



**Annual Scout Religious Award  
Recognition Ceremony  
February 27, 2022**

St. Augustine of Canterbury  
Belleville, Illinois



## **The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting**

**Most Reverend Michael McGovern**  
Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville

**Monsignor Bill McGhee**  
Chaplain

**Daniel O'Keefe**  
Chairman of the Diocesan Committee on Scouting



*Delivering Catholic Youth Ministry Through Scouting Programs*

*Prayerful Silence before the Service Begins*

Cantor: Greeting (Please Rise)

Hymn: "Christ Be Our Light"



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man-y are hun-gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man-y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man-y the gifts, — man-y the peo-ple, man-y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man-y de-spair. Your word a-lone —
3. wa-ter, man-y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man-y are cold. Make us your build-ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be-long. Let us be ser-vants



1. your ho-ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv-ing voice.
3. bro-ken for oth-ers, shared un-til all are fed.
4. shel-ter-ing oth-ers, walls made of liv-ing stone.
5. to one an-oth-er, mak-ing your king-dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark-ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

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**Celebrant:**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: *Amen.*

**Celebrant:**

May the God of all creation, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: *And with your spirit!*

**Celebrant:**

As we come together in God's presence this afternoon, let us pause for a moment, mindful of God who continually watches over us and all of our activities.

Blessed are You, Lord God, of all creation; to You we offer praise, for when we pray we speak of our love for You and of Your love for us. May we show that our hearts are filled with Your love by the way we live our lives so that our neighbors may see your Gospel through our actions and words. We ask this through Jesus our Lord.

All: *Amen. (Please be seated)*

**Reading:**

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.  
*(1 Cor 15:54-58)*

Brothers and sisters:

When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

*Death is swallowed up in victory.*

*Where, O death, is your victory?*

*Where, O death, is your sting?*

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

The Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God*

Cantor: "Alleluia" (Gospel Acclamation) *(Please stand)*

**Gospel:**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. *(Lk 6:39-45)*

All: *Glory to you, O Lord*

## Gospel:

Jesus told his disciples a parable,  
"Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: *Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ*



## **BLESSING OF THE AWARDS AND EMBLEMS**

*(Please Stand)*

Celebrant:

Our Lord God, before us are the symbols of these Scouts' efforts to live their promises to give reverence to You. We ask You to bless these Scouts and these symbols of their devotion to You. Give them a pure heart that they may see You, a humble heart that they hear You, a heart of love that they may serve You, a heart of faith that they may continue to live their lives in fulfillment of their Scout promise to reverence You. We ask this through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen. *(Please be seated)*

