ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic Parish Elm Grove, WI

Safeguarding Program

The Safeguarding Program is Safe Environment Education for anyone working in any capacity with children. The full name of the program is: Safeguarding All of God's Family. The goal of the Safeguarding All of God's Family program is to protect our children and all in the church family from sexual abuse and related dangers.

Keeping children safe from sexual abuse is a priority of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The Church is different today because of the courage of victims / survivors who have come forward, told their painful stories, and worked diligently to implement initiatives designed to guard against anything like this ever happening again.

Complete information and scheduling for the program is administered via the <u>Archdiocese of Milwaukee</u> <u>website's safeguarding section</u>. There is content specific to:

- Parish and School Employees and Volunteers
- Pastors, Principals and Safe Environment Coordinators
- Principals, Religious Education Directors, Teachers, and Catechists

Important notice for people attending Safe Environment Education Sessions:

All participants must arrive on time and stay for the entire session. Latecomers will not be admitted and those who leave early will not receive credit for attendance.

Safe Environment Education sessions are not appropriate for those under the age of 18 and out of High School. Please do not bring your underage children unless the location specifies that child care is provided.

On the archdiocese website, there is additional resources on each of the following:

- Safeguarding All of God's Family Introduction and Details
- Pastors, Principals and Coordinators
- Facilitators
- Employees and Volunteers
- Educator Resources
- Community Agencies for Victims
- Where To Get Help?
- Events
- Restricted Diocesan Priests
- FAQs
- Resources
- Safe Environment Week (2012)
- Social Networking Policy