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# The Church of the Nativity

## MASSES

**Sundays** 08:00, 09:30, 11:30 AM and 05:00 PM

**Saturdays** 08:00 AM and 05:00 PM (Vigil)

**Weekdays** 07:30 AM and 05:30 PM

**Holy Days** 07:30 AM, 05:30 and 07:30 PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturdays** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Opus Dei priest)

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM (parish priest)

*(also by appointment)*

**BAPTISMS** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

*(contact rectory 2 months in advance)*

**WEDDINGS** Saturdays 11:00 AM and 02:00 PM

*(contact rectory at least 6 months in advance)*

## PASTOR

Rev. Msgr. Steven D. Otellini

## PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Mark G. Mazza

## PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

## VISITING PRIESTS

Rev. Gregory Heidenblut, OSA

Msgr. James Kelly

Rev. Patrick Hartin

## SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • [mon.hickam@gmail.com](mailto:mon.hickam@gmail.com)

## 24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mrs. Mary Ellen Peloso • (650) 269-7794



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# THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 16 JULY 2017

He spoke to them at length in parables,  
saying: "A sower went out to sow..."

**MATTHEW 13: 3**



### FIRST READING

My word shall not return to Me void, but shall do My will.

**ISAIAH 55: 10-11**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You have crowned the year with your bounty.

**PSALMS 65**

### SECOND READING

The sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us.

**ROMANS 8: 18-23**

### GOSPEL

"To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich."

**MATTHEW 13: 1-23**

## CALENDAR

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 16 - 22 JUL

<b>SAT</b>	<b>05:00 PM</b>	Priest's intentions
<b>SUN</b>	<b>Masses</b>	Priest's intentions
<b>MON</b>	<b>07:30 AM</b>	† Carmelita Lenz
	<b>05:30 PM</b>	Elizabeth Venturillo; † Patrick Couron; † James Hannay; † Jose Luis Colombetti
<b>TUE</b>	<b>07:30 AM</b>	The Willis family
	<b>05:30 PM</b>	Lidia Ordaz
<b>WED</b>	<b>07:30 AM</b>	The Neylan and Cardine families
	<b>05:30 PM</b>	Sally Bixler
<b>THU</b>	<b>07:30 AM</b>	† Andy Simonds
	<b>05:30 PM</b>	† Danny Olin
<b>FRI</b>	<b>07:30 AM</b>	† Antonio Hojas; † David Chavez
	<b>05:30 PM</b>	† Thomas Meagher
<b>SAT</b>	<b>08:00 AM</b>	† David Chavez; † Antonio Hojas; † Robert Pickford

<b>SUN</b>	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
<b>MON-FRI</b>	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
<b>MON-FRI</b>	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
<b>TUE</b>	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
<b>THU</b>	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
<b>SAT</b>	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
<b>SAT</b>	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
<b>SAT</b>	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
<b>SAT</b>	03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)

<b>16 JUL</b>	<b>(Sunday)</b>	
<b>17 JUL</b>	<b>(Monday)</b>	01:00 PM Infant Jesus of Prague Society 07:30 PM Legion of Mary
<b>18 JUL</b>	<b>(Tuesday)</b>	08:00 PM H <sup>4</sup>
<b>19 JUL</b>	<b>(Wednesday)</b>	
<b>20 JUL</b>	<b>(Thursday)</b>	
<b>21 JUL</b>	<b>(Friday)</b>	
<b>22 JUL</b>	<b>(Saturday)</b>	

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

### BIBLICAL ART



"The Sower and the Seeds" -- Sadao Watanabe (1913-1996)  
(print in Japanese mingei style)




Parish Office Hours  
09:00 AM-04:00 PM  
Monday-Friday



Electronic giving is offered  
through our website  
[www.nativitymenlo.org](http://www.nativitymenlo.org)  
or call the parish office  
for a paper form

### PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF <b>01-02 JUL</b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$11,156</b>
ADA Progress:	<b>\$41,630</b>
2017 Archdiocesan Appeal Goal:	<b>\$165,940</b>

Donate online: [www.tinyurl.com/sf2017ADA](http://www.tinyurl.com/sf2017ADA)

# SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

**20 JUL (Thursday):**

**SAINT APOLLINARIS, Martyr (d. ~79)**

Disciple of **Saint Peter**, he was the first **Bishop of Ravenna, Italy**. Tortured and martyred under the persecutions of **Vespasian**.

