

Hello Brother Knights.

My name is Mark Glaudini, and I am the Diocese of San Bernardino Catholic Committee on Scouting Chairman. The Diocese of San Bernardino Catholic Committee on Scouting is tasked with the responsibility of giving guidance, vitality, and leadership in the spiritual phase of Scouting to all Catholic Scouts and Scouters throughout the Diocese of San Bernardino. We currently represent Scouting America, Girl Scouts of America, American Heritage Girls and Campfire Girls.

The National Catholic Committee on Scouting (Scouting America) has many Religious Activities and Programs for Catholic youth.

There are seven Religious Activity Series available to Scouts at all program levels. The **Rosary Series** has five activities that teach young people about the Rosary. The **Marian Series** has five activities that examine Marian Feasts commemorated in the United States. The **American Saint Series** provide an opportunity for Scouts to learn about great men and women who influence American Catholics. The **Modern Saint Series** offers Scouts examples of 20th and 21st century men and women who made an impact on Catholics around the world. The **Faith Series** provides Scouts an opportunity to learn about key elements of Catholic tradition and teaching. The **International Series** offers activities designed to help Scouts understand their connection to the Universal Church and fellow Catholic Scouts in the global community, as well as understand our shared responsibility to care for the Earth. There is also a **Heritage Series** that includes long-standing Religious Activities to which some groups share a special devotion.

It is important to understand that Religious Emblems are not merely awards for completing a set of requirements. Instead, they recognize a young person's growth in faith and how they live out their Catholic faith.

The goal of each Religious Emblem program is to provide an age-appropriate structure where Scouts can grow in faith and apply what they learn to their everyday life.

Part of my vision is to be able to provide Catholic Religious Awards and patches to our Scouts with no cost to them out of pocket. We currently are asking our Scouts/ parents to pay \$25.00 for their medal and parent pin. The Religious Activities patches cost between \$1.50 and \$4.00 each.

Last year the Knights donated approximately \$1000.00 which helped us tremendously. This year we need to increase our donation ask as we have over 50 scouts involved in our emblems programs this year.

I am asking that you prayerfully consider making a monetary donation to our Catholic Committee on Scouting so that we may supply these awards and patches to every Scout that earns them. We would also use these funds to promote Catholic Scouting as a Youth Ministry throughout our Diocese of San Bernardino with your help.

There are two ways in which you can send your donation.

- Zelle to sbcatholicscouting@gmail.com
- Mail a check payable to San Bernardino Catholic Committee on Scouting
 - C/O Manuel Alexandre, Treasurer
 11831 Amethyst Ct, Jurupa Valley CA 91752

I would like to thank you for taking the time to consider donating to Catholic Scouting.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email, sbcatholicscouting@gmail.com, or call me, (909) 896-5832.

Vivat Jesus!

Mark Glaudini

