

The Perth Catholic Archdiocese Safeguarding Project is child focused and informed by a fundamental belief that children have the right to physical and psychological safety at all times.

All children have the right to feel safe all of the time, but unfortunately national child abuse statistics tell a very different story. Over the past two decades there are been increased awareness over children's personal safety and in particular with reference to child sexual abuse. We now know that a child or young person is more likely to be harmed by someone that they know than by someone that they don't know. Whilst the Safeguarding Project is working hard throughout the Perth Catholic Archdiocese, we all must play our part to protect children and keep them safe. One way in which parents can assist in increasing their child's safety is by teaching them the Protective Behaviours Program and as such we strongly recommend all parents attend this workshop. The workshop has been designed to teach parents and carers how to increase the personal safety of their children. Whilst there are many ways of talking to children about their personal safety, it is important that we do not scare them or leave them feeling unsafe, afraid or disempowered. Protective Behaviours provides children with strategies to keep themselves safe and cope with situations that threaten their well being and personal safety. The program empowers the individual with the right to feel safe and sets out ways in which they can gain the appropriate help when they are not feeling safe.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORKSHOP

- 1. To provide parents and carers with a basic understanding of child sexual abuse and the risk factors associated with CSA.
- **2.** To provide specific personal safety education strategies and knowledge designed to reduce the risks of CSA occurring to your children.
- **3.** To lesson your anxiety about your children's safety, so you can allow them the freedom of movement they need as they navigate their way through the world they live in.

Parish	Time	Address	Date
Our Lady Help of Christians Parish	10 am – 1pm	Camberwell Street, East Victoria Park	Wednesday November 9 2016

	This workshop has been provided complimentary free of charge				
 *	This workshop is an adult training session and is not suitable for Children to attend, thank you for your co-operation.	RSVP Monday November 7 2016			
Ø	To Register: Complete and return the attached registration form to the Parish Safeguarding Officers.				



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Registration Form

Your Name	
Your Parish	
Email	
Contact Number	

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