

The Catholic Committee on  
Scouting for the Colorado  
Springs Diocese  
presents the

## Pillars of Faith - Service to God Pin



*Award for Girls  
in Scouting*

## Pillars of Faith History

*In 2005, the Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Colorado Springs Diocese developed the Pillars of Faith award, similar to the P.R.A.Y. Four Star award, to present to girls in Scouting who earn all four Catholic Religious Scouting Awards: **Family of God, I Live My Faith, Marian Medal, and Spirit Alive**. The idea was to recognize Scouts who achieve such a rare accomplishment and to encourage more Scouts to persevere and earn all four Awards.*

*For the Scouts who earn it, the pin represents their commitment to exploring their faith more deeply and to showing that commitment by earning the four Awards. The Committee decided to offer the pin to Catholic Scouting Committees across the country to encourage girls in Scouting everywhere to stay with Scouting and discover every level of their faith as they grow and become citizens of the world.*

Pillars of Faith - Service to God  
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# A Superlative Religious Recognition Award for Girls in Scouting

## Overview

The purpose of the Pillars of Faith program is to provide a special recognition to those girls in Scouting who have earned all four of the Catholic Religious Awards. Very few girls in Scouting ever earn the highest award in their Scouting program. Even fewer Scouts earn a Religious Award, so to earn all four Catholic Religious Awards is a monumental feat. The Pillars of Faith - Service to God pin recognizes these Scouts.

The name and design of the award represent the fact that the four Religious Awards are like pillars, supporting the Scout's development in and appreciation of her Catholic faith. The Religious Awards are the pillars, not the roof, for none of us are ever done growing in our faith. The design also includes the Church, Bible, and cross, other essential elements in faith.

## Eligibility

The Scout must have completed *Family of God, I Live My Faith, Marian Medal* and *Spirit Alive* and be a member of any organization that uses these four Religious Awards.

## Previous Years

Scouts who have earned all four Religious Awards in previous years are eligible to receive the Pillars of Faith - Service to God pin.

## Other Dioceses

Other dioceses, outside of the Colorado Springs Diocese, can use the Pillars of Faith pin to recognize their Scouts. This is the highest recognition Scouts can receive after earning their Religious Awards. We encourage you to recognize their accomplishments.

## Presentation of the Pillars of Faith Pin

This award should be presented as the highest religious recognition that a Scout can achieve while she is on the Scouting Trail. The Pillars of Faith pin should be presented in a formal Awards Mass or appropriate formal ceremony (preferably by the Bishop, Pastor or Priest). The key is to make the presentation very special, so the youth understands the magnitude of what she has achieved. Also, the recognition should be presented in a timely manner so the youth is recognized shortly after earning her fourth Religious Award.

## Wearing the Pillars of Faith Pin

The recipient can wear the pin on her Scout uniform. Additionally, once the recipient becomes an adult, she can wear the pin on her adult Scout uniform or as a lapel pin. The Pillars of Faith pin can become a pin that the recipient wears proudly at both Scouting and other events.

For more information regarding the Pillars of Faith - Service to God pin, please contact Curtis J. O'Connell at 719-590-1104 or [CJOCS@comcast.net](mailto:CJOCS@comcast.net)

## Order Form

Pillars of Faith - Service to God Pins	Quantity _____ x \$6.00 ea.
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