Joseph Thomas  
Eagle Scout – Troop 4 Milford

Joseph joined Scouting as a Pack 4 Tiger Cub in 2008. Joe’s favorite Cub Scout memories are of the numerous campouts, particularly the overnight at Battleship Cove and the Paw Sox games. As a Webelo, Joseph was a member of the Cobra Patrol, led by Mr. Hobart. In 2013, Joseph earned The Arrow of Light, Cub Scout’s highest award, after which he joined Troop 4.

Joseph was a part of the Honey Badger Patrol when he joined Troop 4. Some of his favorite activities with Troop 4 were the St. Mary’s campouts and the regular day hikes. The St. Mary’s campouts were always very enjoyable because the scouts played capture the flag, went on hikes, and often had pig roasts. Joseph fondly recalls the White-Water Rafting trip, stating “it was a new experience for me, and it was very thrilling and exciting”.

For his Eagle Scout Service Project, Joseph constructed a wooden storage chest to collect donations for the Milford Food Pantry. The chest has been placed in the vestibule at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish in Milford. Prior to the construction of this chest, parishioners left their donations on the floor inside the church doors. The chest provides a practical and attractive alternative, and the wheels on the bottom make for easier relocation of the generous donations.

Joseph is currently a Sophomore at Milford High School. Joseph plays JV baseball for Milford High School, and this summer will be playing for the Milford Micros Senior Babe Ruth team. In addition to his athletics, Joseph is involved in the Young Neighbors in Action and Youth Ministry at St. Mary’s. Joseph is also an Altar Server at St. Mary’s, and has spent time volunteering with the youth baseball program in town and the parish’s Vacation Bible School.

Upon graduation in 2020, Joseph plans to attend college to study Sports Medicine. He hopes to continue to play baseball for the college he attends, but if not, he will join intramural sports.

As Joseph reflects on his scouting career, he shares his thoughts with the younger scouts. “Stay in Scouting, don’t quit. Becoming an Eagle Scout is worth the journey and dedication. You will learn a lot of useful information on the way.”