



Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide

Commitment Statement

Safeguarding Our Children and Young People

“ Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’ Matthew 19:14 ”

Created in the image of God, all children and young people are most precious and sacred, with voices that must be heard, respected, and valued. Accordingly, we, in the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of our children and young people.

We support the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child as the foundation for child protection and believe that all children and young people have the right to be safe, happy, and healthy. We are committed to being an inclusive, culturally diverse, and resilient Church where the children of God can flourish.

Our Church strives to enable and empower children and young people to be part of the Kingdom of God as a safe and secure home. We are committed to a shared responsibility for a culture of safety and have a zero tolerance to any form of abuse or harm. This commitment is underpinned by robust, responsive, and effective policies and procedures.

Approved By: 
Archbishop of Adelaide

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