

*Unique Patches of the Archdiocese  
of St. Paul and Minneapolis*

**Archbishop's Patch**



The Archbishop's Patch was created in 2004. All youth are encouraged to earn this patch.

**Naomi-Ruth Patch**



Naomi and Ruth's story are found in the Book of Ruth. These two women overcome hardship through endurance, self-sacrifice and faithfulness. The relations between these two women show a deep love, friendship and faithfulness to one another and to God.

**Mary and Martha**



The Martha and Mary Patch are great examples of what it means to serve the Lord and be with the Lord. Earn this patch by reading about these sisters in the Bible and applying what you've learned.

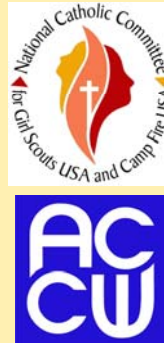
**Miriam**



Miriam is an example of displaying leadership qualities, especially of songs. Miriam is found in the Book of Exodus.

**The above patches can be earned by youth of any age**

Please mail a summary of what you've learned to the ACCW Office, 328 West Kellogg Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55102. Upon receipt, if requested, the patch can be mailed back to you. Individuals who have earned this patch and completed the summary by April 1, 2016 will be invited to a special ceremony. Invitations will follow.



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**Religious  
Recognition  
Programs  
Youth and Adult**



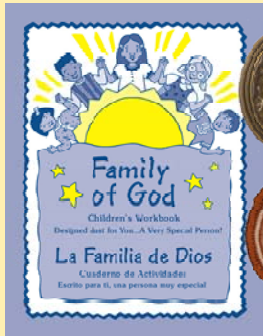
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*United in Faith,  
Hope and Love*

## Youth Recognition Programs

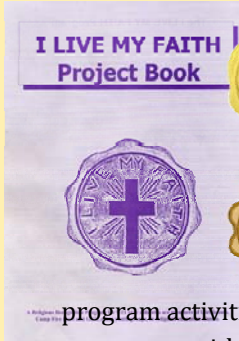
### Family of God

The *Family of God* program is an activity series developed to complement the catechetical efforts of the parish and families with children in grades two and three. The program helps children discover the presence of God in their daily lives as members of their family and parish. Parents and guardians play a large role in assisting the young person in completing this program. The program book includes a guide for adults.



### I Live My Faith

The *I Live My Faith* program is designed to help youth, grades four through six, appreciate more deeply the place that God and religion occupy in their daily life. The action-oriented program activities focus on developing awareness within the individual of his/her potential as growing person, friend, family member, citizen, and a participant in the community of faith. The program is divided into three chapters, "Stretching," "Seeking," and "Finding" each of which blends the dimensions of discovery, prayer, service, and sacrament into a unified whole. To assist adults working with groups of participants, an adult guide is included in the program-book.



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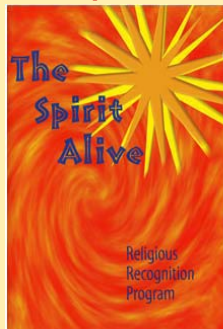
### Mary, the First Disciple

The *Mary, the First Disciple* program is written for young Catholics, grades seven through ten, to grow in appreciation of Mary and in understanding themselves. They will meet Mary in Scripture as a young teenager and follow her journey, as she becomes a woman and the Mother of God. Through various projects, discussions, and liturgical celebrations over a period of months the participants are provided with a unique opportunity to develop new insight into their personalities, friends, parents, and the world around them. This revised version of the Marian Medal program book demonstrates the importance of Mary for all generations and cultures. A separate leaders guide for adults is available.



### The Spirit Alive

The *Spirit Alive* is a program designed for Catholic youth, grades nine through twelve. It assists them in discovering how the Holy Spirit moves in their lives, calling them to greater participation in the church's ministry. A separate guide book is available for adult advisors.



## Adult Recognitions

### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

The *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton* recognition was inaugurated in 1980 to recognize the meritorious contributions of adults who serve Catholic youth through national organizations. This medal affirms the work of those who help youth develop their spiritual lives within the context of these organizations. It is ordinarily received before the St. Anne Medal is earned, but is not a requirement for receiving the St. Anne Medal. Requirement is 3 years of service.



### St. Anne Medal

The *St. Anne Medal* is the highest national recognition for adults who serve Catholic youth through national organizations. The recognition was inaugurated in 1957. The purpose of the St. Anne recognition is to honor the outstanding service of adults who contribute to the spiritual development of Catholic young people in these organizations and to further Catholic adult leadership in youth ministry through these national youth-serving organizations. Require-



Nomination criteria for these two is available at [www.accwarshspm.org](http://www.accwarshspm.org) under the Religious Recognition tab.