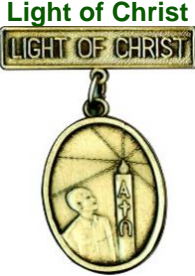





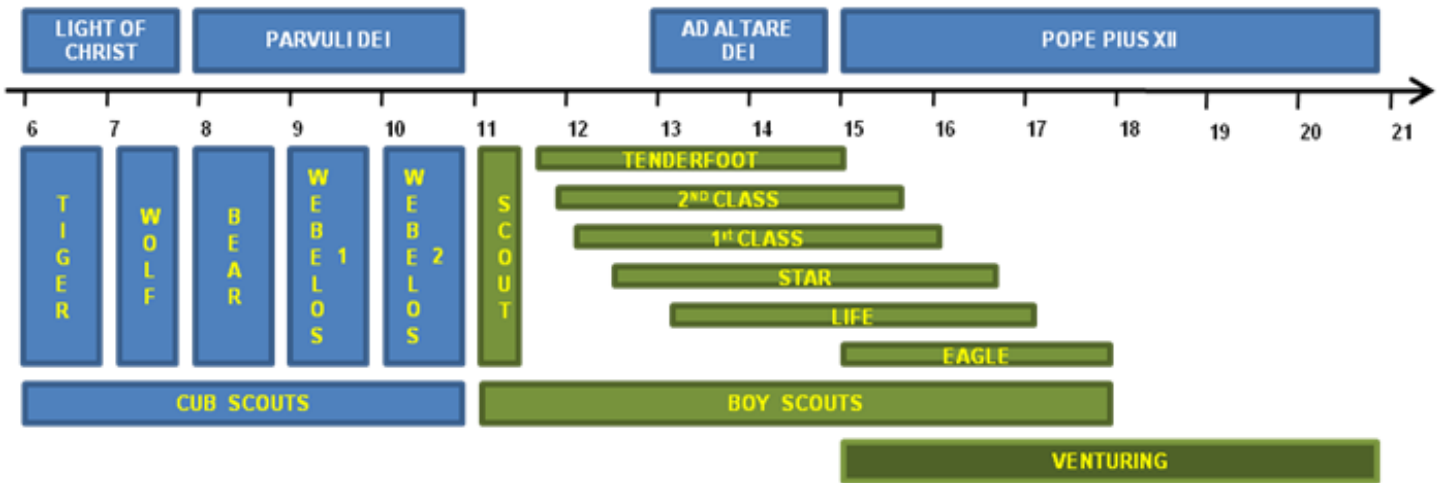
# Catholic Religious Awards and Knots for Scouting

