



# The Catholic Girl Scout Leader

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## October: The Month of the Holy Rosary

By *Jacquie Gozdowiak*

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary, and the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. The feast was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572) in the year 1571 to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of the Rosary than the power of cannons and the valor of the soldiers who fought there.

In this month of October I encourage you to bring the experience of praying the Rosary to the girls in your troop. It would be great to have the girls make their



own rosaries (plenty of easy instructions on line!) or even have a workshop at your meetings or schools and invite other family members to join you.

Need some help with "How to pray the rosary"? Get this great handout, a Silver Award Project from a Cadette Girl Scout Troop at Christ King Parish in Wauwatosa. Awesome job Girls!!!  
<http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Resources/CYM/Prayers-of-Rosary-Pamphlet-ChristKingParish.docx>

## God is Love! For K5 and Grade 1 Daisy Girl Scouts

The new project book is complete and available NOW! The order form for the book and prayer card is on the Archdiocesan website [www.archmil.org/scouts](http://www.archmil.org/scouts) and the patch and medal will be

available soon.

There will be an opportunity for girls to attend the **Annual Girl Scout Medal Project Workshop** to get a start on their work. Registration information is available on page 3.

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### SAVE THE DATE Celebration of Catholic Scouting

Saturday, April 9, 2016  
Mass at 4:00 pm  
Archbishop ListECKI,  
President.  
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Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 14, 2015... **The Religious Award Kick Off** will be held at **St. Anthony Parish in Menomonee Falls** from 9:30 to 3:00. NEW: **God is Love** for 1st Grade Daisy Girl Scouts. Registration information on page 3.



## Nomination forms for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Anne Medals

The St. Anne Medal is the highest national recognition made available by the Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts and Campfire (NCCGSCF) through the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM). It has been approved for use in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for adults who have served youth for a minimum of seven (7) years in Girl Scout program areas.

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal is a national recognition made available for adults who have

served youth for a minimum of three (3) years in Girl Scout program areas. The purpose of the recognition is to honor the outstanding volunteer services of adults who have contributed to the spiritual development of Catholic youth through the GSUSA programs and to encourage continuing involvement by faith filled adults in the Christian formation of youth.

For more information and a nomination form go to [www.archmil.org/scouts](http://www.archmil.org/scouts)

*Worth mentioning if you haven't seen this before:*

### Women in Scripture and Models of Faith Patch Series



#### Women in Scripture

The Women in Scripture series focus on individuals who lived lives of courage and faithfulness. These women often fanned the flame of faith in their families and communities and were the backbone of the church and faith since the very beginning of Jesus' ministry. Learn more about these strong faith-filled women.

[Ruth and Naomi](#)  (875 KB)

[Mary Magdalene](#)  (836 KB)

[Martha and Mary](#)  (372 KB)

[Miriam](#)  (491 KB)

[Sarah](#)  (815 KB)

[Saint Elizabeth](#)  (946 KB)



#### Models of Faith

Throughout the long tradition of the Catholic Church, women and men have been inspired by the Holy Spirit to stand up for the faith in the midst of great trials and at deep personal risk. Learn more about these great Models of Faith.

[Saint Anne](#)  (1.23 MB)

[Saint Gianna Molla](#)  (804 KB)

[Saint John XXIII](#)  (790 KB)

[Saint Juan Diego](#)  (820 KB)

[Saint Kateri Tekakwitha](#)  (797 KB)

[Saint Monica](#)  (329 KB)

[Mother Teresa](#)  (950 KB)

Visit the [NFCYM Online Store](http://www.nfcym.org) to order your patches.



# Report from Jacquie Gozdowiak

*Chair of Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts*

## Welcome to Fall!

Time to get back to the basics for everyone. In this Newsletter you will find information that's new and exciting. Hope you have a wonderful school year, full of fun and blessings.

## Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts Archdiocese of Milwaukee

A committee of volunteers meets four times a year. Newsletters are sent out via email seasonally. For questions, concerns or to volunteer for events con-

tact: Jacquie 414-517-5697  
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## Project book for Senior and Ambassador level of Girl Scouts

The book is in the final stages before going to publisher. The medal and prayer card are still being decided on. This whole project is supposed to be presented at NCYC this November. Keep the people who are working on this in your prayers as they go forward on it.

