



August 23, 2023

Parents,

The Arlington Diocese requires that any adult who has significant contact with the children of our parish/school **MUST** complete several steps to insure the safety of our children. These mandates include:

1. Reading the Diocesan Policy on the Protection of Children/Young People and the Prevention of Sexual Misconduct and/or Child Abuse. After reading, an Acknowledgement of Receipt and a 6-page Questionnaire must be filled out and submitted to the Diocese.
2. Undergo background checks.
3. Attending a seminar on child safety (Protecting God's Children). Seminars are held at various parishes throughout the diocese. To find out where and when a seminar is being held, go to www.virtus.org. Search through the available dates and times, make a choice, register, and attend the session.

All of the above are pre-conditions to volunteering in activities that involve interaction with children of our parish/school. While we realize that these requirements may be inconvenient to some, they are mandates from the Diocese, and are required for all volunteers who have interaction with children. More importantly, they are designed to protect our children from abuse.

- I have filled out all of the required paperwork and attended a VIRTUS seminar. I understand I am fully compliant at this time.
- I have not completed the required paperwork to meet the Office of Child Protection and Young People requirements.
- I would like to receive information to become fully compliant with these requirements.

I have read the above material and understand that I must be fully compliant in all areas to volunteer when supervising children at Saint Ann Catholic School and/or Saint Ann Catholic Church. This includes providing the proper paperwork and attendance at a diocesan VIRTUS seminar.

Printed Name

Signature

Date