

Answers to the Requirements

- 1) Orleans, France on January 10, 1607.
(www.newadvent.org)
- 2) He was captured by the Mohawk Iroquois. Some Dutch merchants pitied him and smuggled him back to Manhattan.
(www.newadvent.org)
- 3) He was revered for being a “living martyr.” Everyone thought he had already died. The Pope allowed him to say Mass even though his hands had been mutilated from the torture inflicted on him by the Iroquois.
(www.newadvent.org)
- 4) On June 29, 1930 along with seven other North American martyrs (including St. Rene Goupil). (www.newadvent.org)
- 5) Teaching Christianity to the Mohawk Indians. (www.newadvent.org)
- 6) September 26 (Canada), October 19 in the US (www.newadvent.org)

Visit www.NCCS-BSA.org for information on how to order the Footsteps of American patches.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can work on this program?

All youth and adults.

Does the youth need to submit the answers to the requirements when they are done with the activity?

No. The answers should be reviewed by an adult. The application and patch fee are the only things that need to be submitted.

Will there be more than one Activity Patch?

Yes. There will be an activity patch for every American Saint. Five new activities will be added each year. If a new American saint were to be canonized, that person would be added to the rotation in a timely manner.

How long will this saint be available for me to work on?

Each saint activity will be available for scouts to work on for two years. After that, the activity will be rotated off and replaced with a new saint.

Is this activity considered a religious emblem, and will Cub or Boy Scouts receive their religious knot after completing the form?

No. The activity is considered a religious activity not a religious emblem. Cub and Boy Scouts will not receive a religious knot after completing the form.

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Footsteps of American Saints



St. Isaac Jogues Activity



National Catholic
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Footsteps of American Saints Activities

This program honors those men and women who led heroic lives of faith. Their words, their deeds, and their devotion to prayer and to the sacraments, inspire all American Catholics. In the church calendar for the United States, 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 in our country, however their lives and work have had a huge impact on the Catholic American landscape. All of them sought to follow Jesus.

Requirements for St. Isaac Jogues

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

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

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

Requirements:

- 1) Where and when was he born?
- 2) Who captured him? How did he escape?
- 3) When he finally got back to Europe, why was he revered by so many people? What did the Pope permit him to do?
- 4) When was he canonized, and who were the other North American Martyrs canonized with him?
- 5) What are some of his accomplishments?
- 6) When is the feast of St. Isaac Jogues?

Activities:

- 1) Discuss with your family or counselor, some of the values that you admire most about St. Isaac Jogues. 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) Martyrs are witnesses of the faith. Their witness goes all the way; they are willing to lay down their lives for their religious convictions. Create a collage of pictures of the other martyrs who were canonized with St. Isaac Jogues.
- 4) St. René Goupil, a companion of St. Isaac Jogues, died because he made the Sign of the Cross on the foreheads of Indian children. Create a cross out of craft material and hang it in your room in remembrance of their deeds.

Requirements for Adults

- 1) Assist the youth with this Footsteps of American Saints activity
- 2) Share your thoughts with the youth about this Saint.
- 3) Review the youth requirements after they have completed the activity.
- 4) Fill out the application for this activity and send it along with the fee to the 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