

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN: POLICY AND STANDARDS
FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND 2016**

Child Safeguarding Policy Statement of the Presentation Sisters South West Province (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.

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

DLP: Elizabeth Ryan

Tel:

Email: sr.elizabethryan@gmail.com

POLICE:

An Garda Siochana
(Dedicated 24hr Freephone Line)

Tel: 1800 555 222

CHILD PROTECION SERVICE:

Tusla – Child and Family Agency

Tel: 01 771 8500

Email: info@tusla.ie