Notice to all Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Ventures, & Explorers

& Adult Scouting Leaders

***(All Scouts must complete all 4 items in order to be awarded the BSA religious medal)***

**The *Aztec District Catholic Religious Scouting awards program begins with a mandatory retreat* to be held on Saturday, February 4th, 2017 sponsored by the Diocese of Laredo Catholic Committee on Scouting. The retreat will be held at San Francisco Javier Church, Cursillo Center (2502 Zaragoza St.) *(please spread the word)!!!!!!!!!***

***Item no. 1.* The program begins on Saturday February 4, 2017 with a *retreat* at San Francisco Javier Church, Cursillo Center. The retreat will start promptly at 12:30 pm at San Francisco Javier Church, Cursillo Center. Snacks will be provided. Your Class “A” uniform is required, if available. Per the Diocese of Laredo’s request, all Scouts should attend Mass, and the retreat, as this will complete their Scout Sunday requirement.**

*Registration & Snacks:* The registration fee for the program is $25.00/Scout, which will cover the majority of the expenses to purchase the medal, certificate and workbook (sorry no refunds). Registration at the door will be also be $25/Scout. The medals being offered are the following for Cub Scouts – Light of Christ candidates (Tigers/Wolves), Parvuli Dei candidates (Bears/Webelos) and Boy Scouts/Explorers/Ventures Ad Altare Dei candidates (11 – 13 years) and Pope Pius XII candidates (14–18 years).

## *Item no. 2* the *Cub Scouts* that attend the retreat will be eligible to complete their respective religious work books (to be distributed at retreat). Cub Scouts will work with their adult Scout Leaders and parents to complete the requirements as set by the work book requirements. The *work book must be signed by your parish pastor and completed by April 13, 2017 to be submitted at the Religious Board of Review scheduled for April 19, 2017 at Camp Huisache, 6:00pm.*

**The *Boy Scouts, Ventures and Explorers* that attend the retreat will be eligible to complete their respective religious work books. Boy Scouts will work with their assigned counselors (see information below) to complete the requirements as set by the work book. The work book has to be completed by** *April 13, 2017,* **in time for the Religious Board of Review scheduled on April 19, 2017. Boy Scouts, Ventures and Explorers will be required to attend classes once a week for approximately 6 to 8 weeks to complete the entire workbook.**

AD ALTARE DEI CLASSES WILL BE @ SAN MARTIN DE PORRES CHURCH CCD CLASSROOM St. Dominic – Feb 9th – April 13th 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Instructor Rodolfo Sanchez, II Troop 84 SM

POPE PIUS XII CLASSES WILL BE @ SAN MARTIN DE PORRES CHURCH CCD CLASSROOM St. Elizabeth – Feb 9th – April 13th 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Instructor Carlos Rene Ramirez, LISD Lead Parent Liaison

## *Item no. 3 -* All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Ventures and Explorers will be required to attend & pass the Religious Board of Review which is scheduled for April 19th, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm @ Camp Huisache. The Class “A” uniform is *required*, if available, along with the completed work book. *All* signatures are required on the form, no exceptions!!!!!!! No work book, no signatures = no medal!!!!!!

***Item no. 4*** - **Those Scouts who complete all requirements of their respective workbook and pass the BSA Catholic Board of Review will be invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop James A. Tamayo of the Diocese of Laredo at 10:00am on May 20, 2017 at the San Agustin Cathedral.**

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