



Diocese of Baker

Child Protection Program for Children and Youth

Parent Opt-Out Form

To comply with the United States Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, the Diocese of Baker has implemented the *Circle of Grace* programs for children and young people in all parishes and parish schools. All minors in these Catholic schools and in parish religious education or youth ministry activities are required to participate in these programs.

By signing this form, I acknowledge the above and elect NOT to have my child(ren) participate in the *Circle of Grace* child protection programs. I also acknowledge that I was offered the opportunity to review these programs for minors and to attend the *Circle of Grace* sessions for parents and families. I have received materials I can use at home to talk to my children about personal safety and agree to take responsibility for educating my child(ren) on the topics covered.

To assist us in understanding how we can best work with families in protecting our children, please consider providing the reason(s) for opt-out – thank you:

(Parent's/Guardian's signature and date)*

of Children being opted-out _____

(Parish/School Name/City)

Child(ren)'s grade level(s) _____

Pastor/Principal signature and date

*Opt-out will be in effect until June 30 following the date of the Parent/Guardian signature.

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