

# CODE OF CONDUCT

All church personnel must agree to conduct their ministry according to nine standards of behavior. These nine standards are listed in the Diocesan Code of Conduct which must be signed by all church personnel prior to assuming their ministry. The parish, school or administrative office(s) keeps signed, dated Codes of Conduct on file for each person in ministry.



## Diocese of Corpus Christi Code of Conduct

- Church personnel will exhibit the highest Christian ethical standards and personal integrity.
  - Church personnel will conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the discipline and teachings of the Catholic Church.
  - Church personnel shall provide a professional work environment that is free from physical, psychological, written, or verbal intimidation or harassment.
  - Church personnel will avoid taking unfair advantage of a counseling relationship for their own benefit.
  - Church personnel will not physically, sexually or emotionally abuse or neglect any individual.
  - Church personnel will share concerns about suspicious or inappropriate behavior with their immediate supervisor and/or the Office for Child and Youth Protection.
  - Church personnel will report any suspected abuse or neglect of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, or another civil authority as required by law.
  - Church personnel will accept their personal responsibility to protect youth and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse.
  - Church personnel will observe practices of modesty, prudence and appropriateness in attire, language and demeanor.
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### Acknowledgement

I have attended a Safe Environment Training which explains the Safe Environment Policies and Expectations adopted by the Diocese of Corpus Christi. I understand the policies and voluntarily agree to abide by these policies and conduct myself in complete accordance with them.

Please Print

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parish, School or Other \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry and Diocesan Location you are working with \_\_\_\_\_