

## Special Religious Education (SPRED)

SPRED is an opportunity for persons with developmental disabilities to participate in an adaptive religious education class. The lessons include a quieting, centering activity and focus on symbolic catechism. SPRED was created in the 1970s in Chicago, Illinois.

Currently, St. Joseph the Worker Parish is one of four SPRED programs within the Diocese of Scranton. Our group is designed for students approximately 6 to 10 years old, and we meet on Tuesday evenings in the Mater Dolorosa Parish Hall.

We are searching for dedicated, faithful, and patient volunteers to assist with this program. We hope to expand our program to serve more students in the near future. If you are able to commit to approximately two hours per week and participate as a helper catechist in this rewarding experience, please contact Amanda Bair at 244-7963 or Margaret Harpster at 322-4906 for more information.

Links:

<http://www.spred.org/>

<http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/OPL/DisabilitiesHomePage2.asp>

<http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/OPL/ReligiousEducationForStudentsWithSpecialNeedsMay20,2010.pdf>