## **Homily**

# Girl Scout Awards

*None at this time.*

## SCOUTS BSA AWARDS

### Light of Christ

LIGHT OF CHRIST



#### **Cathedral of St. Peter - Belleville**

Aaliyah Beatty

#### **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Herrin**

Alexander Appleton

Henry Appleton

Rhys Ellett

Logan Mueller

Everett Orso

Henry Walker

#### **St. Clare of Assisi - O'Fallon**

Cameron Herzog

Blaise Magparangalan

### Parvuli Dei

PARVULI DEI



#### **St. Clare of Assisi - O'Fallon**

Lucas Claxton

Declan Egan

Henry Mojzis

Grady Rasmussen

Abigail O'Keefe

Nicholas Tucker

### Ad Altare Dei



#### **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Herrin**

Christopher Banks

Michael Diederich

Nolan Frost

#### **Sts. Peter and Paul - Collinsville**

Ryder Saak

#### **St. Clare of Assisi - O'Fallon**

Colton Brown

Alexander Walford

Brennan Egan

Rowan Egan

#### **Sacred Heart - DuQuoin**

Thomas Brantley

#### **Holy Childhood of Jesus - Mascoutah**

Thomas Harris

## Pope Pius XII



### **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Herrin**

Joseph Hampson  
Blake Peters

Thomas Hampson

### **St. Clare of Assisi- O'Fallon**

Owen Hubbard  
William Kinsella  
George Prentiss Tomlinson

Jack Ingebretsen  
Sean Spain  
Matthew Ueda

## Pillars of Faith



### **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Herrin**

Joseph Hampson  
Blake Peters

Thomas Hampson

### **St. Clare of Assisi- O'Fallon**

Owen Hubbard  
William Kinsella

Jack Ingebretsen  
Matthew Ueda

## Pope Paul VI National Unit Excellence Award



### **Cathedral of St. Peter - Belleville**

Scouts BSA Troop #8011B

### **St. Clare of Assisi - O'Fallon**

Scouts BSA Troop #8094B

## COLLECTION

*All of the Religious Awards presented today are paid for through donations to the Diocesan Committee on Scouts. Please help us to continue to provide Catholic education to the Scouts of our Diocese through your prayers and donations. Just place your donation in the collection baskets.*

*You can also send any donations to:*

**The Diocesan Committee on Scouting**  
**24 Janet Drive**  
**Belleville, IL 62226**

*Thank you for your generous support!*

# ADULT SCOUT RELIGIOUS AWARDS

## BRONZE PELICAN AWARD



The *Bronze Pelican* emblem is a diocesan recognition. The image of a pelican is used for this medal because the adult pelican gives of itself to nurture its young. This medal recognizes the selfless dedication of those adults who receive it to the Catholic Scouts of our Diocese.

## St. George Award



The St. George emblem is a national recognition. St. George is the patron saint of knighthood in England. He was known as a defender of virtue even at the risk of life itself, and is a person who spent his life in services of others. The St. George medal gives a special recognition to those adults who made a significant and outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in scouting. Only two St. George medals may be awarded by the Diocese each year.

## **“The MSGR. URBAN KUHL LIFETIME OF SERVICE” AWARD**

Monsignor Urban Kuhl served as the Chaplain of the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting for many years and had been a supporter of Scouting in the Catholic Church throughout his life. This included holding Mass at Scout camping events over the years in all kinds of good and foul weather. He did so without complaint even though he had consistent pain in his back that made it difficult to stand and walk for extended periods of time. This award in his honor is to recognize those adults whose service to Catholic Scouts has already earned them the national recognition of either the St. George or St. Ann Awards, but who have continued to provide years of service to the Catholic youth of our Diocese.

The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouts is deeply grateful to this year’s Award recipient for many years of unselfish, dedicated service to the scouts and youth of our Diocese.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Please Stand)

How wonderful, O God, are the works of Your hands; the heavens declare Your glory, the arch of the sky displays your handiwork. In Your love You have given us the power to behold the beauty of Your world, robed in all its splendor. The sun and the stars, the valleys and the hills, the rivers, lakes and streams all disclose Your presence. The roaring breakers of the sea tell of Your awesome might; the animals in the field and the birds in the sky proclaim Your wondrous will. All life comes forth from You.

"And so, we ask You, Lord God, blessed above all, to bless us in all things through Christ, so that whatever happens in our lives will work together for the good. And may Almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Go, in the peace of Christ.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "America the Beautiful"



1. O beau - ti - ful for spa - ci - ous skies, For am - ber waves of grain,
2. O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress
3. O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - at - ing strife,
4. O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream That sees be - yond the years



1. For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!
2. A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!
3. Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than life!
4. Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, Un - dimmed by hu - man tears!



1. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
2. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,
3. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,
4. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,



1. And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.
2. Con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law.
3. Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, And ev - 'ry gain di - vine.
4. And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.

Text: CMD; Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929. Music: Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903.

***A Very Special Thanks to Natie Climaco and Rita Schaefer for lending their musical talent to this year's program.***

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## Girl Scout Recognitions

### God is Love



The *God Is Love* program is designed for use with students who are in kindergarten or first grade. The program helps students discover an appreciation that God created, cares for, and loves us all.

