

INFORMED CONSENT

You have the right to discuss anything you wish or to refuse to discuss anything you do not want to discuss with an Employee of the Diocese of Owensboro or one of its parishes or institutions.

The information provided by you during discussions will be kept confidential except as required by law. All incidents of child abuse must be reported to the proper authorities following the guidelines set forth in KRS 620.030. As required by the Sexual Abuse Policy of the Diocese of Owensboro, even if the law does not require the reporting of an allegation, a report will be made to insure the protection of others.

In addition, a report will be made to the Bishop and the Diocesan Review Board of the Diocese of Owensboro, which deals with sexual abuse. All members of the Board are required to maintain strict confidentiality. The Board's records are kept in locked files maintained by the Bishop of the Diocese of Owensboro.

The diocese supports your right to report your claim directly to a local law enforcement agency. The diocese will cooperate fully in any investigation which you initiate.

I have been informed and understand my rights to discuss issues of sexual abuse with an Employee of the Diocese of Owensboro or one of its parishes or institutions.

Signature

Date

Employee's Signature

Date

If taken over the phone, please read this to the person and sign this noting that it was read over the phone.

***Keep original in Diocesan Policy Manual.