Catechetical Resources for Children and Youth with Disability

A PARTIAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

CATHOLIC CURRICULUM RESOURCES

Network of Inclusion Catholic Educators (NICE), University of Dayton:
Sacramental Preparation Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation: Individualizing Lesson Plans

Sacraments: Gifts for All. (Confirmation, Eucharist, and Reconciliation available)

Welcome One, Welcome All: Inclusive Religious Education Resource Binder.

All About Mass - Student Edition (Uses limited vocabulary and simple images to explain the mass in a way that both young children and adults with developmental disabilities can understand.)

Apostles Creed/ Mary/Sacraments/Beatitudes/Saints: Individual books on a variety of topics that can be used as a supplement.

Contact: Margaret.Shufflebarger @notes.udayton.edu
web www.udayton.edu/~ipi/nice, 1-888-532-3389.

RCL-Benziger:
Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Program to Improve Catholic Religious Education for Children and Adults with Mental Retardation

Level based Student Activity books are also available.

Published by Diocese of Pittsburgh; distributed by RCL-Benziger

Series of picture books published by Diocese of Pittsburgh and distributed by RCL-Benziger:

My Church: A young girl shares her Catholic Deaf Community
Created in God’s Image: A Photo-essay on Faith, Family, and Friendship
Seeing Through God’s Eyes
Just Like Me
We Go To Mass (geared for children with autism)
One Flock, One Shepherd: A Collection of Prayers by Parents of Children Who Are Disabled

Contact: RCL-Benziger - www.rclbenziger.com or 1-877-275-4725.

My First Eucharist / Sacrament of Reconciliation: These videos and teachers guides created by the National Catholic Office for the Deaf (NCOD) provides a signed and closed captioned sacrament preparation to assist in preparing deaf children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. (www.ncod.org)
Labosh Publishing:


Cardinal Stritch University Bookstore:
*Journey with Jesus: Call to Love* by Sr. Sheila Haskett, O.S.F.  Suggestions for Special Religious Education for Persons Categorized as Severely/Profoundly Mentally Retarded.  Topics covered: Call to Be; Call to Respond; Call to be Loving.

*Call to Communion; Call to Reconciliation. Call to Service* (Confirmation). Each of these also has a black line picture book for the participants. (Note: These are for those with special education needs, but not classified as severely/profoundly mentally retarded.)

*Seasons of Grace: Sacramental Preparation for Mentally Handicapped Teens and Adults* by Brigid O'Donnell.

*Journey with Jesus Gospel Study: A Curriculum Guide for Adult Special Religious Education* by Sr. M. Sheila Haskett, O.S.F., Ph.D. and Sr. M. Coletta Dunn, O.S.F., Ph.D.

**Contact:** Cardinal Stritch University Bookstore; (414) 410-4035 or http://www.csu.bkstr.com/.


OTHER CATHOLIC RESOURCES


*Creative Teaching* website:  Offers creative resources to use for reinforcing the understanding of the sacraments and teachings of Catholic Church.  There are resources for readers and nonreaders, useful for learners with and without disabilities.  Creative Teaching games and activities have been granted Nihil Obstat and Imprimatur that is referenced on the website.  1-586-992-2368 or www.creativeteaching.net

*This Is My Church.*  A power point template of a church tour that you may insert digital photos of your own church to share with your child(ren) to become familiar with it.  Department for Pastoral Ministry with Persons with Disabilities, Archdiocese of Newark.  masteran@rcan.org or 973-497-4309.


Resources from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB):


**Interfaith Resources**


Autism and Faith: A Journey into Community. A resource booklet for faith communities on including people and families living with autism. It is a collaborative product of The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities at UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and
COSAC (The New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community). It is generously funded by a grant from The Daniel Jordan Fiddle Foundation.

*A Place Called Acceptance: Ministry with Families of Children with Disabilities* by Kathleen Deyer Bolduc.


*Learning the Lord’s Prayer; Time with God* and other titles available from Friendship Ministries, 1-800-333-8300 or www.friendship.org.


**CHILDREN’S BOOKS**


AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE RESOURCES


www.aslpro.com – video online dictionary. Has religion section, as well as other categories.


Signing at Church for Adults and Young Adults. Order # GP-098.
Signing at Sunday School. Order #GP-099.

BRAILLE & LARGE PRINT RESOURCES
Xavier Society for the Blind–Provides free spiritual and inspiration reading materials and lending library services in Braille, large print and audiocassette formats. 1-212-473-7800; 1-800-637-9193, www.xaviersociety.org


GENERAL LEARNING AND DISABILITIES


AUTISM-SPECIFIC RESOURCES
My Best Friend Will by Jamie Lowell and Tara C. Tuchel, M.S., CCC-SLP. Shawnee Mission, KS: Autism Asperger Publishing col, 2005. www.asperger.net. Jamie introduces us to her friend Willie, who has autism. She does so in a way that is both informative and natural, as if we were
sitting together in person. In the process, we learn many specifics about autism, which is part of his uniqueness, but also about the things that she and her friend shares. Jamie is a 5th grader from Wisconsin. She and Willie have been friends since Kindergarten.


ADHD/ADD RESOURCES


All About Attention Deficit Disorder by Thomas W. Phelan, Ph.D. Glen Ellyn, IL: Child Management Inc, 1996.

WEBSITE RESOURCES


NCOD - The National Catholic Office for the Deaf, www.ncod.org
Church Access for Persons with Disabilities; Catholic Theological Information & Practical Advice - http://www.catholicdisabilityteachings.com/


US GOVERNMENT Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - www.cdc.gov/az.do (alphabetical listing)


INTELLECTUAL & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
† The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities - http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter/

† American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities - www.aaidd.org

† COSAC - The New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community - www.njcosac.org/cosacindex.

† United Cerebral Palsy - www.ucp.org


† The National Association for Down Syndrome - www.nads.org

† Tourette Syndrome “Plus” - www.tourettesyndrome.net/index.htm - awesome website on Tourette Syndrome “Plus” many useful resources for other disabilities as well.

ADD/HD & LEARNING DISABILITIES
† Children and Adults with ADD/HD - www.chadd.org/

† Website on learning disabilities, including adhd - www.ldonline.org

† www.schwablearning.org Unfortunately, will be going off the web sometime soon, but transferring ownership. So perhaps will still be helpful.

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