### Family of God



#### **Brownie (or Junior)**

The Family of God Award is for Girl Scouts and Camp Fire girls, ages 7 to 9, or in the second and third grades. The Family of God is an activity series developed to compliment the Catechetical efforts of the parish and families. It's purpose is to help girls discover the presence of God in their daily lives as members of their family and parish.

### I live My Faith



#### **Junior (or Cadette)**

The I Live My Faith program is designed to help Girl Scouts and Camp Fire members, ages 9 to 11, appreciate more deeply the place that God and religion occupy in their daily life. Youth recognize their potential as a growing person, friend, and member of their family, a citizen, and a participant in the community of faith.

### Mary, the First Disciple



#### **Cadette (or Senior)**

Mary, the First Disciple, is for Catholic young women ages 12 to 15. It involves these youth in an understanding of Mary as the model of openness and spirituality -- a woman of the Church. Through this program, young ladies gain the opportunity to develop new insights into their personalities, their friends, parents and the world around them.

### The Spirit Alive



#### **Senior or Ambassador**

The Spirit Alive program is designed for Catholic youth in high school who are in the Senior level or higher of Girl Scouts or are Horizon Club members of Camp Fire. It assists them in discovering how the Holy Spirit moves in their lives, calling them to greater participation in the church's ministry.

# Scouts BSA Awards



<p><b>Light of Christ</b></p>	<p><b>Cub Scout Tiger or Wolf</b></p> <p>The <i>Light of Christ</i> program helps the Cub Scout develop a personal relationship with Jesus. A Cub Scout earns this religious emblem by completing all steps in the Light of Christ Activity Book, to the satisfaction of his parents, <i>before</i> he starts third grade.</p>
<p><b>Parvuli Dei</b></p>	<p><b>Cub Scout Bear or Webelos</b></p> <p>The <i>Parvuli Dei</i> (Children of God) program helps Bear Cub and Webelos Scouts discover the presence of God in their daily lives, as a member of a family, parish and community. A Cub Scout earns this religious emblem by completing all steps in the Parvuli Dei Activity Book, to the satisfaction of his parents, <i>before</i> he becomes a Scout BSA or finishes fifth grade.</p>
<p><b>Ad Altare Dei</b></p>	<p><b>Scouts BSA</b></p> <p>The <i>Ad Altare Dei</i> (to the altar of God) program is for Scouts who completed sixth grade, <i>before</i> beginning the program, &amp; are not yet 18 years old. Scouts relate the knowledge of their faith in areas of the seven Sacraments. Their active participation in the Church should take on new meaning.</p>
<p><b>Pope Pius XII</b></p>	<p><b>Scouts BSA</b></p> <p>The <i>Pope Pius XII</i> program is available to any Catholic Boy Scout who has started ninth grade. The Pope Pius XII program deals with Church related ministries and vocations.</p>
<p><b>Pillar Of Faith</b></p>	<p><b>Scouts BSA</b></p> <p>The <i>Pillar of Faith</i> program provides a special recognition to those Scouts who have earned all four of the Catholic Religious Emblems: The Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, and the Pope Pius XII emblems. The name and design of the award represent the four religious emblems like pillars, supporting the Scout's development and appreciation o the Catholic faith. The religious emblems are the pillars, not the roof, for none of us are ever done growing in our faith.</p>

## **Are you called to be actively involved in bettering the lives of our Catholic youth?**

The purpose of the Diocese of Belleville Catholic Committee on Scouting is to give guidance, vitality, and leadership in the spiritual phase of Scouting to all Catholic scouts and scouters of the diocese.



### **Emblem Counselor Training**

A counselor approved by the Catholic Committee on Scouting, Diocese of Belleville is required to offer the religious emblems designated for Scouts BSA and older, especially the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII programs. This training will prepare and qualify an adult to serve as a Religious Emblems Counselor.

**For Future Religious Emblem Class Schedules  
Please visit our website:**

**[www.diobellescout.org](http://www.diobellescout.org)**



### **Scouts BSA Award Questions?**

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