



# *St. Bernadette's Parish*

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## **St Bernadette's Safeguarding Requirements**

*"The emotional, physical and spiritual safety, well-being and dignity of children is an integral part of the teachings and values of the Catholic Church. The Archdiocese of Sydney is wholly committed to ensuring the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, and acknowledges its important legal, moral and spiritual responsibility to create a safe and nurturing environment for those children." - <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/royal-commission/#commitmentstatement>*

**All volunteers and staff (paid or unpaid) in Sydney Archdiocese parishes, including St Bernadette's, must comply with the following safeguarding requirements:**

1. **Working with Children Check (WWCC):**
  - Must be renewed every 5 years.
  - Submit your WWCC and date of birth to the St Bernadette's Safeguarding Officer.
2. **Volunteer Registration-Acceptance Form:**
  - Complete and submit the form.
  - Update it as needed to reflect role changes.
3. **Code of Conduct for Working with Children:**
  - Read and sign the document.
  - Submit the signed copy. You may keep a copy for your reference
4. **Safeguarding Induction Training (Online):**
  - Complete the Archdiocesan training.
  - Submit your training certificate.

### **Important:**

- All required documents must be submitted to [safeguarding@stbernadettescarlton.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@stbernadettescarlton.org.au) before starting or continuing volunteer work.
- Forms are available for download on the parish website
- For questions or to request forms, email: [safeguarding@stbernadettescarlton.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@stbernadettescarlton.org.au)

***Safeguarding***– child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to police.