



DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY – ST. JOSEPH

POLICY ON TEMPORARY MINISTRY OF 30 DAYS OR MORE

The following outlines the safe environment requirements that must be met by those coming into the Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph to serve on a temporary basis of at least 30 days. All requirements must be met prior to the start of ministry.

1. An active VIRTUS account for our Diocese
2. Documentation of completed “Ethics and Integrity in Ministry” in an active VIRTUS account for our Diocese
3. Documentation of a completed and clear criminal background screening in an active VIRTUS account for our Diocese
4. Documentation of a completed online module of “Protecting God’s Children for Adults” assigned by the OCYP in an active VIRTUS account for our Diocese

The Vicar General for Pastoral Affairs (or designee) will communicate these requirements to those wishing to minister within the Diocese. A document explaining these requirements, and the steps to be taken, will be provided from the OCYP to the Vicar General for Pastoral Affairs (or designee) for use with these situations.

The Vicar General for Pastoral Affairs (or designee) will provide all names of those described in this protocol to the Safe Environment Program Coordinator so that modules may be assigned and compliance monitored. The start and end dates of ministry will also be provided so that VIRTUS accounts can be inactivated at the appropriate times.

The OCYP reserves the right to make case-by-case decisions and exceptions to this policy that may be more or less restrictive if deemed necessary based on the situation.