

SAFEGUARDING NEWS



JANUARY 2025

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The Safeguarding office was established in May 2017 for the purpose of supporting, strengthening and embedding a safeguarding culture. Raising awareness regarding our collective responsibility to protect the safety, well being and dignity of all within our Diocese.

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From the Safeguarding Team

January Reset;

For the month of January we encourage you to have a reset of your resources, posters, and displays. If any of these are looking tired or scrunched, faded, dusty or torn please replace.

If you have not changed any posters or they are out dated or from an awareness day that was some time ago, please take down and refresh.

Please ensure you have Bishops Commitment Statement dated April 2024 on display.

Please contact our office if you need any resources as we have a number of these ready to be sent out.



Julie Patston
Safeguarding Manager



Christine Thompson
Education and
Compliance Officer

Watch this space **NEW**
Safeguarding Officer
to join our team in, ...



FREE Upcoming Training - All Welcome



Office of the
Children's Guardian

St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish Ballina

Wednesday 5th February 2025

9.30am to 11am

Reporting Obligations and Processes:



11.30am to 1pm

Empowerment and Participation:



Tea, Coffee and a Light Lunch will be provided.

Please contact Christine if you need assistance in registering.

Julie and

Christine.

Awareness Days -

February

- 1-7: World Interfaith Harmony
- 11: Safer Internet Day
- eSafety Commissioner
- 11: World Day of the Sick
- 16: World Care Day
- 17: Random Acts of Kindness Day
- 20: World Day of Social Justice

March

- 1: Zero Discrimination Day
- 3: World Hearing Awareness Day
- 7: World Day of Prayer
- 8: International Women's Day
- 15-21 : Harmony Week
- 21: Harmony Day



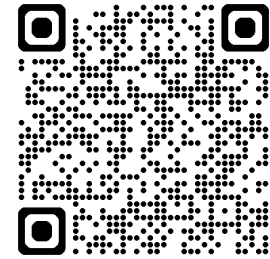
"We all have the duty to do good"

- Pope Francis



NDIS Code of Conduct

— VIDEO animation explainer



e Safety—online



Keeping your family safe from tech-based coercive control



Embedding Safeguarding in our Diocese:

Southern Deanery Tour; The last week of November, was a busy but productive week for the Safeguarding Office and for the 4 most southern parishes of our Diocese. Macleay Valley, Wauchope, Port Macquarie and Camden Haven, all completed their 2024 Self Assessment's in compliance with the National Catholic Safeguarding Limited Standards at the recent visits.

What a beautiful part of our Diocese you live in.

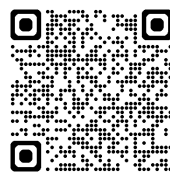
Thank you for welcoming me so warmly and keep up all of the wonderful safeguarding measures you have in place.

Safeguarding Checklist and Self Assessment and Continuous Improvement; Annual checklists and Safeguarding Self-Assessment reviews for Parishes are all currently in progress, please contact Christine if you need support for the Checklist and to arrange your Parish Assessment visit. cthompson@lismore.catholic.org.au

The Safeguarding Office would like to say thank you for ensuring your Parish and our Diocese Culture towards Safeguarding is a positive approach for the protection and safety for all.
The Safeguarding Team

Diocese of Lismore : Safeguarding Office

Scan the QR code to access the Diocese Webpage and the Safeguarding Office.



The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns, We will listen to you respectfully and offer support.

Contact the Safeguarding Office
Phone: (02) 6621 9444 or Email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au