

* 5 YEARS STRONG *

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OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

98 Parishes • 36 Schools • 1 Cause

2,287 Criminal Background Screenings Completed 2016/17

35,307 Adults Trained Since 2002

98+ Safe Environment Coordinators (SEC)

- Appointed at Every Parish and School
- Ensure Compliance with Adult Screening Requirements and Oversee Child Safety Training

12,962 Children and Youth

10,892 – Children trained in *Circle of Grace*

2,070 – Youth trained in *Called to Protect*

79 VIRTUS® Facilitators

- Provided 147 *Protecting God's Children Adult Workshops*
- 2,244 Adults Trained in 2016/17



OUR PLEDGE TO HEAL

Our Commitment

Care

Listen

Affirm

Support

Safeguard



Our Hope Box pictured here contains petitions from those who attended the Service of Lament in June 2016. Blessed by Bishop Johnston on that day, held in sacred trust by the Office of Child and Youth Protection, these serve as a daily reminder of the grave responsibility to safeguard the stories courageously shared. When the time is right, the Hope box will be unlocked and shared in a way that preserves privacy and honors the content. As more victims, survivors, and thrivers come forward their petitions are added to the box. Please join us as we pray for hope and healing.

**ABANDONED
IN SUFFERING -**

**ONE IN
RENEWAL**

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ADULT SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Workshop
2. Commit to Diocesan Code of Ethics – Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM)
3. Successful Background Screening

OMBUDSMAN'S PROMISE

Report all credible abuse allegations to proper civil authorities, whether current or decades ago. Conduct a full and fair investigation. Notify Independent Review Board. No exceptions.

RESPONDING TO SEXUAL ABUSE 12 REPORTS NAMING 12 PEOPLE

The credibly accused is immediately placed on a precautionary suspension from all duties within the Church.

- 1 **Credible:** The accused is deceased and previously removed from public ministry.
- 1 **Unsubstantiated:** An initial investigation determined sufficient evidence exists to demonstrate the allegation did not occur as claimed.
- 2 **Unable to be Proven:** An initial investigation determined that insufficient evidence exists to conclude that the alleged abuse did or did not occur.
- 4 **Investigations Pending:** All named have been placed on precautionary administrative leave restricting any form of ministry or service pending investigation.
- 4 Referred to Religious Community or Another Diocese.



21 TOTAL PERSONS
REPORTS OF ABUSE AND
BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS

- 6 Clergy
- 5 Employee
- 7 Volunteer
- 3 Religious Order

ADDRESSING BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS

A PROACTIVE APPROACH

These reports stem from an adult who violates established boundaries with a child. Some situations originate from a lack of understanding while others indicate predator behavior.

- 5 Persons Educated and Returned with Supervision to Service
- 3 Persons Separated from Employment or Restricted in Ministry or Volunteer Service
- 1 Situation Referred to Religious Community

SAFETY PLANS – 6 PLANS

Safety plans are developed when the Church becomes aware that a member may pose a risk.

- 1 Identified from a history of suspicious or criminal behavior or OCYP intervention
- 5 Identified from Civil Authority Investigation or Sexual Offender Registry

79 TOTAL REPORTS

- 12 Sexual Abuse
- 9 Boundary Violations
- 6 Safety Plans
- 52 Referrals

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