



The Catholic Parish of Sacred Heart and St Columba

*Our Parish is a Christian community which welcomes all to walk together
in a spirit of compassion, justice and hope.*

*Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity
of all children and vulnerable adults.*

Safeguarding Report for 2 November 2023 PLDT meeting

Parish Safeguarding Weekend

Could any PLDT members who haven't read and signed the Code of Conduct Declaration please do so.

Archdiocese of Melbourne's Safeguarding Unit

Over the next few weeks, the Safeguarding Unit will be releasing updated policies, procedures and resources as part of the second edition of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne's Safeguarding Children and Young People Framework.

Aligned to the new Victorian Child Safe Standards, this suite of policies, procedures, information sheets, templates and resources will be made accessible via our website, and will serve to assist and support parishes in their ongoing implementation of safeguarding requirements, ensuring that a culture of safety continues to be created across the Archdiocese.

Some of these new and updated resources include:

- Safeguarding and Wellbeing of Children and Young People Policy
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Anti-discrimination and Racism Policy
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Record Keeping Policy
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Reporting Procedure
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct
- Information sheets and templates.

Safeguarding Essentials training module.

There are still a few PLDT members who haven't completed the training module so we ask them to do so.

Please access the training here:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules>

We respectfully acknowledge the Yaluk-ut Weelam clan of the Boonwurrung Nation who are the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land.