

# Every child deserves a **safe environment.**

Ministry to children and young people is a **privilege**, not a right.

The sexual abuse of minors is a **crime** and a **grave sin.**

In accordance with diocesan policy, when a single act of sexual abuse is admitted or established, the offender is to be **removed permanently** from ministry.

To help hold offenders accountable, report all abuse to **local public authorities**. You can also contact your local diocesan victim assistance coordinator to make a report and seek outreach for the abused.

