

## Answers to Requirements

- 1) Casey was born Nov. 25, 1870 in Oak Grove WI as Bernard Francis Casey – he was the sixth child to immigrant parents from Ireland. <http://solanusc Casey.org>
- 2) Casey was 27 when he took the name Fr. Francis Solanus in the Capuchin monastery in Detroit. <http://solanusc Casey.org>
- 3) Casey was ordained a “simplex priest”, unable to hear confessions or preach doctrine. He was a sacristan and doorkeeper. <http://solanusc Casey.org>
- 4) Fr. Solanus was assigned first to Sacred Heart Friary, Yonkers NY, then Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, New York City, Our Lady of Angels, Harlem NY, St. Bonaventure, Detroit MI, and St. Felix Friary, Huntington IN. <http://solanusc Casey.org>
- 5) “I have two loves: the sick and the poor”. He prayed for all who are sick in body, mind or spirit. <http://solanusc Casey.org>
- 6) Fr. Solanus Casey was beatified by Pope Francis on November 18, 2017 <http://www.solanusc Casey.org/beatification>
- 7) Fr. Solanus’ Feast Day is July 30.

Visit [www.nccs-bsa.org](http://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 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.

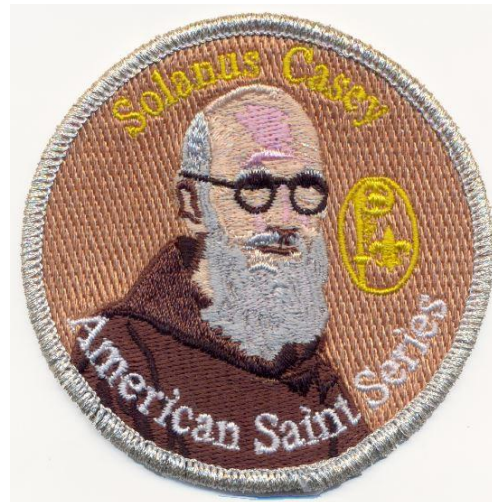
### Do the answers need to be submitted?

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



### Blessed Solanus Casey 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 Blessed Solanus Casey Activity Patch

**All** – Read about Blessed Solanus Casey. You can find the answers to these questions on [www.solanuscenter.org](http://www.solanuscenter.org) or [www.solanuscasy.org](http://www.solanuscasy.org). Feel free to use other resources.

**K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grades** - Complete 5 requirements and 2 activities OR visit the Solanus Casey Shrine in Detroit MI.

**6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grades** - Complete 6 requirements and 3 activities OR visit the Solanus Casey Shrine in Detroit MI.

### Requirements:

- 1) When and where was Fr. Solanus Casey born? And what was his given name?
- 2) How old was Casey when he entered religious life? What congregation did he join?
- 3) Fr. Solanus didn't do well academically in seminary, what were his duties when he was ordained?
- 4) At which (local) missions did Fr. Solanus work?
- 5) Casey had two loves during his ministry – what were they?
- 6) When was Fr. Solanus Casey Beatified?
- 7) What is the Feast Day of Fr. Solanus Casey?

### Activities:

- 1) Fr. Solanus had a passion for poor and sick – volunteer at a shelter helping those in need.
- 2) Fr. Solanus established the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit. Volunteer at a soup kitchen in your area.
- 3) Fr. Solanus had much compassion for those who are sick. Create a card or letter for someone in a hospital/nursing home, and deliver it in person to cheer/pray with the person.
- 4) Fr. Solanus was a doorkeeper, greeting visitors to the monastery. As a doorkeeper he was a friend to many. Spend one day greeting all you meet with an open heart, noting how that impacts those you greet.

### 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.

**For more information about Blessed Solanus Casey, check out the websites below.**

- <http://www.americancatholic.org/>
- <http://www.catholic.org/>
- <http://www.saintsresource.com/>