

Archdiocese Youth Protection Policy

Key Points for Our Parish

Who Must Comply

- All clergy, parish council members, staff, youth workers, and anyone with more than incidental contact with youth must:
 - Read and sign the youth protection policy annually
 - Complete **youth safety training yearly**
 - Pass a **background check every 3 years**

What To Do If You Have Reasonable Suspicion of Abuse

- Ensure the Youth's Safety
- Inform the Senior Pastor
- Report to Legal Authorities and HR
- Never investigate yourself; never promise secrecy
- If immediate danger: Call 911

Parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to supervise their children at all times outside of formal youth programs (such as coffee hour, potlucks, times of fellowship, or times when youth are "hanging out" outside of scheduled youth events). Young children (ages 9 and under) especially should not be left unsupervised on church grounds once youth programs end.

The church is compliant with all Pennsylvania laws as well. Please see Fr. Noah or Keith with any questions on the policy or the church's implementation.

Youth Protection Policy Website:



Full Youth Protection Policy:

