



Special Needs & Disabilities  
Diocese of Tyler



## **Bridging the Gap: Faith Formation for Special Needs**

- ❖ **All families are welcome to attend any liturgy and celebrate even if their child has special needs which does not allow them to be quiet or to sit still.**
- ❖ **Encourage support group times for these families to meet.**
- ❖ **Celebrate a Saturday Special Needs Mass in your local parish.**
- ❖ **Encourage attendance at events offered in the Diocese: Catechist Camps, Social Events, Local Civic community events for families with special needs.**
- ❖ **Utilize peer ministry for socializing with special needs can be beneficial for both teens and those who have disabilities.**
- ❖ **Special Olympics in four locations in the Diocese of Tyler are sponsored in part by the Knights of Columbus.**
- ❖ **Individuals with special needs should be welcomed to participate in liturgical ministries as lectors, hospitality ministers, Eucharistic ministers, members of committees as their ability allows.**