



Diocese of Baton Rouge  
Catholic Committee on Scouting  
c/o Our Lady of Mercy Church  
Attn: Religious Emblem Chairman  
445 Marquette Avenue  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

*A Way to Christian Leadership*

**Mother Teresa Lifetime of Service Award**

Mother Teresa of Calcutta (August 26, 1910 – September 5, 1997) dedicated her life to serving others. One might ask how did she do this; Pope Benedict XVI in the *Encyclical Letter Deus Caritas Est* explains this to us, “In the example of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta we have a clear illustration of the fact that time devoted to God in prayer not only does not detract from effective and loving service to our neighbor but is in fact the inexhaustible source of that service.” Mother Teresa worked with the poorest giving of her personal time to touch the heart of one individual, though she touched the hearts of many. The Mother Teresa Lifetime of Service Award enables the Catholic Committee on Scouting to recognize the recipient(s) for the years of service in Scouting as a leader who has assisted with continuing the Catholic Committee on Scouting Religious Emblem Programs, and encouraged scouts to participate in these programs to develop their Catholic Spiritual Life throughout Scouting.

Areas of Service or a combination of:

- ❖ Church – any ministry
- ❖ Related to the church community or church sponsored organizations, or civic
- ❖ Any group that supports Catholic Christian ideas and ways of life.

Work Related Service:

- ❖ Business sponsor
- ❖ Require employees to be active in service:
  - Scouting.

Service should be for non-profit. Only profit received is for the one servicing.

**Years required:** Since this is a **Lifetime of Service a minimum of 15 years is required.**

Nomination(s) for the Mother Teresa Lifetime of Service should be forwarded to the Catholic Committee on Scouting (address above) by May 15<sup>th</sup> for the current years Religious Emblem Ceremony.

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