the Family

Scouting Initiative by forming all-girl Cub Dens this year and/or eventually forming all-female Scout Troops starting next year.

This decision will be made by the Archdiocese and work is currently underway by the Archdiocese to prepare an official statement regard-

ing the Family Scouting Initiative. This statement is expected to be released in mid-October and the Catholic Committee on Scouting will send out an email and post the final document on Committee webpage.

Thank you for your patience in this matter.

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www.archcincycos.org

The mission of the Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is to provide the guidance and resources necessary to add the elements and principles of the Catholic faith to the Scouting experience for all Units in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

We can only accomplish this mission with the prayers and support of all of our leaders and Scouts so please make it a goal to always include "Duty to God" as a fun-

University of Scouting - December 1, 2019, Princeton HS

The University of Scouting will be held on December 1, 2019 at Princeton High School in Sharonville. Tom Wiles and Deacon Dave

Shaffer will be presenting two sessions that offer an introduction to Cub and Scout/Venture Catholic Religious Emblems.

For more information please see the Dan Beard Website at www.danbeard.org/Events/ScoutingU

Adult Religious Awards - Nominations Due Soon

In addition to the Religious Emblems available to Scouts, the Committee is also responsible for recognizing adult leaders that have made significant contributions to Catholic Scouting in the Archdiocese.

As your Units are implementing their programs this year, please take the time to nominate your Religious Emblems

Coordinators, Counselors and Facilitators that perform such a critical role in helping your Units and Scouts add "Duty to God" and "A Scout is Reverent" to your programs.

The guidelines for nomination and the required forms are available on the Archdiocesan website at [www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Adult-Nomination-Form-2017-2018.pdf)

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or you can contact the Committee for further information.

The nomination deadline is February 1, 2019.

Catholic Scouting Summit 2019 - Make Plans Now!

The annual Catholic Scouting Summit is an opportunity for the Committee to share our plans and vision with Unit Leaders and get your feedback on ways we can improve Catholic Scouting in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

This year the Summit will be held on January 20, 2019 from 2-5:00 pm at Our Lady of Sorrows in Monroe. We have changed the date and the location for this meeting this year based on feedback from prior participants.

Please plan to send at least one representative from your Unit to join us for an afternoon of fellowship and interaction to help us make Catholic Scouting in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati the best it can be.