

Answers to Requirements

- 1) Petra, Spanish Majorca on November 24, 1713.
- 2) He taught philosophy and theology at Lullian University.
- 3) While traveling on foot from Vera Cruz to the capital, he injured his leg in such a way that he suffered from it throughout his life, though he continued to make his journeys on foot whenever possible.
- 4) On the West Coast of the US where he founded twenty-one missions.
- 5) The Serra Club is an international Catholic organization dedicated to the promotion of vocations, and the support of seminarians and religious novices.

Visit www.nccs-bsa.org for information on how to order patches for any of our religious activities.

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 and may a Scout receive a religious knot after earning this activity?

No. This activity is considered a religious activity, not a religious emblem. Scouts may not receive a religious knot for earning any of the activity patches.

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.

Who do I check with once I complete the requirements for my grade level?

Any knowledgeable parent, Scout leader, group leader, priest, religious or catechist.

Footsteps of American Saints



Junípero Serra Activity Patch



**National Catholic
Committee on Scouting®**

Footsteps of American Saints Activities

This activity honors those men and women who led heroic lives of faith. Their words, deeds, and devotion to prayer and sacraments, inspire all American Catholics. In the U.S. church calendar, 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. Most of these men and women lived and worked in either North or South America. Many lived in what is now the United States. Others never set foot there; however their lives and work had a huge impact on the Catholic American landscape. All of them sought to follow Jesus.

Requirements for Junípero Serra Activity Patch

All – Read about this saint. You can find the answers to these questions on www.americancatholic.org. Feel free to use other resources.

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

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

Requirements:

- 1) Where and when was he born?
- 2) After he was ordained, what was the work he did and where?
- 3) Why did he have so much difficulty walking?
- 4) Where did he do the majority of his ministry and how many missions did he found?
- 5) What present day organization is named after him? What is their role?

Activities:

- 1) Discuss with your family or counselor some of the values that you admire most about Blessed Junípero Serra. What is he known for? How can you be more like him?
- 2) Draw a picture showing some of his accomplishments. Share this picture with your family.
- 3) Blessed Junípero Serra once traveled 900 miles before starting his first mission. Plan and participate in a fundraising event such as a 5 – 10K walk to benefit mission work in your community.
- 4) Blessed Junípero Serra sought the famous “Regulation” protecting the Indians and the missions. Do you see any injustices in the world still? Write a “Bill of Rights” that you feel will protect those individuals. Discuss with your family or counselor some of the reasons why it is important.

Requirements for Adults:

- 1) Assist the youth with this American Saint Activity.
- 2) Share your thoughts with the youth about this American Saint.
- 3) Review the responses to the requirements of each youth participant to confirm his accuracy and to insure his understanding.
- 4) Fill out the order form for this American Saint Activity and send it along with the fee to NCCS.

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

- www.Catholic.org
- www.americancatholic.org
- www.newadvent.org
- www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly