The Catholic Parish of Sacred Heart and St Columba

Our Parish is a Christian community which welcomes all to walk together in a spirit of compassion, justice and hope.
Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Safeguarding Report for 6 June PLDT meeting

Archdiocese Safeguarding Unit

The Archdiocese has released the Safeguarding Self-Assessment Tool (v2). It has been designed to assist parishes, agencies or entities within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne to self–assess and monitor their safeguarding efforts in relation to the requirements of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Safeguarding Children and Young People Framework.

Version 2.0 of the Safeguarding Self-Assessment Tool:

- contains simplified language and is reduced in size (48 indicators compared to the previous 111)
- has each of the Standards grouped using the four capability areas from Edition 2 of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS)
- uses a rating scale that has been adopted from Edition 2 of the NCSS
- includes a guidance document with implementation hints that provides instruction and information on how to complete the tool
- is available in a choice of two format design options (explained below)
- can be completed as a PDF form (on-screen) with interactive checkboxes or in A3-format (print).

The Parish Safeguarding Committee will commence work on the new Self-Assessment Tool.

Leadership, monitoring & improvement
STANDARDS 1, 9

Engaging with children, adults, families and communities
STANDARDS 2, 3, 4

Right people, right role, right knowledge
STANDARDS 5, 7

Systems, policies and procedures
STANDARDS 6, 8, 10

We respectfully acknowledge the Yaluk-ut Weelam clan of the Boonwurrung Nation who are the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land.

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