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This is what Yahweh asks of you, only this,
That you act justly, that you love tenderly,
That you walk humbly with your God
(Mic.6v.8)



*For God so loved the world that
he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall
not perish but have eternal life.*

John 3:16

Come Celebrate the Child A date for your diary



Our Annual Family Celebration Mass continues its pilgrimage around the diocese and this year will be held at Notre Dame College for the Arts, Great Homer Street, Liverpool, L5 5AF on Sunday 1st July at 3.00pm. Picnic & Fun activities will begin from 1pm

The Main Celebrant will be Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP.
Mass will be followed by afternoon tea.

Perhaps join with a neighbouring parish and share the cost of a coach.
Can we please ask that the enclosed poster is displayed on your parish notice board.

(Please note this poster has only been issued to parish priests)

For more information please contact The Safeguarding Office

An Easter Prayer

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son
has given us new life and renewed hope.
Help us to live as new people
in pursuit of the Christian ideal.
Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,
the will to want to do it,
the courage to undertake it,
the perseverance to continue to do it, and
the strength to complete it.



Together we can tackle child abuse, is a Government campaign, led by the Department for Education. It encourages members of the public to help protect children and young people by reporting any concerns of abuse or neglect to their local council. We all have a role to play in protecting children and young people from child abuse and neglect. But right now, some people do not report their concerns because they're not certain of the signs, don't know where to report, or are worried about being wrong. This means that local councils could be missing out on vital information they need to keep children safe from harm. This campaign aims to tackle the barriers that stop people reporting, educating people about signs to spot and how to report, so that children and young people at risk get the help they need more quickly.

In a nutshell, the campaign aims to:

- **Inform** people about the different types of child abuse and neglect
- **Educate** people on how to spot the signs
- **Reassure** people about the reporting process, and support them through it.

Further information regarding this campaign can be found at these web links:

<https://tacklechildabuse.campaign.gov.uk/> <https://www.gov.uk/report-child-abuse>

The Government Website also has a direct link which will enable you to contact your local council if you are concerned about a child or young person at risk or who is being abused or neglected.

<https://www.gov.uk/report-child-abuse-to-local-council>

Dealing with Sexual Violence and Harassment Guidance. DFE released guidance for schools and colleges in December 2017. The guidance, which can be obtained from ([https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/667862/Sexual_Harassment_and_Sexual_Violence - Advice.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/667862/Sexual_Harassment_and_Sexual_Violence_-_Advice.pdf)) provides advice on how to prevent and respond to reports on dealing with sexual violence and harassment. Guidance covers:

- What sexual violence and harassment is
- Schools' and colleges' legal responsibilities
- A whole school/college approach to safeguarding and child protection.
- How to respond to reports of Sexual violence and harassment

CSAS Resource Pack

The CSAS resource pack has recently been updated this supersedes all previous versions. The updated manual is in a new format with a significant number of new chapters and features, including information on creating a safe environment, good practice guidance and standards, hiring of parish premises and much more. It can be found at <http://www.csasprocedures.uk.net/index.html>. Please take the time to log on and explore the site.

Do you have a training need that is not being met?

If any individual parishes have any requests for training please contact the office.

We are happy to facilitate training for volunteers, parish reps or specific group/s.

Training available upon request: DBS & Ebulk refresher, Safeguarding Awareness (adults & children), undertaking risk assessments. Training can be tailored made to your needs.

To request training please contact the safeguarding department at:

safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk or 0151 522 1043



Red Mission Boxes. Those who volunteer for Missio, through the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF) to empty the Red Mission Boxes **do not meet the criteria for a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.**

It is the responsibility of APF to ensure that all its volunteers are aware of its safeguarding 'best practice' recommendations and that they are made aware of the need to exercise care in carrying out their duties to minimise the risk of any concerns being raised regarding their conduct by the public. The guidance issued to Local Secretaries and Promoters / Zelators means:

- Their work as collectors does not **necessarily** involve them in going into the homes of the box-holders.
- When collectors go into homes for a chat whilst collecting, it is because they know the box-holder from Church.
- They should usually only go into homes by prior arrangement and so, should phone beforehand.
- The collection should be announced in the parish newsletter so that box holders can be ready.
- Promoters/zelators must also **carry their identity card signed by the parish priest identifying them as bona fide collectors.**

It is essential that promoters / zelators whilst working for the Red Boxes must not go into a house where there are unsupervised children, even if they are known to the children. The Safeguarding Department have been assured that this policy has been distributed to every Diocesan Director, Parish Priest, local secretary for APF and to every Diocesan Director and volunteer for Mission Together.

