



CATHOLIC SCOUTING



Fishers of Men – Saturday Oct 3, 2026 9:00a.m. -3:00 p.m.



Capped
Attendance,
Register Early!

Come Out for a Great Time Fishing

Saturday, October 3, 2026



Chicago Catholic Scouting presents
a Duty to God event:
Fishers of Men

Held at:
University of St. Mary of the Lake
1000 East Maple Ave
Mundelein, IL

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19

Come out to fish at the lake at Mundelein Seminary, the University of St. Mary of the Lake. The lake is open to Scouts to fish it just ONCE a year. This is it for 2026. Just look at what

you can catch in this lake: **Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, Black Crappie, Carp, Channel Catfish, Grass Carp, Yellow Perch, Bluegill Hybrid, Golden Shiner, and Yellow Bullhead.**

All fishing is catch and release. No fishing license is required.

Bring your own pole, equipment, and bait. All Scouts should wear their Scouting uniform shirt, wear your class-B scout t-shirt under your field uniform shirt. **Bring your lunch, drinking water, and other refreshments as needed.** Don't forget your hat, chair, sunscreen and anything else needed for the weather (whether hot or cold, dry or wet).



Why come out?

- ✓ Scouting fun with other Catholic scouts!
- ✓ Learn about the day in the life of a seminarian
- ✓ Learn how a seminarian becomes a priest
- ✓ Learn how someone becomes a seminarian
- ✓ Enjoy the beautiful campus and the stunning lake
- ✓ For Scouts BSA, work on your fishing merit badge (PARTIAL badge available)
- ✓ For Cub Scouts, work on your rank's FISHING ADVENTURE and DUTY TO GOD requirements

The Fishing Merit Badge: We will try to have at least 1 Fishing merit badge counselor at the event. Scouts working on this merit badge should bring a blue card from their troop pre-approved and already signed by their Scoutmaster.

Put your name on the email distribution list for notice when registration opens, paying by Zeffy.com, and future information on programming updates, email ScouterTonySteenkolk@gmail.com

If you have any questions, reach out to Tony Steenkolk, at cell (208) 921-2417, or email ScouterTonySteenkolk@gmail.com

See the website for Chicago Catholic Scouting, www.ChicagoCatholicScouting.org

This flyer and information on Fishers of Men is posted there.

Don't fish? Come teach yourself!

- Registration fee: Just \$10.00
- Free patch with registration
- Check in starts 9:00 am
- Event runs overall from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Program of group lunch, talk by seminarian, & chapel tour is 12 noon to 1:30 pm, subject to change

Register and pay
at Zeffy.com,
use this QR code



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Fee is Non-Refundable on Sept 20th.





**CATHOLIC
SCOUTING**



Archdiocese
of Chicago

Ad Altare Dei & Pope Pius XII
Day of Recollection



***Saturday Oct 10, 2026: 9 am – 3 pm**



St. Mathew's Campus – Holy Archangels Parish
951 E. Schaumburg Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60194
Questions: Nancy Kleiber nankleiber76@gmail.com

To Register: Oct 10 Link or QR code <https://www.zeffv.com/en-US/ticketing/october-10-2026-ad-altare-deipope-pius-xii-day-of-recollection>

OR

***Saturday Oct 24, 2026: 9 am – 3 pm**

Slovenian Catholic Mission/ St. Mary's Seminary
14252 Main Street Lemont, IL 60439
Questions: Tim Weithers sequassen4@aol.com



To Register: Oct 24 Link or QR code <https://www.zeffv.com/en-US/ticketing/october-24-2026-ad-altare-deipope-pius-xii-day-of-recollection-lemont>

***Both locations will be earning the Pope Leo XIV Patch!**

Download a PDF with information about how to earn this Religious Activity patch

<https://nccs-bsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Faith-Pope-Vicar-of-Christ.pdf>

New Catholic scouting patch honors Pope Leo XIV

The Religious Activities Committee of the National Catholic Committee on Scouting has released five new Religious Activity programs. The first is in the Faith Series: Pope – Vicar of Christ. In this activity, youth will learn more about our first American born Pope – Pope Leo XIV, the 267th Pope. Did you know he was a Cub Scout while he was growing up in Chicago! In addition, they will learn what the papacy means and its history.



2026 Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII

Boards of Review

- **Mon Dec 7th** St. Francis Xavier School 7-9 pm;
Contact: Tim Weithers sequassen4@aol.com
- **Tues Dec 8th** St. Symphorosa, Chicago 6-8 pm;
Contact: Sharon Cisneros shark1@sbcglobal.net
- **Wed Dec 9th** Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Glenview 7-9 pm;
Contact: Dan Peterson dan@cambusmoon.com
- **Thurs Dec 10th** St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr, Tinley Park 6:30-8:30 pm;
Contact: Deb Sitz dcgsitz@gmail.com
- **Thurs Dec 10th** St. Joseph, Libertyville 7-9 pm;
Contact: Tony Steenkolk scoutertonysteenkolk@gmail.com

2028 St. George Trek Application-**Due October 15, 2027.**

The Catholic Committee on Scouting is taking applications for the next St. George Trek at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron New Mexico, scheduled for July 2028. Applications are due October 15, 2027.

Contact Deb Sitz with any questions. debsitz@aol.com

Please check the website for the application.

Adult Events

- **Religious Emblems Counselor and Facilitator Training**
Monday, Oct 5 6:30-8:30 pm via zoom.
Please contact Nancy Kleiber nankleiber76@gmail.com to register.
Saturday, Nov 7 (in person) at NEIC Scouting University Please register on-line through NEIC website.



- **Catholic Unit Pope Paul VI Unit Excellence Award: **Deadline November 14, 2026****
For more information: [Unit Awards – NCCS-BSA](#) <https://nccs-bsa.org/unit->
- **Applications for Catholic Adult Emblems: **Deadline November 14, 2026****
(Please complete the on-line forms see below links.)



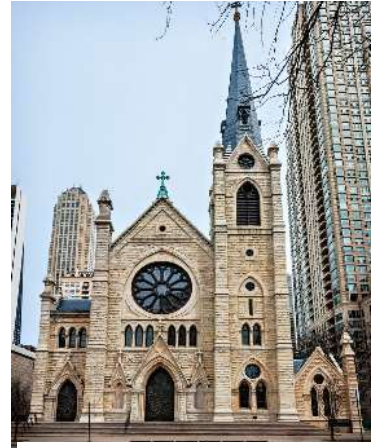
- **The Bronze Pelican Emblem:** This emblem is granted to those adults who have achieved and exhibited a balance between religious and scouting activities in their work with the youth of Scouting. **Bronze Pelican Award** <https://chicagocatholicscouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Bronze-Pelican-Award.pdf>



- **The St. George Emblem:** This emblem is the highest honor that ACCCS can bestow on adults. The emblem recognizes the adult recipient's outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the program of Scouting America. **St George nomination form** <https://chicagocatholicscouting.org/adult-scouters/>

Save the Dates:

- ❖ **Holy Name Cathedral**, Religious Emblems Ceremony,
January 31, 2027
- ❖ **St. George Dinner**, Sunday **April 25, 2027**, European Chalet



Holy Name Cathedral

Pope – Vicar of Christ patch

<https://nccs-bsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Faith-Pope-Vicar-of-Christ.pdf>

Pope – Vicar of Christ

This activity explores the role of the pope as Vicar of Christ. The patch for this activity features an image of Pope Leo XIV, the 267th pope, who is the first pontiff born in America. Did you know he was a Cub Scout while he was growing up in Chicago?

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