

## Protocol & Ceremony Scout & Venturer Meeting Opening & Closing Reflections

The following two reflections are used at our Scout and Venturer section meetings as part of the opening and closing ceremony.

At opening parade, prior to the raising of the flag, you will be asked to come to the alert and bow your heads. The Scout Leader will then recite the opening reflection noted below.

At the final parade, following the lowering of the flag, you will remain at alert and be asked to bow your heads and all members present will recite the closing reflection noted below.

## **Opening Reflection**

Let us give thanks that we have been given the opportunity to belong to the family of Scouts,

Let our actions bring credit to our Group and all of its members,

May we be guided by our Scout Promise, and

In all things, live by the Scout Law.

## **Closing Reflection**

Let us be generous with our time,
as we serve our community,
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wounds,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labour and not to ask for any reward,
Save that of knowing, that we have done our Duty

(Based on the Soldiers Prayer- Ignatius Loyola)