FAITH FORMATION POLICIES OF ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH For the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation

- Children are asked to participate in the Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) every year.
- The preferred age to make **First Communion** is when a child is in second grade.
 - 1. Children must be attending the program/or another catechetical program one year prior to receiving a sacrament.
 - 2. There are special First Communion classes for students who are older (grades 4 and above).
 - a. older students are also required to be enrolled in class one year prior to receiving First Communion.
- After receiving First Communion, children are expected to return to formation classes the next year in order to continue their faith formation.
- **Confirmation**-The archbishop only comes to our parish every other year.
- **Confirmation** will be held next at St. Julie in 2017.
- The usual age for **Confirmation** is Grades 7 and 8.
- Children must have participated in Faith Formation classes at <u>least</u> the year prior to receiving the sacrament.
- Attendance is very important-students missing 5 classes will be required to have a parent-coordinator conference.

After receiving Confirmation, students are expected to return to Formation classes the next year in order to continue their faith Formation.