



St. Paul Church

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Re: 2017-2018 PSR

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As a Caring, Catholic community and as a part of our ongoing commitment to provide a safe and healthy environment for our children, the Archdiocesan Child Safety Committee has developed a school-based curriculum for grades K-8 that contains practical, helpful information to help children protect themselves from dangers that exist today.

Now that adults who work with our children have participated in the “Protecting God’s Children” program, the next step is to equip our students with the skills necessary for them to participate in their own personal, physical safety.

The objective of this curriculum, entitled “Safe Touch”, is to teach our children self-protection skills. Children will learn body safety rules in an age-appropriate and non-threatening manner. This curriculum will be presented by a trained instructor from the PSR Program. It will be covered during one class period during the Month of September.

The “Safe Touch” curriculum approaches safety issues in a respectful manner, connecting our Catholic values with information to keep our children safe. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns regarding this important piece of your child’s education.

The “Safe Touch” program will be presented to our PSR students **commencing Wednesday, September 13**. We know it will be helpful if you are able to reinforce the same safety messages your children hear in class.

We will also be presenting a “Chastity Program” entitled “God’s Own Making” that has been developed and published by the Archdiocese of St. Louis (or a replacement program as approved by the Archdiocese) and is a required element of our PSR Program.

If for whatever reason you prefer your child not hear these presentations during his/her PSR class, you have the option of opting him or her out from the program. We would then provide you with the materials to discuss these important issues with your child at home.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns or **if you do not want your child to participate in these classes.**

God Bless!

Deacon Bob