

VIRTUS TRAINING

All those over 16 years of age who volunteer or work with children more than once a month or more than four (4) hours a month through a parish program, are to take Virtus training to be in compliance with the Diocesan Policy for the Safety of Children in Matters of Sexual Abuse: Revised, 2007.

This 3-hour training on child sexual abuse awareness is presented at many locations throughout the diocese at no cost to you. St. Mary's will also cover for our volunteers the cost of being fingerprinted/ having a Background Check done with the State of Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCII). Those who have not resided in Ohio for the last five (5) years will need to have an FBI Background Check done at the Sheriff's Office.

This policy applies, but is not limited, to:

- CYO Coaches
- P.S.R. Catechists
- St. Mary School Teachers, Substitute Teachers & all Employees
- Playground Monitors
- Cafeteria Aides
- Classroom Aides
- All Extended Care Personnel
- Vacation Bible School Adult Crew Leaders
- Choir Leaders (*when the choir includes minors*)
- Scout Leaders

Parents, caregivers, and others who are interested are always welcome to attend a Virtus class.

Any questions? Contact Carol Burtnett, parish Virtus Coordinator
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