



# 2023-24 GSK CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS, AWARDS & CEREMONY



*ANY GSK registered Catholic GS may earn these religious awards.  
Please know although the Ceremony is held in Louisville,  
Everyone is invited to participate with us here, OR  
we can help you plan your own ceremony in your own Parish!!*

## **2024 AWARDS CEREMONY & RECEPTION FOR GIRLS & ADULTS**

Ceremony will be held at the Cathedral of the Assumption on Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm with the Reception immediately following in the Undercroft.

**\*Informational meeting for Leaders & Parents will be Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7 pm via ZOOM.**  
Please register here <https://forms.gle/xaZSfmAp1oFW5iq76>  
Zoom info will be sent in confirmation email.

**\*NEW DATE for Virtual Ceremony organizational meeting on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 7 pm.**  
Attendance is REQUIRED for ONE adult from each troop/or for each individual girl participating to include your Girl Scout(s) involvement in the Ceremony.  
Please register here <https://forms.gle/HMFeZnNWb4WpMvVZA> to receive the meeting details.

To be put on contact list to receive meeting information, ZOOM link, or if you have any additional questions, please EMAIL Phyllis Gilman & Ann Russo at [GSKCatholicGirlScouts@gmail.com](mailto:GSKCatholicGirlScouts@gmail.com)

Co-chairs of the Catholic Initiatives Subcommittee, Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana Council Faith-Based Experience Committee and GSK Representatives to the Archdiocese of Louisville Catholic Committee on Scouting <http://archlouccs.org/a/>

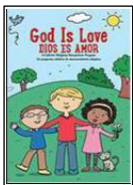
## **† GIRLS' PROGRAM MATERIALS to earn their Religious Awards as an individual or in a troop!**

*NOTE: These are ALL EARNED awards that may be placed on the front of their uniform.*

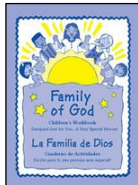
MY PROMISE, MY FAITH (MP, MF) is the GSUSA Girl Scout Program for all GS levels, found in each of the GSUSA Girl Guides. <http://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/girl-scouts-and-faith.html>

- \* Leaders purchase pins from the GSK shop to give their girls at completion of program or at end-of-year.
- \* *If attending the Ceremony, GS receiving their MP, MF pins may also have them blessed & be recognized!*

## **NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (NFCYM)**



Grades K & 1



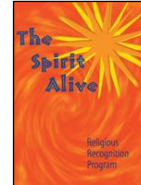
Grades 2 & 3



Grades 4 & 5



Grades 6, 7 & 8



Grades 9 & 10



Grades 11 & 12



- Information about above programs to be completed by the girls to participate in the Ceremony in March is here <https://nfcym.org/programs/nccgscf/religious-recognition-programs-patches/>
- It is recommended you check with your Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator or Director of Religious Education to let them know you will be working on a program, as well as to ask if they have a budget that may help subsidize the costs of the program materials & award medals.
- **Leaders, Advisors, Parents PLEASE NOTE: You may now order ALL your own materials, including Awards, at the same time! Get your Program Workbooks, Medals & more together** directly from the online store <https://nfcym.org/store/> Narrow search to Girl Scouts & Camp Fire.
- **Again, please understand the Ceremony organizational meeting in January 2024 is REQUIRED for adults with any girls participating this year's Ceremony. Details above.**

## † ADULT RELIGIOUS AWARDS

- The National Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts and Camp Fire (NCCGSCF) is a subcommittee of NFCYM. On this website below the girls' programs, is the information about the Adult Religious Awards available. <https://nfcym.org/programs/nccgscf/religious-recognition-programs-patches/>
- Request the application with additional information from either of the Committee Chairs Phyllis Gilman or Ann Russo OR download from GSK FB page.
- Completed applications should be turned in or emailed to Phyllis or Ann.
- Nominee should be invited to the Awards Ceremony by their nominator.
- Award medal must be purchased by the nominator, to be blessed for presentation to the nominee at the Ceremony.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE: Please contact Phyllis or Ann for information on how to get the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton & St. Anne Awards.** As of July 2023, there will be changes in the Archdiocese of Louisville office of the Director of Youth & Young Adults. **Those Awards will be sent directly to you from NFCYM.**

## † ADDITIONAL CATHOLIC RESOURCES, PROGRAMS & PATCHES

- Programs for Religious Activities with Youth <https://www.praypub.org/gsusa> Resources to earn religious awards & additional information for Catholic GS. Has link to page showing how religious awards and *GS My Promise, My Faith* (MPMF) programs compare & complement each other.
- Also, you can find much information for Catholic Youth & families at NYCFM <https://nfcym.org/>
- The National Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts and Camp Fire (NCCGSCF) is a subcommittee of NFCYM. Below the initial girls' programs, there is additional information about other earned religious awards available for them <https://nfcym.org/programs/nccgscf/religious-recognition-programs-patches/>
- Archdiocese of Louisville Catholic Committee on Scouting <http://archlouccs.org/a/>
- Archdiocese of Louisville Youth & Young Adult Office [www.archlou.org/youth/](http://www.archlou.org/youth/)
- GSK Staff Liaison Meredith DeRenzo, COO, [maustin@gskentuckiana.org](mailto:maustin@gskentuckiana.org)

Be sure to join, like  & share the  **GS Kentuckiana Catholic Girl Scouts Facebook page**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1623288177913159/>  
for updates on meetings & Ceremony, as well as see photos from previous Ceremonies!

*LEADERS, PARENTS & OTHER ADULTS,  
PLEASE KNOW YOU ARE TRULY APPRECIATED  
FOR YOUR INTEREST, ENTHUSIASM & DEDICATION TO YOUR FAITH,  
ESPECIALLY FOR YOUR CATHOLIC GIRL SCOUT(S)!*