

Answers to Requirements

- 1) Born- April 6, 1901 in Turin, Italy. Died- July 4, 1925 in Turin, Italy. Feast Day, July 4.
- 2) Beatification was held on May 20, 1990 by Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square in Vatican City. Pope John Paul II made him patron of World Youth Days. Other patronages include students, young Catholics, mountaineers, youth groups, Catholic Action, and Dominican tertiaries.
- 3) The three Apostolates are: good example, charity, and persuasion. Read more at this link: <https://frassatiusa.org/his-three-apostolates>
- 4) The miracle occurred on December 28, 1933 when Domenico Sellan was healed from Pott's disease, which was a tuberculosis in the spine. He was paralyzed and near death. Learn more at this site: <https://frassatiusa.org/first-miracle>
- 5) He contracted a severe case of polio and died within a week. Polio is now prevented with vaccine. His grandmother was dying from old age. The family was focused on her and didn't know that Pier Giorgio was ill until the last day or two before his death.
- 6) mountain climbing; Verso l'Alto".

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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 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 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.

Modern Saint Series



Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Activity Patch



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Modern Saint Series Activities

The Modern Saint Series honors 20th and 21st century men and women who have had a profound impact on many people around the globe. The goal of each activity in this series is to share the lives of these great men and women so that young people might relate to what they have done and look to them as role models. Some have the rank of “saint” and are venerated by the universal Church. Some have the rank of “blessed” and are venerated by the local Church. Some have the rank of “venerable” and, while on the way to becoming a “saint”, may be venerated by Catholics.

Requirements for Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Activity Patch

All—Read about Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. You can find detailed information about his life, death and beatification at the following link: <https://frassatiusa.org/>. There are also many YouTube videos about his life including <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XaFLo36mYkA>

1st thru 5th Grades – Complete 4 requirements and 2 activities.

6th thru 12th Grades – Complete 5 requirements and 3 activities.

Requirements:

- 1) Pier Giorgio Frassati was a young man who believed in living your life fully. Learn about his short but inspirational life in at least one of the online resources. When and where was he born? When and where did he die? What is his feast day?
- 2) When, where and who beatified Pier Giorgio? Name at least two of his patronages.
- 3) In a speech that Pier Giorgio gave to young people in 1923, he spoke about three Apostolates. What are they?
- 4) What miracle was attributed to Pier Giorgio and led to his beatification?
- 5) What illness did Pier Giorgio die from? Who else in his family was also ill?
- 6) Pier Giorgio loved sports. What was his favorite past-time? What “motto” came from that sport that shows his Catholic philosophy on life and adventure?

Activities:

- 1) Pier Giorgio enjoyed various sports, hobbies and activities. Visit this link to learn about his interests: <https://frassatiusa.org/his-interests>
Do you have any of the same interests? Share what you learned with a friend.
- 2) Pier Giorgio once wrote a simple note on a photograph after a climb, “Verso l’Alto”, which means “to the heights”. In his life, this did not just mean to the summit of a mountain but to encounter Christ in all things, especially through the community of the Church and the Holy Eucharist. How can you live your life “verso l’alto” and become nearer to God?
- 3) Pier Giorgio had a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. With your family or Scout unit, pray the Rosary.
- 4) In his apostolic exhortation *Christus Vivit*, Pope Francis specifically mentioned Pier Giorgio as one of twelve exemplary saints for young people. Read paragraphs 49 through 63 to learn about these saints and share what you learned about Pier Giorgio, and at least two additional saints, with others.
https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20190325_christus-vivit.html
- 5) Pier Giorgio had a strong devotion to the Eucharist, prayer and serving the poor. Compose a prayer that shows your concern for the poor or sick OR with your family or Scout unit, volunteer at a soup kitchen, St. Vincent de Paul dining room or other venue that serves those in need.
- 6) St. John Paul II called Pier Giorgio “the man of the beatitudes” because he lived those blessings in his everyday life. Read the Sermon on the Mount and select one of the beatitudes to focus on in your life.
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/matthew/5>

Requirements for Adults:

- 1) Assist the youth with this Modern Saint Activity.
- 2) Share your thoughts with the youth about this Modern 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 Modern Saint Activity and submit it with payment for the patch to NCCS.

For more information about this saint, check out the websites below.

- [Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati | USCCB](#)
- [12 Amazing Facts about the life of hopeful Catholic saint Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati | Catholic News Agency](#)
- [Pier Giorgio Frassati | Saints Resource](#)