

Answers to Requirements

- 1) Parater was born October 10, 1897 in Richmond VA.
- 2) Parater was able to achieve the rank of Eagle. He was the scribe for his Troop 32 and the official photographer of Richmond Council. He was also a camp director for Camp Ackerman in Plainfield, NJ.
- 3) Parater attended Xaverian Brothers School and Benedictine High School in Richmond VA. He studied for the priesthood at Belmont Abbey Seminary College in NC and then attended the Pontifical North American College in Rome.
- 4) Parater's goal was "to strive by every possible means to become a pure and worthy priest..." He attended Mass and received Holy Communion daily and prayed the Rosary and Memorare. He dedicated his life to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- 5) Parater began his studies in Rome the fall of 1919 and in January was hospitalized with rheumatic fever. To receive communion at his Last Rites, he knelt on his bed.
- 6) Frank Parater died on Feb 7, 1920. And he is buried in the College Mausoleum at Camp Verano in Rome.

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Frequently Asked Questions

May only Catholics or Scouts earn this? Who may earn this activity patch?

Any youth or adult may earn any of the activity patches. The requirements are grade-specific.

Is this activity considered a Religious Emblem and may a Scout receive a religious knot after completing this activity?

No. This activity is considered a Religious Activity, not a Religious Emblem program. Scouts may not receive a religious knot for earning this activity patch.

Will there be more Saint Activity Patches?

Yes. There may be additional Saint patches released, from time to time.

Who may serve as an adult mentor for this activity?

Any parent or adult who meets the standard BSA and diocesan safe environment requirements.

Is there any time requirement?

Only that the grade-specific requirements need to be completed while in the respective grade level.

Do the answers need to be submitted?

No. The answers should be reviewed by an adult. The Order Form and patch fee are the only things that need to be submitted.

Whom do I check with once I complete the requirements for my grade level?

Any knowledgeable parent, Scout leader, group leader, priest, religious or catechist.

American Saint Series



Servant of God Frank Parater Activity Patch



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American Saint Series Activities

The American Saint Series honors men and women who led heroic lives of faith that have greatly influenced American Catholics. Their words, their deeds, and their devotion to prayer and the sacraments, inspire all American Catholics. Some of these men and women are canonized as "Saints" and are venerated by the Universal Church. Some are beatified as "Blessed" and are venerated by the Local Church. Some are honored as "Venerable" and, while on the way to becoming a "Saint", may be venerated by Catholics. Most of these men and women lived and worked in North America in what is now the United States. Some others never set foot in America, however they had a huge impact on the Catholic American landscape. All of them sought to follow Jesus.

Requirements for Servant of God Frank Parater Activity Patch

All – Read about Servant of God Frank Parater. You can find the answers to these questions on <https://christbearers.wordpress.com/2013/02/07/frank-parater-for-virginia/>, <http://catholicism.org/francis-parater-boy-scouts.html>. Feel free to use other resources.

1st thru 5th Grades - Complete 5 requirements and 2 activities.

6th thru 12th Grades - Complete 6 requirements and 3 activities.

Requirements:

- 1) When and where was Frank Parater born?
- 2) Parater joined Boy Scouts in his teens – what rank was he able to achieve? What were some of his responsibilities in Scouts?
- 3) What was Parater's educational path?
- 4) Parater's devotion to his faith was exceptional. He created his Rule of Life – to whom did he dedicate his life?
- 5) How long was Parater studying in Rome before he got sick? What illness took his life? What final act on his death bed sets him apart?
- 6) When did Parater die, and where is he buried?

Activities:

- 1) Parater wrote the following Rule of Life: *Be large minded. Don't be a bluffer. Be frank, but be gentle. Love the poor. Make every minute count. Strive to be a man of your ideals. Let your charity be unbounded. Don't be disheartened at failures.* Think about what part(s) you should follow for your Rule of Life. Write your own Rule of Life and share them with your parent/counselor.
- 2) With your parents' permission, watch the following video about Frank Parater. [Fr. Frank Parater - YouTube](#)
- 3) Parater felt it was a Scout's duty to share his faith with non-Catholics. Share your faith with a friend who is not Catholic.
- 4) Parater felt it was important to attend Mass say the Rosary and the Memorare daily. Imitate Parater and do all three in one day. Discuss how these actions could change your life.

Requirements for Adults:

- 1) Assist the youth with this American Saint Activity.
- 2) Share your thoughts with the youth about this American Saint.
- 3) Review the responses to the requirements of each youth participant to confirm their accuracy and to ensure his/her understanding.
- 4) Complete the order form for this American Saint Activity and submit it with payment for the patch to NCCS.