

PILLARS OF FAITH AWARD BSA: DUTY TO GOD

Overview

The Diocese of Joliet Catholic Committee on Scouting has adopted the Pillars of Faith award program to recognize Scouts who demonstrate noteworthy achievement in the Catholic Religious Awards program. The purpose of the Pillars of Faith program is to provide a special recognition for members of the BSA who have earned all four of the Catholic Religious Emblems. For every 100 boys who join Scouting, only 4% reach the rank of Eagle. Even fewer Scouts earn a Religious Emblem, so to earn all four Catholic Religious Emblems is a monumental feat. The Pillars of Faith -



Duty to God pin recognizes these Scouts. The name and design of the award represent the fact that the four Religious Emblems are like pillars, supporting the Scout's development in and appreciation of his Catholic faith. The Religious Emblems are the pillars, not the roof, for none of us are ever done growing in our faith. The design also includes the Church, Bible, and cross, as these are essential elements in our faith. Eligibility: The Scout must have completed Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, and Pope Pius XII and be a member of any organization that uses these four Religious Emblems. Previous Years Scouts who have earned all four Religious Emblems in are eligible provided all paperwork is received prior to their 21st birthday

Presentation of the Pillars of Faith Pin

This award will be presented as the highest religious recognition that a Scout can achieve while they are on the Scouting Trail. **The Pillars of Faith pin is not mailed in advance. It is ONLY presented at the formal Awards Mass & Ceremony**, usually held in April of each year (see the [JDCCS website](#) for date). We want to make the presentation very special, so the Scout understands the magnitude of what they have achieved. It should be presented in a timely manner so be sure to submit your applications prior to March 1 of each year to ensure it is awarded that year.

Wearing the Pillars of Faith Pin

The recipient can wear the pin on their Scout uniform. Additionally, once the recipient becomes an adult, he can wear the pin on his adult Scout uniform or as a lapel pin. The Pillars of Faith pin can be worn proudly at both Scouting and other events. For more information regarding the Pillars of Faith pin. please contact the Committee at 815-834-4012 or jolietcatholicscouts@gmail.com

APPLICATION/ORDER FORM

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Please Print Neatly This Information is for the Certificate

Name of Recipient: _____ Unit _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Parish: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Counselors Name: _____ Counselors Phone: _____

Dates Work Completed for the Following Religious Emblems and Service Work Date(s):

NCCS Emblems: Light of Christ _____ / _____ / _____ Parvuli Dei _____ / _____ / _____

Ad Altare Dei _____ / _____ / _____ Pope Pius XII _____ / _____ / _____

Shipping Address (if different from above): Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

In case we need to contact you: Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Pillars of Faith Duty to God Pins Quantity _____ x \$8.00 ea. Total \$ _____

Please make your check or money order payable to "Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting".

Send completed order form with payment to:

Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting
Pillars of Faith - Duty to God
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill Illinois 60403