

SAFE MINISTRY UPDATE

Synod Fast Approaching

Please ensure all Synod Reps are up to date with their Safe Ministry requirements – for those not in child related role you need to complete the following:

- Safe Ministry Form 5
- Volunteer National Police Clearance
- Safe Ministry Training Level 1

Contact Safe Ministry if you have any questions

Parish Council Question

Safe Ministry have been delivering information sessions to LPM's, new Parish Council members and at the Rural Gathering over the past few months. One key discussion point is the implementation of the Child Safe Standards.

As a Parish Council are you aware of the requirements under the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations and what that means for your parish?

Quick tip: See

www.wa.gov.au/organisation/departments-of-communities/child-safe-organisations and the Child Safe Standards attached.

We're committed to being a child safe organisation

The National Principles for Child Safe Organisations provide a consistent approach to embedding a child safe culture and practices in organisations.

The 10 National Principles are:

- 1 Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.
- 2 Children and young people are informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.
- 3 Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.
- 4 Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.
- 5 People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.
- 6 Processes to respond to complaints and concerns are child focused.
- 7 Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.
- 8 Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.
- 9 Implementation of the national child safe principles is regularly reviewed and improved.
- 10 Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.

Practical resources and examples to implement the National Principles are available online.
www.communities.wa.gov.au/childsafegorgs



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Reminder: Volunteer Police Clearances (VNPC)

VNPC's are due for renewal every three years. When completing the CrimCheck application form please remember that we require at least 3 pieces of ID.

The concise list of ID is on page 2 of the CrimCheck application form. Any questions please contact Safe Ministry.

Did You Know? We now have Refresher Training for Safe Ministry.

The online Safe Ministry Training needs to be renewed every three (3) years. If you are due to renew your training, you can now complete the Refresher Training.

Training links are available from the Safe Ministry Team. You will also receive a reminder email with the training links when your training is due.



Thank you to those parishes who continue to meet all Safe Ministry requirements and please do not hesitate to reach out to our team for any guidance or assistance

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