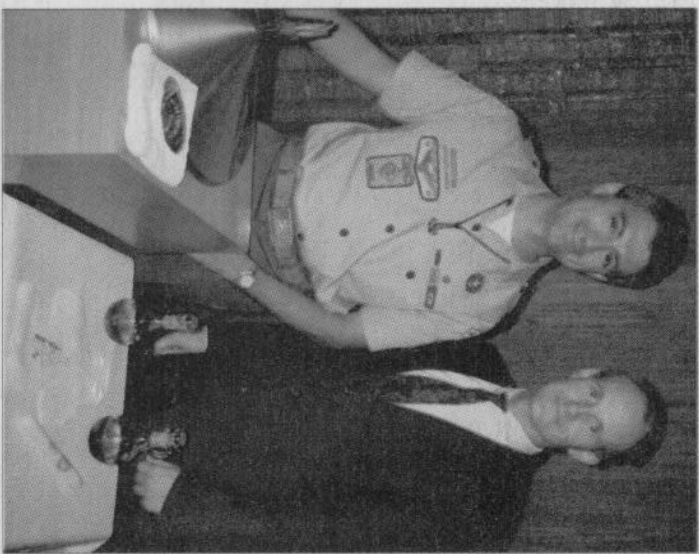


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UNDERSTANDING BAPTISM — Scouters Roland Chapa (left), from pack 62, and Jay Krail, from pack 233, stand beside the baptismal font at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, with several items used during the sacrament of baptism. These men are part of the Cub Scout Retreat staff who hope to bring a greater understanding of baptism to each retreat participant.

'Understanding Baptism' to be theme of Cub Scout Retreat

The Catholic Committee on Scouting recently announced plans to conduct a Catholic Cub Scout Inaugural Retreat on Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Leonard Scout Reservation. The retreat program based on the sacrament of baptism has been prepared by Scouter Jay Krail. Krail, conductor of several retreats for Scouts in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles,

Applications may be obtained on the Web at <http://www.star-telegram.com/homes/longhorn>; or by calling the Longhorn Council BSA at (817) 738-5491; or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to John Ryan, 4109 Meadow Dr., Grapevine 76051.

A promotional video planned to cover the inaugural retreat is to include a picture of each scout

'Cuerpo de Cristo' opportunity for all ministers, both volunteer and professional, to network and learn

"Cuerpo de Cristo: Moved by the Spirit" is the theme for this year's Diocesan Ministries Day, to be held Saturday, Aug. 15, at Nolan Catholic High School from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Volunteer and professional ministers in all areas of ministry — adults, children, youth, or young adults; rural, suburban, or inner-city; and all ethnic and cultural groupings — are encouraged to take part in the event. Everyone is invited.

The ministries day, which will offer workshops in English and Spanish on dozens of topics, is designed to speak to both the practical and the visionary dimensions of a wide range of ministries, according to Sister Dorothy Powers, director of Children's Catechesis and the coordinator of "Cuerpo de Cristo."

Brownsville (Spanish). Both Fr. Nicalou and Dr. Gaillardetz are nationally known speakers recognized for their ability to communicate a rich mix of ideas and images in an exci-

ture displays from major publishers of religious education and other materials. "The exhibitors are an important part of the whole process," said Sr. Powers. "They give people a chance to look at a wide range of materials, to see what's happening in the field. And it's a convenient way to buy books and other religious goods."

Equally as important as the speakers and exhibitors is the opportunity to network with other people from across the diocese who are engaged in a wide variety of ministries. "Sometimes the most valuable part of a day like this is the chance to meet people from other parishes and hear how they do things," Sr. Powers noted. "It's always exciting and encouraging to meet people

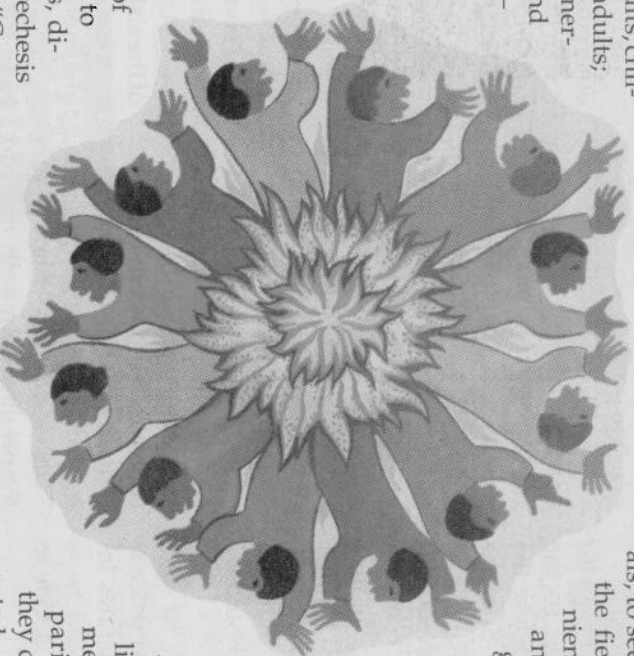


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