

When someone hurts you.....

- tell someone
- know it is not your fault
- say no



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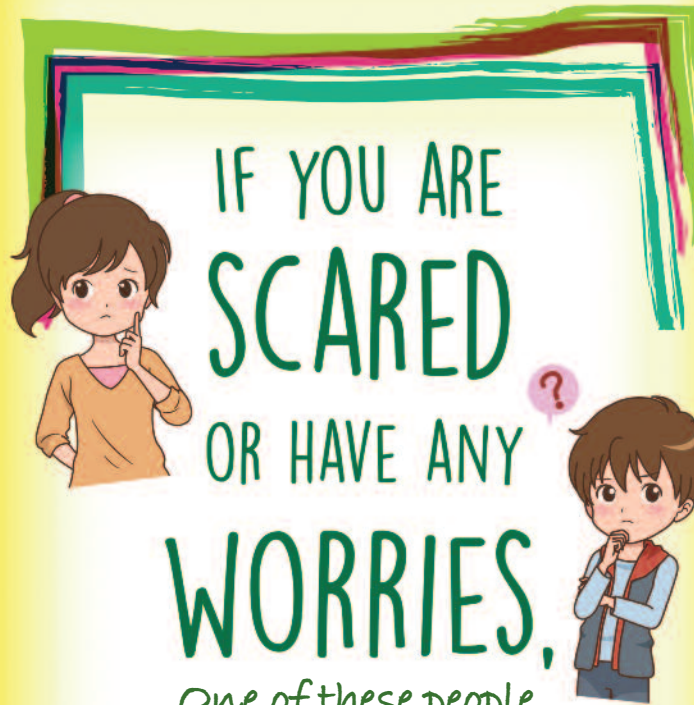
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PARENTS

TEACHERS

ADULTS YOU TRUST

GRANDPARENTS

BROTHERS SISTERS

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Information and Guidance for Children/Parents



Western Province



Thank You

We are happy and thankful to you for choosing to become involved in your Parish. To help you do your job as well as you can, you should:

- Respect God's house and all church property.
- Be nice to others and treat everyone with kindness because we are all God's children.
- Agree not to hurt anybody by what you say or do.
- Agree to follow the rules of your group.
- Arrive at the agreed time.
- Talk to the person in charge if you have a problem; don't keep it to yourself.
- Please don't use your phone while in church or during church activities.
- Make your own arrangements with your Parents/Guardians to get to and from the Church safely.
- Let someone know if you can't attend.
- Sign the register each time you attend.

If you have any worries about your role, please speak to your Parents/Guardians who will contact the Priest/Co-ordinator to discuss the matter.

God bless you
in your new role.

Child Safeguarding Policy Statement of the Western Province

The Gospel teaches the importance of ensuring that the Catholic Church community is a warm, welcoming and safe place for children.

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it. (Mark 10:14-15)

Children are gifts from God, to be cherished and recognised for the joyful contribution they make as valued members of the Church. Our challenge is to follow the example of Jesus in cherishing them. Safeguarding is key to this important task and should be seen, not as a burden, but as an opportunity to embrace and encourage children's ministry, following the example of Jesus Christ. This Church body pledges to safeguard children and young people from harm and to support them in their development as valued and integral members of the Catholic Church in Ireland. The Church's ministry will be inclusive and will uphold their rights. Consistent with Gospel values, and with civil and criminal law, those who minister will do so with dignity and integrity, honouring their calling to ensure that children and young people are welcomed, cherished and protected, following the example set by Jesus. This Safeguarding Children Policy will be honoured and complied with by all ordained clerics, by vowed female and male religious, and by all lay staff and volunteers in the Catholic Church in Ireland.



CHILDREN'S PRAYER

God in Heaven
Hear my prayer.
Keep me in
Thy loving care.
Be my guide
in all I do.
Bless all those
who love me too.

