

# The Diocese of Meath

## Child safeguarding policy statement of the constituent members of the Catholic Church in Ireland

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, volunteers and any other Church personnel) 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.

### Details of personnel to contact if you are concerned about the welfare and safety of children

#### **Designated Liaison Person:**

Marie O'Sullivan Tel. 083 317 5742

#### **Tusla (Child and Family Agency):**

Tel. 046 9098560

#### **Gardai (local):**

#### **Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau:**

01 6663430