



Diocesan* Catholic Committee VOCATIONS CHAIRMAN JOB DESCRIPTION



- Selection:** A volunteer lay person appointed by the diocesan* chairman.
This person should have experience with
- Youth Ministry
 - Church vocations formation
 - Scouter Development
 - the long standing link between Catholic Scouting all vocational choices to serve the Church and their parish community
 - To identify a good candidate for this position contact the Vocation Director or Serra Clubs in your diocese.
- Responsibilities:** **It is recommended that the Vocations chairman:**
1. Develop, schedule, and carry out Church Vocation discernment programs activities that will provide every youth in Catholic Scouting with a personal religious experience combining the basic values inherent in Scouting and the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through the teaching authority of the Catholic Church
 2. Work with and through chartered organizations to promote involvement in these activities by all Catholic-chartered units.
 3. Coordinate activities with local BSA council(s) to avoid conflicting dates
 4. Collaborate with the communications chairman and others to reach Catholic youth and adults in units not chartered to Catholic organizations with the hope of enlisting their participation in diocesan Scouting activities
 5. Build relationships with the diocesan youth ministry office, vocation director, religious communities, Serra Clubs and Knight of Columbus and parish vocation committees to aid and coordinate Scout participation in diocesan and parish events
 6. Give leadership to Chaplain Aide and an annual retreat for adults in the Scouting apostolate. Encourage or plan a Church vocation related component for the retreat.
- Activities** **The following activities should be considered for diocesan development:**
- Annual retreats for Scouts and Venturers, Cub Scout-oriented retreat events (Cub days, days of recollection, etc.)
 - Vocational activities
 - Plan a Scouting activity for Priesthood Sunday (last Sunday of October)
 - Programs that provide an opportunity for youths to engage in action projects that exemplify what it means to be a Christian in the world today
 - Activities that educate and involve youths in World Youth Day
 - Programs of Scout Sunday observance, pilgrimages, and investiture ceremonies
 - Good turn service projects for the parish or chartered organization
 - Chaplain service and field Masses at council summer camps, weekend camporees, Scout retreats, and other appropriate activities.
 - Annual conference of religious and lay leaders at Scout camp.
- Term of Office:** Recommended term of office is two years, concurrent with the chairman, and should be renewable.
- References:** *Program Planning Guide*, No. 16-168
Chaplain's Guide in Scout Camps, No. 12038
Local council activities calendar and Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting calendar
Handbook for Diocesan Vocation Committee Chairman
Priesthood Sunday – webpage: priestsunday.org