

Form 107

VIRTUS Parental Testament Form

The Catholic Diocese of Spokane is committed to the on-going safety of our children. Studies show that children who participate in child abuse prevention lessons better recognize how to keep themselves safe.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops requires all parishes and schools to annually teach children/youth in grades K-12 a child sexual abuse prevention lesson. Due to COVID-19, in-classroom teaching has become a serious challenge for many parishes/schools. Therefore, we are sending an age appropriate lesson regarding child sexual abuse prevention to each family for each child/youth, and requesting that the lesson be taught in the home. This process also provides an opportunity for parents/guardians to have a conversation with their child regarding this very serious issue. Once the lesson has been taught, please complete the bottom portion of this form for each child in grades K-12 and return it/them to your parish or Catholic school.

I, _____, affirm that I have received an
(Print Parent/Guardian Name)

Empowering God’s Children Lesson from _____
(Print Name of Parish/School)

and that I have taught this lesson at home to my child _____.
(Print Child’s Name)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

Please return this form to your parish/school secretary as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance during these challenging days.