**22 JUL (Saturday):**

**SAINT MARY MAGDALEN, Penitent**

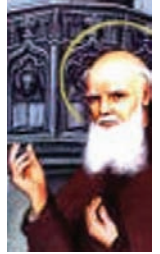


It is clear from the Gospels that Mary of Magdala was a devoted disciple. We know that Christ cast from her seven devils, that she ministered to Him in Galilee, and that she was present at the Crucifixion. Matthew tells us that she was the first to see the Risen Christ, Who sent her to tell His disciples what she had seen.

**21 JUL (Friday):**

**SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, Priest and Doctor of the Church (1559-1619)**

St. Lawrence was a **Capuchin** and theologian who became famous throughout Europe for his inspirational preaching, his work against Lutheranism, and the founding of several friaries. He helped raise an army that successfully drove back the Turks from Hungary, and was often called upon to settle disputes among the European monarchies.



## MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

### VALLOMBROSA RETREAT CENTER NEWS

Noted Catholic author **Alice Camille** will be hosting "*The Holy Mirror*" Summer Retreat at Vallombrosa Retreat Center, 250 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, from **Sunday, 13 AUG 2017, 01:00 PM** to **Friday, 18 AUG 2017, 04:00 PM**. This retreat is open to the public. This is a scriptural retreat with many different attendance options. Attendance options and rates are on the website.

For information, contact **David Leech** at **650/325-5614**, or visit [www.vallombrosa.org](http://www.vallombrosa.org).

### INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE PRAYER SOCIETY

**NOVENA, LITANY, PRAYER INTENTIONS/THANKSGIVING, AND ADORATION**

The **Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Society** invites parishioners and guests to join in prayer before our Infant Jesus shrine on **17 JUL 2017** at **01:00 PM**. Each month, on the 17th day, we begin the first day of the Infant Jesus of Prague Novena, a litany, prayer intentions/thanksgivings, and conclude with adoration.



Our Lord answers all prayers. It is *how* God answers that is most compelling. Let the Word made flesh, the Infant Jesus, open your heart, mind, and soul to receive and trust in His Divine Plan for your life.

Our 24-hour Infant Jesus Prayer Line is always open to receive any prayer request and thanksgivings. Please call **650/281-3339**, contact **Anne Delaney, O.F.S.**, or write to [pray2infantjesus@aol.com](mailto:pray2infantjesus@aol.com). *We give glory to God through our gratitude.*

### CENACLES OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Our Nativity rosary prayer group continues to pray to end the culture of death. All are invited to come! We pray two rosaries together and offer up a fast each week. We meet at **06:00 PM** in the church each **Tuesday** evening.

### PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALUPE

**Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico 09-14 DEC 2017** to be there for the Feast Day and the beautiful Mass of Roses on **12 DEC 2017**. **\$2049.00** per person including airfare from San Francisco. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Mass every day. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call **Cathie** or **Michael Milano** at **800/773-2660**.



### FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Monday, 14 AUG 2017**, we will have our next celebration of the Blessed Mother's apparition at Fatima, Portugal. We will have a Mass at **07:30 PM**, followed by a talk on the message of Fatima, rosary candlelight procession around the church grounds, and healing Benediction. Please join us and bring your family. For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Nativity Church is open 24x7. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won't you join us by signing up for a weekly Holy Hour? When you sign up, you and your intentions share in the grace of everyone who comes to visit. Come and experience the dramatic presence of God in our lives. Please consider the following hours as there is no one currently assigned to them (or pick an hour that works for you):

**Sunday: 01:00 PM (twice per month)**

**Tuesday: 01:00 AM**

Thank you in advance for your generosity. The God who is not outdone in generosity will certainly bless you and your intentions. Call **Mary Ellen Peloso (650/269-7794)** to sign up.

*You have never strayed too far for the Father's forgiveness and grace.*

*Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact the Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008), the Gabriel Project (800/910-0191), or San Juan Diego Centro por la Vida at St. Francis (650/322-2152).*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please keep all of our newest members in your prayers, as well as those who have preceded us to the Father.



