



Child Safeguarding & Protection Service

Child Safeguarding Policy Statement

As a constituent member of the Catholic Church in Ireland, we recognise and uphold the dignity and rights of all children, are committed to ensuring their safety and well-being and will work in partnership with parents/ guardians to do this. We recognise each child as a gift from God, and we value and encourage the participation of children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development.

All Church personnel (including clergy, religious, staff and volunteers) have a responsibility to safeguard children through promoting their welfare, health and development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse.

If you have a concern about the safety or welfare of a child, you can contact either:

Andrew Fagan, Director, andrew.fagan@dublindiocese.ie or
Deirdre Donnelly, Safeguarding and Support Officer, deirdre.donnelly@dublindiocese.ie
of the Child Safeguarding & Protection Service, 20-23 Arran Quay, Dublin 7, DO7 XK85.
Tel. 01-8360314 (Mon-Fri: 09:00 – 17:00). www.csps.dublindiocese.ie

You can also contact your local Tusla, Child and Family Agency office or, in an emergency, your local Garda station.

Local Tusla Office: **01-771-8500** Local Garda Station: **LVJK 01-843-7222**

Your Parish Safeguarding Representative(s) is/ are available to offer you advice and assistance on working safely with children and vulnerable adults in a parish context.
Their name(s) is/ are: **Villa O'Riordan**

Contact can be made through the parish office, telephone: **01-843-8421**

If you have a concern about the safety or welfare of a vulnerable adult, you can also contact Andrew Fagan or Deirdre Donnelly (contact details above) for advice and assistance.

Archdiocese of Dublin