Blessings, *Jacquie Gozdowiak*

## 2015 Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts Annual Medal Project Workshop

**Save the Date!** Saturday, November 14, 2015 at St. Anthony Parish in Menomonee Falls. Girls from all over the Archdiocese can gather, make new friends and share their experiences in a group setting. For Daisy girls in Grade 1, Brownie girls in Grade 2, Junior girls in Grade 4 & 5, Cadette girls in Grade 7 & 8, Senior and Ambassador girls in Grade 9 & up.

See the flyer for more information and contacts:

<http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Resources/CYM/Catholic-Religious-Award-Kickoff-2015.pdf>

## 2016 Celebration of Scouting with Archbishop ListECKI

**Save the Date:** Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Cousins Center in Milwaukee. Mass at 4pm. Boy and Girl Scouts who receive their religious medal in the current school year are recognized by the Archbishop with a special patch. Adults and leaders who help Girl Scouts on their spiritual journey are recognized with the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Anne Awards.

More information to follow in January and at [www.archmil.org/scouts](http://www.archmil.org/scouts)

## USCCB Statement on Girl Scouting Guidance for Bishops, Leaders and Parents

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth (LMFLY), has released a resource for Catholic leaders and parents after a year of dialog with the Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA).

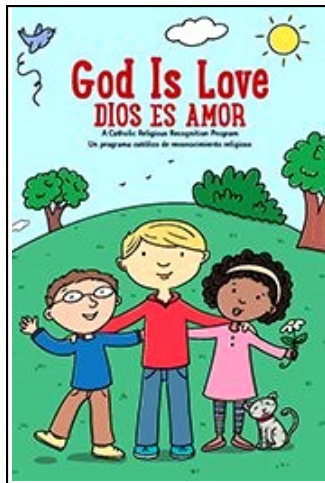
The USCCB resource is online at [www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/who-we-teach/youth/catholic-scouting-questions.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/who-we-teach/youth/catholic-scouting-questions.cfm).

For more information, see also the USCCB website at:

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

For the **Joint Statement of the Catholic Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Southeast, Girl Scouts of Manitou and Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Badgerland**, see:

<http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Resources/CYM/Archdiocese-GirlScouts-May2014.pdf>



## God is Love! For K5 and Grade 1 Daisy Girl Scouts

For Workshop information:  
[http://www.archmil.org/  
ArchMil/Resources/CYM/  
Catholic-Religious-Award-  
Kickoff-2015.pdf](http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Resources/CYM/Catholic-Religious-Award-Kickoff-2015.pdf)

For Workbook Order Forms see:  
[www.archmil.org/scouts](http://www.archmil.org/scouts)



For information on a  
**Respect All Life  
Award for Girls  
and Adults in  
Girl Scouting**

Contact:  
**Archdiocese of Cincinnati**  
[www.CatholicCincinnati.org](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org)



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## Important Links for More Information...

### [Religious Recognition Programs for Catholic Girls](#)

God is Love • Family of God • I Live My Faith • Mary, the  
First Disciple • The Spirit Alive

### [Archdiocese of Milwaukee Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts](#)

This Committee of local Catholic scout leaders fosters faith develop-  
ment in Catholic Girl Scouts and their adult leaders.

### [Office of Catechesis & Youth Ministry - Scout Page](#)

Information on official religious recognition programs and ordering  
materials.

### [United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Scouting and Catholic Youth Ministry - USCCB](#)

### [National Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts and Camp Fire](#)

The NCCGSCF, an affiliate member of NFCYM, serves Catholic  
youth and adults through faith-based programs, including the Catho-  
lic religious recognition programs and activity patches for girls.

### [Frequently Asked Questions - NCCGSCF](#)

### [National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry \(NFCYM\)](#)

### [Girl Scouts USA](#)

For questions about Girl Scout policies and practices, the first source  
is the Girl Scouts.

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