If this is not the case in your Parish, please contact the Safeguarding Department.



Children's Liturgy is a celebration of the Liturgy of the Word in a manner related to the lives and experiences of children.

The Archdiocese of Liverpool embraces its role in supporting all children and young people to achieve their full potential in an environment where they are protected from exploitation, abuse and maltreatment.

The Archdiocese also supports all adults volunteering within this ministry, who in conjunction with the Archdiocese have a responsibility to act and intervene when it appears that children need to be made safe from harm, whether the risk of harm is Neglect, Sexual Abuse, Physical Abuse or Emotional Abuse. This training will equip participants with the skills needed to meet their responsibilities.

Can we please ask you to inform your children's liturgy / youth catechists of this training and place the attached notice showing details of the dates & venues available on your parish notice board.

The Training will be delivered at the following venues:

Saturday 5th May 2018, 10:00 to 13:00 @ St Helen Parish Centre, Alexander Road Crosby L23 7TQ

Monday 14th May 2018, 10:00 to 13:00 @ LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park L17 1AA. **

Wednesday 23rd May 2018 10:00 to 13:00 @ LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park L17 1AA. **

Saturday 2nd June 2018 10:00 to 13:00 @ St Marie's (Our Lady of the Annunciation) Parish Hall Almond Brook Rd, Wigan WN6 0TB

Saturday 23rd June 2018 10:00 to 13:00 @ Our Lady of The Annunciation (Bishop Eton) Woolton Road L16 8NQ

To reserve a place on any of the events please contact the Safeguarding Department on

0151 522 1043 / 0151 522 1103 or via email: safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk

Please note ** Places at LACE are limited to the first 16 applicants

(Please note this form has only been issued to parish priests)

Forms & Guidance

Don't forget all our guidance and forms can be found through the following web address:

<http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/safeguarding/>

- Confirmation of Identity form (DBS3a) , please dispose of all other versions. *(Please note this form has only been issued to parish reps)*

Ebulk

- Please find enclosed an updated list for roles requiring a DBS Check, this list will enable reps to choose the correct church ministry when more than one role is undertaken by the volunteer. *(Please note this form has only been issued to parish reps)*
- Birth / marriage certificates can only be accepted when issued from the **UK or Channel islands.**
- When photocopying identity documents please ensure that they are a clear copy, if using the old style paper driving licence it must be copied in its entirety so that name, address, date of issue, date of expiry and date of birth are clear, including any endorsements.
- The Department has an obligation to ensure that all personal data held electronically, remains secure whilst in storage and also whilst being transmitted therefore **we cannot accept any scanned forms or identity documents.**
- Please do not **staple forms together**, use staples only for copies of ID documents if necessary.

EduCare[®]

A reminder that EduCare, the e-Learning programme which raises awareness and understanding across child and vulnerable adult activities. is open to our clergy and volunteer workforce but also to other members of our parish communities, for example schools, & parents.

To **Download a Brochure** and see the courses available go to www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk

Please note: the Safeguarding Department will close on Wednesday 28th March at 5pm and will re-open on Tuesday 3rd April at 9am.

If you have a concern about anyone in immediate danger please contact the police or social care.

Who's who — Commission

Dr Margaret Goddard	- Chairperson
Fr Tom Neylon	- Trustee
Rev Aidan Kelly	- Clergy Representative
Denise Malcolm	- Merseyside Police
Jackie Walsh	- Merseyside Probation
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Ann Hennessy	- Parish Representative
Julie Knowles	- Alder Hey Hospital
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Please keep in touch for advice, support or any queries

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