**BAPTISMS** • Aliya Ana, daughter of Antonio and Nelly Valencia

**MARRIAGES** • Paul Lewis and Kimberly Maher

**PARISHIONERS** • Kelly Kao  
• Lisa Uithoven  
• Desiree Desierto  
• Paul Sullivan  
• Deanna and Gonzalo Montero  
• Janet DiGioia

## DEATHS

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend there will be a special collection taken up for the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception** in Washington, D.C. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in the nation's preeminent Marian shrine, and is oftentimes affectionately referred to as America's Catholic Church. Open 365 days a year, the Basilica is host to nearly one million visitors annually, attracting pilgrims and tourists alike from across the country and around the world. Proceeds from this collection will assist with the completion of the central and final dome of the Basilica in mosaic, *The Holy Trinity*. This is a one-time collection. For more information about the Basilica visit: [www.nationalshrine.com](http://www.nationalshrine.com) or [www.trinitydome.org](http://www.trinitydome.org) to view pictures of what the dome will look like.

# IN THE COMMUNITY

## TOGETHER IN HOLINESS: CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

The **Archdiocese of San Francisco** and the **St. John Paul II Foundation** present the *2nd annual Together in Holiness Catholic Marriage Conference* on **Saturday, 05 AUG 2017** from **09:00 AM-03:45 PM** at **Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**, 1040 Alameda de Las Pulgas, Belmont. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass celebrated by **Archbishop Cordileone**, Eucharistic Adoration, and Reconciliation. Speakers include **Dr. Ray Guarendi**, national TV and radio host; **Mary Caprio**, Fellow of the St. John Paul II Foundation; and local speaker **John Hamlon**. Complimentary childcare (2-12 years) is available, space limited. Cost is **\$59/couple** or **\$35 individual**; early bird discounts are available until **30 JUN 2017**. To learn more and register visit [www.togetherinholiness.org](http://www.togetherinholiness.org) or contact **Susie Lopez 469/237-1029**, [susie@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:susie@forlifeandfamily.org)

## ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY GALA DINNER AND RAFFLE 2017

On **Saturday, 09 SEP 2017** at **05:00 PM** **St. Patrick's Seminary and University** will hold its annual fundraiser. This gala evening at St. Patrick's includes reception, dinner, raffle, and the honoring of two San Francisco women who have created a new pro-life tradition: **Dolores Meehan** and **Eva Muntean** are co-chairs of the *Walk for Life West Coast*. Founded in 2005, the Walk is now the second-largest pro-life event in the country, and the influx of young Catholics it generates each January makes it one of the most inspiring moments of the year in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Again this year, a highlight of the Gala evening is the Grand Raffle Prize of a new **Lexus IS 200T** (or **\$25,000**). A limited number of raffle tickets are available at **\$50** each (you need not be present to win). To buy raffle tickets in advance, phone or e-mail the Advancement Office, **650/289-3320** or [advancement@stpsu.edu](mailto:advancement@stpsu.edu).

For more information, and to register for the Gala, or to donate online visit [www.stpsu.edu/2017-stpsu-gala](http://www.stpsu.edu/2017-stpsu-gala). Please register by **03 SEP 2017**. Raffle tickets may also be purchased at the Nativity parish office **09:00 AM-04:00 PM Mon-Fri**.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TWILIGHT FASHION SHOW

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** of San Mateo County (SVdP) invites you to a *Happy Hour and Fashion Show* on **Tuesday, 22 AUG 2017** from **05:30-07:30 PM** in **Trinity Church's** beautiful courtyard, celebrating the courage and beauty of the women of SVdP's **Catherine Center** blossoming into new life. The women will model fashions from SVdP's thrift stores. The evening includes cocktails, mocktails, and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are **\$75** and can be purchased at [www.svdpsm.org](http://www.svdpsm.org) or <https://commitchange.com/nonprofits/3414/events/920>. Trinity Church is located at 330 Ravenswood Avenue, Menlo Park.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL STORE VOLUNTEERS

Would you like to give back by helping others? The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** in its Redwood City Store has volunteer cashier positions available right now. Hours are **12:00-03:00 PM** or **03:00-06:00 PM, Monday-Sunday**. Training will be provided. The mission of SVdP's stores is to offer free goods to our neighbors in need and low-cost options to customers shopping on a budget or interested in supporting a sustainably green community. For information on this exciting opportunity please contact **Alicia Rangel**, Stores General Manager at **650/588-5734**. We look forward to you joining our team!

