

# PROMISE TO PROTECT



# PLEDGE TO HEAL

BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

## Reporting Child Abuse

**If abuse is within the home or by a licensed Daycare staff:**

- ▶ **LA Dept. of Children and Family Services, 1-855-452-5437**

**If abuse is outside of the home::**

- ▶ **Local City or Sheriff's Department**

**If the accused is a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, seminarian, employee or volunteer of a Diocesan Office, Catholic school, or Church parish in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, call the Outreach Line (985) 873-0026 or the Victims' Assistance Coordinator, Sister Carmelita, after it has been reported to the local police or Sheriff's Department.**

- ▶ **Victims' Assistance Coordinator at (985) 873-0026 or (985) 850-3172**

**DO NOT contact the child's family if the child fears going home or you feel there is clear and imminent danger, contact law enforcement.**

**WE ARE HERE TO HELP:** In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux , The Outreach Line is an effort to continue the diocesan commitment to support healing for people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux.

