

Updates and Clarifications to the Safe Church Policy

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- While we are happy to provide links and information as we are able, we strongly recommend that all parishes do their own due diligence in researching and reviewing the laws in their state to be the best stewards and caregivers of the children and vulnerable adults in their congregation.
- All existing volunteers and employees need to have an application and all required background materials on file with their parish. References do not need to be checked for existing volunteers/employees, only for those who apply after the policy is active.
- We hope to be able to provide a video or other materials to assist with training on the Safety Policy at a future date. Unfortunately, at this time, this is not possible. Current training should include a full read through by all volunteers and employees, a review of the policy and any questions, and a signature to confirm that the policy has been read, reviewed, and agreed to. The form to sign off on this can be found [here](#).
- Clarification has been added to “Events with Children, Youth, or Vulnerable Adults”, Section F, Number 3 on page 26. It is strongly recommended that you verify with your insurance broker regarding your policy coverage and requirements before transporting children or vulnerable adults.
- Clarification has been made to “Responses”, Section F, Number 2b on page 31.
- Clarification has been added to “Policy Creation and Maintenance”, Section B on page 32. The four (4) procedures which are required by this policy are contained within the policy itself.