

Scouting in the Catholic Church

August 5-11, 2012

Each year, the National Catholic Committee on Scouting® (NCCS) conducts the "Scouting in the Catholic Church" training conference at Philmont Training Center (PTC) in Cimarron, NM as part of BSA Relationships Week. The conference brings together religious and lay participants with varying experience in Scouting and the Catholic faith. The goal of the conference is to help the participants understand how Scouting is a Youth Ministry and how to use the information in their dioceses when talking with Scouters, priests, and youth ministers.

The conference is structured to explore four components from several points of view, on a daily basis:

- Leadership
- Holiness
- Conversion
- Worship.

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Presentations and discussions explain how NCCS and Scouting views and fulfills its part of the component.

Discussion, readings, and reflections using the Renewing the Vision booklet helps the participants gain knowledge from a Youth Minister's point of view.

Participants may attend Mass each evening at the Philmont Catholic Chapel with crews starting or ending their mountain treks, Philmont staff, and local residents.



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