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STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of all people, especially children and vulnerable adults, as our central and fundamental responsibility. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teachings and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel.

We are committed to ensuring that our Parish community promote the inherent dignity of every individual and their fundamental right to be respected and nurtured in a safe Parish environment.

We are committed to create a nurturing Parish environment where all are respected and the voices of children and vulnerable adults, particularly, are heard, where they are safe and feel safe.

When allegations of abuse concerning children or vulnerable adults are raised, we will take prompt action to have these appropriately referred and investigated. We are committed to strive for continual improvement that is responsive to emerging thinking, evidence and practice, so as to eliminate the possibility of abuse occurring.