

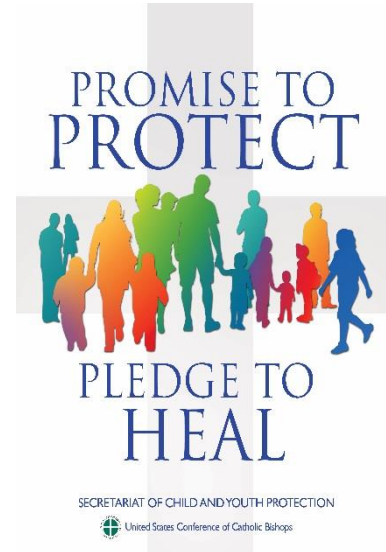
**St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church**  
**Safeguard the Children**  
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OUR MINISTRIES> Safeguard the Children

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church Mission Statement: To create a safe environment for our parish children and vulnerable adults. To educate and heighten awareness of all those involved with children in our parish by communicating God’s truth. To ensure that all persons put in positions of trust at our parish share our commitment to youth protection.

At St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church and Kolbe’s Korner Preschool we strive to keep our parish and preschool children safe and protected. We subscribe to and implement VIRTUS® programs as developed by the Archdiocese of LA, which provides our parish employees and volunteers with the training and tools necessary to provide education and awareness for prevention of sexual abuse.



**St. Max VIRTUS Training Schedule**

Keeping the Promise Alive    Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:30pm Room 2  
Protecting God’s Children    Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-Noon Room 2  
2018 Fall Fingerprinting Session & Classes Pending

Archdiocesan Fingerprinting Calendar>link

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/hr/Pages/fingerprinting.aspx>

Reference the Archdiocesan Fingerprinting monthly calendar section for fingerprinting sessions that may be available near our parish should you need to get fingerprinted prior to a session being held at St. Max.

Article 12 of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People > link

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/upload/charter-for-the-protection-of-children-and-young-people-revised-2011.pdf>) outlines that Dioceses need to

maintain “Safe Environment” Programs. It is through education and programs conducted cooperatively with various groups and organizations in the parish and community that standards of conduct for clergy and other persons in positions of trust with regard to children, young people and vulnerable adults will be developed and communicated.

What are the VIRTUS® programs? > link

[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/virtus\\_description.cfm](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/virtus_description.cfm)

Education: Protecting God's Children for Adults > link

[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/preview\\_pgc.cfm](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/preview_pgc.cfm)

Education and Training > link

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Pages/education.aspx>

Teaching Touching Safety > link

[http://www.laarchdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Documents/Teaching\\_Touching\\_Safety.pdf](http://www.laarchdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Documents/Teaching_Touching_Safety.pdf)

VIRTUS® Upcoming Sessions > link

[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list.cfm?theme=0](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list.cfm?theme=0)

Victims Assistance Ministries > link

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/vam/Pages/default.aspx>

Reporting Child Abuse > link

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/vam/Pages/forms.aspx>

STOP!T: A simple, fast and powerful solution to report inappropriate behaviors. > link

[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/stopit\\_partnership.cfm](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/stopit_partnership.cfm)

VIRTUS ONLINE ARTICLES

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>

Guidelines for Adults Interacting with Minors at Parish or Parish School Activities or Events > link

[http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Documents/2.0%20ADULTS\\_INTERACTING\\_WITH\\_MINORS\\_Guidelines\\_2-15.pdf](http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Documents/2.0%20ADULTS_INTERACTING_WITH_MINORS_Guidelines_2-15.pdf)

Each program year (July-June), adults interacting with minors at Parish/School Activities or Events need to review and sign the Archdiocesan Annual guidelines. The Acknowledgement of Receipt portion of the document will be kept on file in the parish office with all VIRTUS training certification information.

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Boundary Guidelines and Code of Conduct for Middle and High school Youth Working or Volunteering with Children or Youth> link

[http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/Handbook%20Resources/boundary\\_guidelines\\_and\\_code\\_of\\_conduct\\_for\\_middle\\_and\\_high\\_school\\_youth\\_working\\_or\\_volunteering\\_with\\_children\\_or\\_youth.pdf](http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/Handbook%20Resources/boundary_guidelines_and_code_of_conduct_for_middle_and_high_school_youth_working_or_volunteering_with_children_or_youth.pdf)

This document is signed by Middle and High School Youth Working or Volunteering with Children or Youth in any parish activity during the program year. Signatures are required by the student volunteer, their parent or guardian and the parish leader interacting with these youth.

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Recertification Policy>link

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Documents/2017%20ADLA%20VIRTUS%20Recertification%20Policy.pdf>