

Answers to Requirements

- 1) Petra, Spanish Majorca on November 24, 1713.
- 2) He taught philosophy and theology at Lullian University.
- 3) While traveling on foot from Vera Cruz to Mexico City, he injured his leg in such a way that he suffered from it throughout his life, though he continued to make his journeys on foot whenever possible.
- 4) In Mexico and California, where he founded nine missions.
- 5) The Serra Club is an international Catholic organization dedicated to the promotion of vocations, and the support of seminarians and religious novices.

Visit www.nccs-bsa.org for information on how to order patches for any of our religious activities.

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 program 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



Saint Junipero Serra 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 Saint Junipero Serra Activity Patch

All – Read about this saint. You can find the answers to these questions on www.americancatholic.com or www.catholic.org. Feel free to use other resources.

1st thru 5th Grades - Complete 4 requirements and 2 activities OR visit a Junipero Serra Shrine with your family or group.

6th thru 12th Grades - Complete 5 requirements and 3 activities OR visit a Junipero Serra Shrine with your family or group.

Requirements:

- 1) Where and when was he born?
- 2) After he was ordained, what was the work he did and where before he became a missionary?
- 3) Why did he have so much difficulty walking?
- 4) Where did he carry out the majority of his ministry and how many missions did he found?
- 5) What present day organization is named after him? What is their role?

Activities:

- 1) Discuss with your family or counselor some of the values that you admire most about St. Junípero Serra. What is he known for? How can you be more like him?
- 2) Draw a picture showing some of his accomplishments. Share this picture with your family.
- 3) St. Junípero Serra traveled 900 miles before starting his first mission in San Diego, California. Plan and participate in a fundraising event such as a 5 or 10K walk to benefit mission work in your community.
- 4) St. Junípero Serra sought the famous “Regulation” from Spanish leaders, to help protect Indigenous peoples and the missions in California. Do you see any injustices in the world? Write a “Bill of Rights” that you feel will protect those individuals being treated unjustly. Discuss with your family or counselor some of the reasons why it is important.

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.