

# Scouts Attend Diocesan Boy Scout Convocation

On Sunday, Sept. 20, Catholic Boy Scouts from all over the Diocese of Rockville Centre gathered at St. Agnes Cathedral for the 55th Annual Boy Scout Convocation. Every September, the Catholic Committee on Scouting organizes the convocation to recognize all Scouts who have earned their religious recognitions over the past year. Among the 250 Scouts present, there were 12 boys from the Church of St. Mary and St. Aloysius Church who received their religious recognitions.

Boy Scout Religious Recognition programs at St. Mary's are funded by the Knights of Columbus (Father William A. Daly S.J. Council #2122). Receiving the Ad Altare Dei Religious Recognition were Brett Bosse, Aidan Dowd, Thomas McGreal, Stephen Murphy, Matthew Palmadessa, Benedict Reilly, John Reilly, William Simone and Ryan Watson. The Pope Pius XII Religious Recognition was presented to: Martin Clarke, Jr., Aidan Dowd, Thomas Germana, Thomas McGreal, Matthew Palmadessa and Brandon Walter. Congratulations to all Scouts and their families and many thanks to the Manhasset Knights of Columbus council for supporting these programs.

Classes are now forming for this



**Pictured at St. Agnes Cathedral, Brett Bosse, Martin Clarke, Jr., Aidan Dowd, Thomas Germana, Thomas McGreal, Stephen Murphy, Matthew Palmadessa, Benedict Reilly, John Reilly, William Simone, Brandon Walter and Ryan Watson. Not pictured: William Simone.**

year's classes. Eighth grade and older Scouts are eligible for the Ad Altare Dei program and high school

age Scouts may earn the Pope Pius XII recognition.

If you are interested in participating

in either of these programs, please contact Susan Cannatella at [susan.cannatella@me.com](mailto:susan.cannatella@me.com).

## Manhasset CASA Students Star On Local TV

Students from Manhasset High School who are part of the Manhasset Community Coalition Against Substance Abuse (CASA) Youth Committee will star this month in a 25-minute talk

show on North Hempstead Television (NHTV). The program was divided into four sections and features discussions on various topics, including efforts to curb the use of cigarettes and e-cigarettes

with Jenna Tishler and Alyssa Sanders, anti-bullying with Remy Wang, research on sleep deprivation with Ivy Jin and Jessalyn Chuang, and volunteer opportunities in the community with Griffin Hyde and Steven Meyer. The show was hosted by Nicole Kiprilov and features an introduction from North Hempstead Town Councilwoman Anna Kaplan.

Councilwoman Kaplan noted in her opening, "This group works tirelessly in the prevention of youth substance use and demonstrates a diverse set of passions, accomplishments, and unifying motivation to improve the lives of teens and residents here in the Town of North Hempstead."

Because Manhasset CASA was the winner of the 18 and under division of the 2014 North Hempstead Screenplay contest, the organization was given the opportunity to film and air their program based on the screenplay. Manhasset CASA exists as a resource to reduce the illegal underage use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs among its youth before they get into trouble by connecting parents, school and the community as partners in this common goal.

The program was aired in September at 7 p.m. on NHTV; channels 18 and 63 on Cablevision and channel 46 on Verizon FIOS. The program can also be accessed online at [www.mynhtv.com](http://www.mynhtv.com) or [www.youtube.com/townofnorthhempstead](http://www.youtube.com/townofnorthhempstead).

—Submitted by the Town of North Hempstead