## COME AND SEE!

Praising unceasingly. Blessing by intercession. Preaching through a life of contemplation. **Single, Catholic women** between the ages of **18-38** are invited to experience a taste of the life of a cloistered Dominican nun. Contact **Sister Joseph Marie, O.P.**, Vocation Directress, at [vocations@nunsmenlo.org](mailto:vocations@nunsmenlo.org), or visit our website at [www.nunsmenlo.org/discernment-days/](http://www.nunsmenlo.org/discernment-days/) to learn more and to register for one of our upcoming *Come and See Days*:

- **Saturday, 21 OCT 2017**
- **Saturday, 13 JAN 2018**

The event is free and all meals will be provided. Space is limited and fills fast!



## FROM THE HOLY SEE

### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for prayer intentions. For **July 2017**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

**Intention:** *Lapsed Christians*

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

### NATIVITY HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

Everyone is invited to attend our weekly holy hour for priests each **Sunday** evening at **07:00 PM**. It includes a rosary, chaplet of Divine Mercy, a mediation, brief talk on the spiritual life, and Benediction. Especially at this time, we need to lift up our priests both here in the parish and throughout the world with our prayer. Please join us.

### DEVOTION TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS



[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/heart/meditation.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/heart/meditation.htm)

[www.oblates.us/heart.htm](http://www.oblates.us/heart.htm)

[www.sacredheartdevotion.com](http://www.sacredheartdevotion.com)

### NATIVITY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Nativity School is currently accepting applications for grades Pre-K to 7th. Please call the school office, **650/325-7304**, to request an application or visit our school website at [www.nativityschool.com](http://www.nativityschool.com) > Admissions.

Nativity School, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights and privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school.

Nativity School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, and national and ethnic origin, age, sex, or disability in administration of educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

### BOOKLET: PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR THE WORLD

The *Praying the Rosary for the World: God's Power is in our Hands When We Pray the Rosary* booklet was compiled by the Cloistered Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park. It includes a prayer for each mystery of the Rosary, and a special intention for each "Hail Mary" related to the mystery



being said. Using this booklet while saying the Rosary will not only be helpful to you, but also for the world. You may purchase these booklets in the parish office during regular office hours, **Monday-Friday, 09:00 AM-04:00 PM**. The booklets are **\$2.00** apiece. All money will go directly to Corpus Christi Monastery.

## CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

<b>16 JUL (SUN)</b>	<b>Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>
<b>17 JUL (MON)</b>	
<b>18 JUL (TUE)</b>	
<b>19 JUL (WED)</b>	
<b>20 JUL (THU)</b>	
<b>21 JUL (FRI)</b>	
<b>22 JUL (SAT)</b>	FIRST Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>23 JUL (SUN)</b>	SECOND Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>24 JUL (MON)</b>	THIRD Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>25 JUL (TUE)</b>	FOURTH Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>26 JUL (WED)</b>	FIFTH Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>27 JUL (THU)</b>	SIXTH Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>28 JUL (FRI)</b>	SEVENTH Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>29 JUL (SAT)</b>	EIGHTH Day: St. Ignatius of Loyola

### FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

#### Novena to St. Ignatius of Loyola:

<http://svfonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Novena-St-Ignatius-Loyola.pdf>

### OTHER NOVENA PRAYERS

#### Infant Jesus of Prague (nine-hour):

[www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT](http://www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT)

#### St. Therese "24 Glory Be's" Novena:

[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24\\_glory.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24_glory.htm)

#### Novena for Priests:

[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm)

#### Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

[www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh\\_novena.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh_novena.htm)

### JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY: TEMPORARY MAINTENANCE WORKER

The Temporary Maintenance Worker is an integral part of our educational faith community, devoted to the mission of St. Patrick's Seminary and University. The Temporary Maintenance Worker is responsible for facilitating the day-to-day operations of the Institution, as directed by the Facilities & Grounds Manager. Key responsibilities include: maintaining the steam boiler, performing preventive and corrective maintenance on campus buildings, plumbing and rooms, regularly patching and painting walls, properly maintaining work equipment, occasionally completing janitorial tasks, and assisting in event set-up. The Temporary Maintenance Worker also understands and complies with OSHA standards and regulations by maintaining hazard-free work environments, properly using safety equipment, properly storing chemicals, and immediately reporting any hazardous working environments or injuries to the Facilities & Grounds Manager.

