

## Answers to Requirements

- Fr. Sevin was intrigued by the Scouting program of Baden-Powell. It had been criticized by Catholic theologians in France, but Fr. Sevin thought it would be a good educational program for Catholic youth; it would help develop committed lay people and be a source for vocations. He traveled to England to meet with B-P in 1913.
- “Le Scoutisme;” Scouts de France was established in 1920.
- Pope Pius XI approved the Scouting program for Catholic youth in 1926; Pope Benedict XVI beatified Fr. Sevin in 2012.
- Fr. Sevin established the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross of Jerusalem; four Girl Guides from the Scouts de France were among the first members.

## Answers to Activity number 3

- St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Therese de Lisieux, St. Teresa of Avila

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### May only Catholics or Scouts earn this activity patch?

Any youth or adult – Scouts or non-Scouts, Catholic or non-Catholic, American or International – all are welcome to participate in the program.

### 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 completing this activity.

### Will there be more International Activity Patches?

Yes. There will be new International Activity Patches after the 2023 World Scout Jamboree.

### 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.

## International Scouting



### Venerable Jacques Sevin Activity Patch



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## About This Activity

The goal of this Religious Activity is to learn about the Father of Catholic Scouting. Fr. Jacques Sevin started the Catholic Scouting movement that is now an international organization. When Lord Baden-Powell introduced Scouting to France, many priests objected to Scouting. Fr. Sevin saw the benefits and started the first Catholic Scouting unit in 1918 and consecrated it to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Learn how all our Catholic Scout units are united because of Fr. Sevin's vision.

## Requirements for Venerable Jacques Sevin Activity Patch

**All** – Read about Venerable Jacques Sevin. You can find the answers to these questions on [Meet the Father of Catholic Scouting, Venerable Jacques Sevin \(aleteia.org\)](#) or [July 18th: Servant of God Jacques Sevin, SJ – The Jesuits](#). Feel free to use other resources.

**1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grades** - Complete 4 requirements and 2 activities.

**6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grades** - Complete 5 requirements and 3 activities

### Requirements:

- 1) Venerable Fr. Jacques Sevin is considered the “Father of Catholic Scouting.” Read about Fr. Sevin and his connection to Scouting.
- 2) When and why did Fr. Sevin travel from France to England to meet Lord Robert Baden-Powell?
- 3) What is the name of the Catholic Scout handbook written by Fr. Sevin? In what year did Fr. Sevin establish the first Catholic Scout troop in France?
- 4) Which Pope approved the Scouting program for Catholic boys? In what year? Which Pope beatified Fr. Sevin (gave him the title “Venerable”)? In what year?
- 5) What is Fr. Jacques Sevin's connection to Girl Guides and Scouts?

### Activities:

- 1) Venerable Jacques Sevin loved Catholic Scouting. Draw a picture of what you enjoy being a Catholic Scout - share it with your family or Scout unit.
- 2) At the web site above, find the prayer that Venerable Jacques Sevin taught his Scouts – “Lord Jesus, teach us to be generous...” Share that prayer with your family or Scout unit.
- 3) Several saints had an important influence on Fr. Sevin. Name at least one and explain how he/she influenced his life. Visit [Catholic Online - World's Catholic Library](#) and choose a patron saint for yourself. Write a short prayer asking your patron saint to intercede for you for a special intention.

### Requirements for Adults:

- 1) Assist youth with this International Scouting Activity.
- 2) Visit [www.nccs-bsa.org/religious-activities/](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/religious-activities/) to learn about additional “International Activities” available through NCCS and ICCS.
- 3) Assist one or more youth in earning the International Catholic Awareness pin/patch/medallion.
- 4) Visit [www.scouting.org/messengersofpeace.aspx](http://www.scouting.org/messengersofpeace.aspx) to learn about the Messengers of Peace initiative.
- 5) Assist your Scout unit in registering a service project or activity on the Messengers of Peace web site.
- 6) Review the responses to the requirements of each youth participant to confirm their accuracy and to ensure understanding.
- 7) Complete the order form for this International Scouting Activity and submit it with payment for the patch to NCCS.