

Українська Католицька Єпархія св. Свщм. Йосафата у Пармі UKRAINIAN GATHOLIG ЄРАВСНУ ОГ SAINT JOSAPHAT IN PARMA

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To Priests, Religious and Faithful of the Eparchy of St. Josaphat:

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma, in order to standardize Safe Environment training program in compliance with the revised Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, the revised *Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies*Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons, selects VIRTUS online training program as universally accepted in the Eparchy effective July 1, 2016.

VIRTUS is the brand name that identifies best practices programs designed to help prevent wrongdoing and promote "rightdoing" within religious organizations. The VIRTUS programs empower organizations and people to better control risk and improve the lives of all those who interact with the Church.

For VIRTUS online training please follow this link https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/

In order to continue strengthen the educational program for all clergy and religious, staff, and volunteers for maintaining appropriate boundaries in ministry and eparchial service and on the issue of sexual abuse of minors, the VIRTUS program training is mandatory for all new clergy and religious, staff, and volunteers.

Thank you for your efforts that you are taking to protect the children and young people in our Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma.

Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend Bohdan J Danylo

Bishop of Saint Josaphat

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