



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 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 are concerned about the welfare and safety of a child, please see reporting contact details below. You can also visit www.augustinians.ie for more information and view a copy of our Tusla 'Child Safeguarding Statement'.

Augustinian Designated Liaison Person:

Tony Murphy (087 2211235) - Augustinian Provincial Office, 16 Zion Road, Rathgar, Dublin, 6 – D06FA30. Safeguarding@augustinians.ie

TUSLA - Child & Family Agency: Block 36, St. Finbarr's Campus, Douglas Road, Cork (021 4923493). Office Hours: 9am – 5pm Weekdays only. Out of Hours (Nightly 6pm – 6am & W/Ends 9am – 5pm) for Mandated Persons only (0818 776 315). www.tusla.ie

Gardaí: Bridewell Garda Station, Cornmarket St; (021 494 3330). National Protective Services Bureau (01 6663438) or Confidential Freephone 24/7 (1800 555 222). www.garda.ie