

"Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
"Permission Slip"
2021-2022

TO: Parent or Guardian

FROM: St. Lawrence Martyr – Office of Religious Education

SUBJECT: "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program

DATE: August 1, 2021

The Office of Safeguard the Children for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is once again providing the "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program to all schools, Religious Education Programs and Youth Ministry. The program focuses on empowering children and young people with the knowledge, understanding and tools they need to keep themselves safe from abuse.

Year 2: Boundaries & Bullying will be taught to our students during an online session. The lessons include the VIRTUS® Introductory Video "Empowering God's Children," a variety of classroom activities, a Parent/Child Take-Home activity, and a "Catechetical Connection" to the Catechism of the Catholic Church to magnify God's desire for the happiness, health and safety of all children and young people.

Also included is a lesson on Summer Safety to be presented to classes at the end of each school year to remind our students to put "Safety First."

If you would like additional information regarding "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program, or if you would like to review the materials/videos, please feel free to contact **Susan Mills at 310-316-4460 or susan.mills@stlm.org** or you may visit the Safeguard the Children website at www.archla.org/safeguard.

St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Church – Office of Religious Education

Parent Permission Slip for the *Safety* Program

I understand that this form must be completed and returned by **September 30, 2021** for my child to participate in the "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program class lesson. My signature below is authorization of my permission for my child's participation.

Child's Name (printed): _____

Parent's Name (printed): _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____