

Dear Catechetical Colleagues:

This week we want to focus on the special place grandparents hold within the family and the domestic church. Please take a look at the resources listed below and see how grandparents can be, and certainly are a very important part of passing on the Catholic faith.

#### CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS

Pope Francis has invited those in Faith Formation to dedicate time and attention to grandparents who are an important part of the family and several of them are now raising their grandchildren, thus becoming the first educators in the faith. He also stresses that “Grandparents are a treasure. To see a short video of his message to grandparents, please click on the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhunM57SLow>

Here is a list of articles that can help in ministering to grandparents in the parishes:

[5 Goals for Catholic Grandparents](#)

[6 New Ways to Stay Connected to Grandchildren](#)

[Are You an Intentional Grandparent?](#)

[Can Grandparents Help Pass on the Faith?](#)

[A Grand Love: Grandparents Fill a Special Role](#)

[Grandparents are More Important Than Ever](#)

[Grandparents are a Treasure](#)

[The Role of Grandparents](#)

**Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:**

**[“And the Desert Will Bloom: Experiencing More of God’s Grace in Everyday Life”](#)** Retreat led by Fr. James Northrop- June 22-24 at ABRC.

**RCIA and Tribunal Training- September 6th at Chancery Building, Isaac Orr Conference Room. *Please register by August 30th.*** • How does a previous marriage impact celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation in the Church? • How will I know if there are any obstacles to celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation? • How do I handle documents and records for RCIA? To register, click [here](#).

Questions: [evangelization@seattlearch.org](mailto:evangelization@seattlearch.org)

**[The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games](#)** The **Archdiocese of Seattle Catholic Schools**, guided by the spirit of the **Diversified Learners Committee**, is excited to announce our partnership and commitment to supporting the **[2018 Special Olympics USA Games!](#)** July 1-6, 2018.

**Special Olympics Mass** will be celebrated by Archbishop Sartain at Kane Hall, Rm 130, UW Campus. For full details, click [here](#).

[The Art of Faith: A Week Long Workshop for Teens](#) July 16-20 & 22, St. James Cathedral, Seattle. Create banners for use in the Mass-Apprentice with accomplished artists-Explore the Cathedral art collections-Learn about liturgical colors and symbols.

[Misal Romano Workshop](#) July 18th- St. Louise Church, Bellevue. This national workshop, presented by the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions, in collaboration with the USCCB, will examine the revised text and equip clergy, lay leaders, and pastoral musicians with resources to aid parish formation and liturgical formation on the Misal Romano.

In Christ,

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