This is a full-time temporary non-exempt position: 40 hours per week with a standard work week set as Mon-Fri 07:30 AM-04:00 PM. To apply please submit a cover letter and resume to [david.flores@stpsu.edu](mailto:david.flores@stpsu.edu). You will be contacted within two weeks if we are considering your application.

# Young Believers

## NATIVITY SCHOOL OF RELIGION: 2017-2018

Registration has begun for Nativity's **Children's Faith Formation Program**. Children who attend public or independent schools in 1st through 8th grades should be enrolled in Nativity's School of Religion for ongoing faith formation.

Registration forms and information packets are available online ([www.nativitymenlo.org](http://www.nativitymenlo.org)) under the *School of Religion* link. We encourage all children to continue on in the School of Religion after receiving First Communion, through all grade levels until the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Mrs. Hickam will be available after Masses on **12-13, 20 and 26-27 AUG 2017** and **09-10 SEP 2017** to register your children and answer any questions about the program. **Sacrament Class** and **Classes for grades 1-6** are held on **Sundays** from **08:15-09:15 AM** at Nativity School and continue on into our **09:30 AM** Mass with our *Children's Liturgy of the Word* (beginning **24 SEP 2017**) Confirmation Preparation Classes are held on **Wednesday** evenings from **07:00-08:00 PM** in the O'Hare Center beginning **11 OCT 2017**.

**First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion** requires 2 years of instruction before a child is eligible to receive these Sacraments. Children should be enrolled in 1st grade.

**Confirmation Preparation** is also a 2-year program as required by the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Children should be enrolled as they enter 7th grade, but will include older students who have not yet been confirmed.

A kick-off celebration will be held on **17 SEP 2017** (Catechetical Sunday), after the **09:30AM** Mass. Classes begin on **Sunday, 24 SEP 2017** and the Confirmation Classes begin on **11 OCT 2017**.

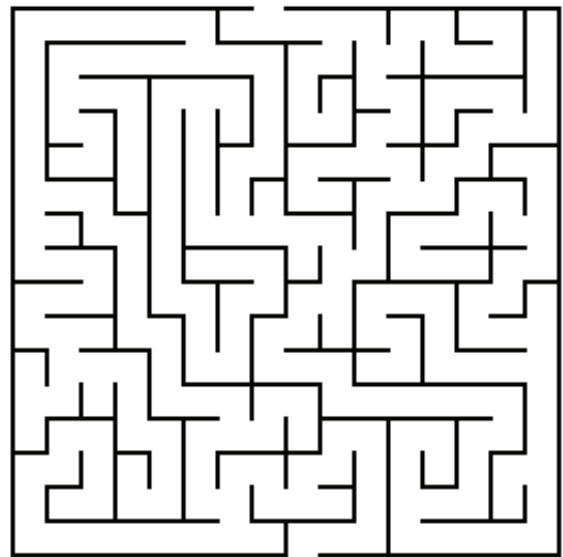
### Catechist Openings:

Help our children be all they can be! Become a catechist and use the talents God has given you to help teach our faith. No experience is necessary. Training is provided. Our program is in need of the following:

*Substitute Catechists*

*Assistants for Grade 1 to 4*

For questions or information please contact **Mrs. Monica Hicham** at **650/853-1009** or [mon.hickam@gmail.com](mailto:mon.hickam@gmail.com).



## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN/YOUNG ADULTS

**St. Charles Parish** is starting a new sacramental preparation ministry for children/young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special needs in **September 2017**. Sacramental preparation will cover the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation and also provide modified services that help them participate in the Mass and the Sacraments. Those eligible will be children/young adults who have been diagnosed with developmental disabilities. That is, any young person who requires assistance to perform ordinary daily tasks, whether intellectual, physical and/or psychological impairment.

If you are interested either as a parent interested for your child, or in becoming a special needs catechist, please contact **Ana Uribe-Ruiz** ([acuriberuiz@hotmail.com](mailto:acuriberuiz@hotmail.com)) or **Monica Miller** ([mmiller@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:mmiller@stcharlesparish.org)). Please contact them as soon as possible so they may begin working on the necessary accommodations for each individual.