Youth Awards	Eligibility, Purpose and Requirements
<p><b>Light of Christ</b></p> 	<p><b>Eligibility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered 6 and 7 year old (Tiger or Wolf) Cub Scout of Catholic Faith</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose</b></p> <p>The purpose of the <i>Light of Christ</i> award is to help the Cub develop a personal relationship with Jesus. With the parents' active assistance and participation in the program, it is hoped that the Cub will come to see Jesus as a real person and friend.</p> <p><b>Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each Cub have his own <i>Light of Christ</i> Activity Book.</li> <li>The book is designed for the Cub and his parent or guardian to work together.</li> <li>Diocesan and BSA Youth Protection policies must be followed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Parvuli Dei</b></p> 	<p><b>Eligibility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered 8 to 10 year old (Bear or Webelos) of the Catholic Faith.</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose</b></p> <p>The purpose of the <i>Parvuli Dei</i> (Children of God) award is to help the young boys explore a wide range of activities in order to discover the presence of God in their daily lives as members of their families and parishes, and also to discover a good self-image through the contributions they can make to the group or community.</p> <p><b>Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each Cub have his own <i>Parvuli Dei</i> Activity Book.</li> <li>The book is designed for the Cub and his parent or guardian to work together.</li> <li>The Cub will be required to make a banner as part of the requirements.</li> <li>Diocesan and BSA Youth Protection policies must be followed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Ad Altare Dei</b></p> 	<p><b>Eligibility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Boy Scout of the Catholic Faith.</li> <li>Designed for youth 13-14 years old, older boys may use this program.</li> <li>Active member of the Troop for 6 months.</li> <li>Completed 6th grade before starting the program.</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose</b></p> <p>The purpose of the Ad Altare Dei (to the altar of God) program is to help Catholic Boy Scouts of the Roman Rite develop a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. The program is organized in chapters based on the seven Sacraments. The seven Sacraments are a primary means toward spiritual growth.</p> <p><b>Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each Scout must have his own <i>Ad Altare Dei</i> Activity Book.</li> <li>The program is designed to be completed in 6-8 months.</li> <li>The use of a Catholic Bible is required for this program. You will need to have one to use.</li> <li>Regular participation in Sunday worship.</li> <li>Diocesan and BSA Youth Protection policies must be followed.</li> <li>Complete the requirements in the <i>Ad Altare Dei</i> Scout Manual.</li> <li>Successfully complete an <i>Ad Altare Dei</i> Board of Review.</li> <li>A trained religious emblems coordinator/counselor/moderator is required to work on <i>Ad Altare Dei</i> emblems.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Pope Pius XII</b></p>  <p>Designed for Venturing Crew Members and Boy Scouts 15 years old and older.</p>	<p><b>Eligibility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Boy Scout of the Catholic Faith.</li> <li>Designed for age 15-16 year old, but all registered Boy Scouts (in high school) are eligible.</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose</b></p> <p>The program deals with different life choices (single, married, religious, ordained), occupations and ministries in the church as calls from God. It includes youth led discussions on current issues facing the church and society, which are normally included as part of a Pius XII retreat or day of recollection.</p> <p><b>Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each Scout must have their own Activity Book. The program should be run by the candidates themselves, the adult serves as a Moderator. Ideal group size is 4-12, but the course may be run with smaller groups.</li> <li>A number of interviews and an investigation of a controversial issue facing the church or society are integral to the program.</li> <li>A retreat experience, ideally centered on the Pius XII program itself and a ministries service project are required.</li> <li>The program is designed to be completed in 9-12 sessions. As the youth are older, two hour sessions seem to work well, and flexibility is often required in scheduling sessions and interview feed back's.</li> <li>Successfully complete a Pope Pius XII Board of Review.</li> <li>Diocesan and BSA Youth Protection policies must be followed.</li> <li>A trained religious emblems coordinator/counselor/moderator is required to work on <i>Pius XII</i> religious emblems.</li> </ul>



## Devices used on Square Knot Patches



These devices should be stocked by your local Scout Shop or council trading post, along with all other advancement items. They may not be available at commercial Scout supply distributors. These three are used on the universal youth religious award knot



## Adult Recognition Awards

Adult Awards	Eligibility, Purpose and Guidelines for nomination and selection
<p><b>St. George Adult Recognition</b></p>  <p>Nomination forms should give a detailed description of how the nominee provides outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youths through Scouting in the Catholic Church. It is improper to nominate oneself or one's spouse.</p> 	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The St. George Emblem is the National Catholic Committee on Scouting® emblem awarded by a(n) (arch)diocese/eparchy.</li> <li>The purpose of the St. George Emblem is to recognize the recipient's outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the program of the Boy Scouts of America.</li> </ul> <p><b>Eligibility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any adult who is working in the Scouting Program.</li> <li>May be given to clergy, religious, laity, or Scouters of other faiths.</li> <li>A Scouter does not earn the St. George emblem but is recommended by application to a board of review by another person.</li> </ul> <p><b>Guidelines for nomination and selection</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promoting the religious emblems programs for Catholic youths or serving as a counselor, moderator or coordinator. Encouraging non-Catholic youths to participate in the religious emblems programs of their own faiths.</li> <li>Giving notable service in promoting Catholic activities and service projects for the church and being willing to serve on committees for those purposes.</li> <li>Actively participating in and promoting Scout retreats and days of recollection.</li> <li>Giving notable service in organizing and maintaining Catholic-chartered Scouting units including multiple units where needed.</li> <li>Giving notable service in bringing the Catholic program to those youths not in Catholic-chartered Scouting units.</li> <li>Using fully one's general Scouter training as well as "Scouter Development" to provide an outstanding Catholic Scouting program for youths.</li> <li>Arranging opportunities for Mass and other Catholic worship services at camporees and summer camps. These must be consistent with the documents of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Providing also for the spiritual needs of non-Catholic Scouts.</li> <li>Encouraging appropriate ecumenism and Catholic leadership within the various Catholic-chartered Scouting units.</li> <li>Using the Catholic press and other communications media to create a better understanding of the aims and ideals of Scouting as an apostolate to youths.</li> <li>Educating clergy and laity about Scouting as a youth apostolate in the Catholic Church.</li> <li>Giving leadership in promoting Scouting for all youths regardless of race or creed. Helping organize Scouting units for minority and disadvantaged youths.</li> </ul>