



**We, the RELIGIOUS of the SACRED HEART of MARY,
give our wholehearted support to this Safeguarding
Statement and commit ourselves to upholding it.**

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN: POLICY AND STANDARDS

FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND 2016

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 right 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.

Details of Personnel to Contact if you are Concerned about the Welfare and Safety of Children

DLP: Sr Ellen O'Leary RSHM **TEL:** 086 3997556

Deputy LP: Sr Mary Mullins RSHM **TEL:** 087 6672811

POLICE: An Garda Siochana
National Bureau for Criminal Investigation
Harcourt Street
Dublin 2

TEL: 01 6663430 or 01 6663436

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICE: DUBLIN

Dublin North (Drumcondra communities): Main St, Ballymun; **Tel:** 01-8467140

Dublin South (Tallaght Community): Chamber House, Tallaght; **Tel:** 01-4686289

Dublin West (Huntstown Community) Roselawn Health Centre: **Tel:** 01-6464518

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICE: WATERFORD

Waterford Community Care Office, Park Road, Waterford. **Tel:** 051 842827

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICE: NORTHERN IRELAND

PSNI Belfast Public Protection Unit **Tel:** 028 9065 0222

NORTHERN IRELAND SOCIAL SERVICES

AGENCY: Belfast HSC Trust

Duty Social Worker: Gateway Team **Tel:** 028 9050 7000

Out-of-Hours Social Worker **Tel:** 028 9056 5444

PSNI South Eastern Public Protection Unit **Tel:** 028 9065 0222

NORTHERN IRELAND SOCIAL SERVICES

AGENCY: South Eastern HSC Trust

Duty Social Worker: Gateway Team **Tel:** 0300 1000 300

Out-of-Hours Social Worker **Tel:** 028 9056 5444