



## **THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

The Archdiocese of Miami, along with the 194 dioceses of the United States Catholic Conference, is committed to providing safe environments for those who need protection the most, our children and our vulnerable adults. Under the direction of Archbishop Wenski, we are keeping that promise.

All clergy, religious, employees and adult volunteers (e.g., liturgical ministers, youth group leaders, etc.) in the parishes, schools and other entities of the Archdiocese of Miami must fulfill the following safe environment requirements:

- 1) Successfully pass a national criminal background screening.
- 2) Participate in the “Virtus” training program, which is provided at many locations throughout the Archdiocese of Miami.
- 3) Sign a Code of Conduct.

There is no cost to the individual for any of these requirements.

These steps are tangible signs of the Archdiocese of Miami’s continuing efforts to ensure a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults in our parishes, schools and other facilities. This work by all the Roman Catholic dioceses of our country represents the largest child sexual abuse prevention effort in the history of the United States.

For more details, please visit [www.miamiarch.org](http://www.miamiarch.org) and click “Protecting God’s Children.”