

EARN YOUR CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS EMBLEM at the Ad Altare Dei Emblem Retreat

The retreat dates are:

- 1st weekend - December 4-6, 2015
- 2nd weekend – February 26-28, 2016
at Stearns Scout Camp
South Haven, MN

The Ad Altare Dei Emblem Retreat is a two weekend retreat.

Scouts must be able to commit to both weekends to attend.

The Ad Altare Dei emblem program is offered through the National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS). Each diocese has a Catholic Committee on Scouting, the Catholic Committee from the Archdiocese of St Paul-Minneapolis oversees the emblem programs for all Boy Scouts; Cub, Boy, Venture and works with Council of Catholic Women to help promote Girl Scout and American Heritage Girls. Emblems.

Eligibility for Ad Altare Dei Emblem

- Must be a registered Boy Scout or Venture Scout, male or female, of Catholic faith.
- Has been baptized in the Catholic faith.
- Has been an active member of his/her Troop /Crew for 6 months. *NCCS in April 2013 approved this emblem to be earned by girls in Venture Crews or Ships who are between the ages of 13-15.*
- **Has completed 6th grade**

ENCOURAGED:

Must practice their faith through Faith Formation or Religious Education within parish and attend Mass regularly.

Attend Day of Reflection at Saint John Vianney Seminary located on St Thomas University in Saint Paul. **November 14^h, 2015**

The AAD emblem program covers the seven sacraments and a Scout's relationship with God and Scouting. Over the 1st and 2nd retreat weekends the Scout will explore each sacrament.

Each scout is expected to purchase their own Ad Altare Dei workbook



Newer cover

AAD Youth Manuals may be purchased through any Scout Shop Or through BSA Supply <http://www.scoutstuff.org>

Cost: around \$5.00

[Cover of workbook has changed but materials inside is basically the same].

In the front of the workbook there is a form in which **a scout must obtain five signatures**. He must obtain four of the five before coming to the retreat:

- Scout's signature
- Parents signature
- Scoutmaster's/Advisor's signature
- Pastor's signature
- *Scout will get Counselor signature at the retreat.

Each Scout will have Home Study which will include several Service Projects. They can start working on Home Study and Service Projects as soon as they register. Each Scout will receive a link in their confirmation email to obtain a Participant Guide. Once guide is downloaded the scout can locate the Home Study Checklist and start working the program. All Home Study and Service Projects need to be completed before returning for 2nd weekend. A conference with their unit leader [Scoutmaster or Venture Advisor], is also required before second weekend which includes telling Unit Leader what you have learned and obtaining his/her signature on chapters.

- Mass will be part of both weekends.

On Saturday evening and Sunday morning of the 2nd weekend each scout will have the opportunity to attend the required Board of Review.

The cost is \$90.00 per Scout. The cost of emblem retreat covers two weekends which includes: meals, lodging, activities, emblem and parent pin.

Registration is limited. To register go to: <http://2015aademblemretreat.eventbrite.com/>

Event registration closes November 28, 2015 or when all spots have been filled

For more information contact the Retreat Director at aademblemretreat@gmail.com

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