

What is SPICE?

Special People In Catholic Education(SPICE) fosters an awareness that children with special learning needs belong to our parish. SPICE allows administrators, teachers, students, parents, and the parish community to share in the responsibility of living out our parish mission by providing funding for the following opportunities:

- classroom aides, tutors, and interpreters
- speech and occupational therapists
- teacher and staff continuing education
- classroom support materials and software and more

These enhancements to the educational process will provide the necessary programming for children with special learning needs while allowing all of our parish children to experience a more effective education in both the school and Parish School of Religion (PSR) environment.

How did SPICE begin?

SPICE originated at St. Catharine parish in Columbus, Ohio. SPICE has borne much fruit, building awareness for individuals with special needs in the Diocese of Columbus and beyond. SPICE has the support of the Bishop and the Diocesan Office of Religious Education. St. Cecilia, St. James the Less, Our Lady of Peace, St. Matthew, St. Brigid of Kildare, St. Timothy, and St. Brendan parishes have all implemented the SPICE program since its inception at St. Catharine.



Let us join Christ in breaking down those walls that separate us from one another.



How can I help?

Yes! I would like to work with SPICE

Great! We are a diverse group of parents with and without special needs children, teachers, and parishioners. We need your opinions and creative ideas to make SPICE a success! We welcome you!

Yes! I would like to help put some SPICE into St. Mary Parish and School

Your prayers, commitment, and financial support are all needed for the success of SPICE. All efforts are equally important, and we thank you for whatever you can do.

Donations can be given to the school or parish office. Please make checks payable to St. Mary SPICE. All gifts are tax deductible. Please call with any questions. (614) 561–9825



St. Mary SPICE
Mission Statement

St. Mary SPICE Program recognizes that each of our parish children are unique individuals with different learning needs. SPICE supports serving the educational needs of these children.

We believe that children have different learning styles that provide diversity in the classroom environment. Working together with the support of the SPICE, the parish community, pastor, administration, teachers and parents can help to provide understanding, information, creativity and willingness to address special educational needs.



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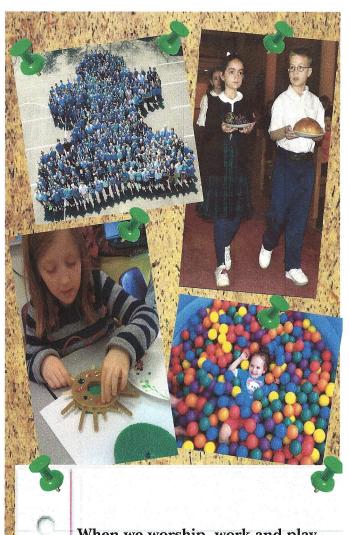
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When we worship, work and play together as a community, we learn to appreciate individual strengths, talents and gifts...and everyone benefits!