

Safeguarding NEWSLETTER

Diocesan Safeguarding News and Updates

July 2026

KEY DATES THIS MONTH

NAIDOC Week

5th – 12th July



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday



5th July

Safe Ministry Workshops

5 August 2026 in South Tamworth

9 August 2026 in East Tamworth

16 August 2026 in West Tamworth

20 and 22 August 2026 in
Armidale

23 August 2026 in Uralla

26 and 27 August 2026 online
(zoom)

30 August 2026 in Manilla and
Barabba



Sign the Code of Conduct online (no printing or log in!)

Go to the link below to sign and it will email you and the
safeguarding office a record:

<https://armidale.catholic.org.au/code-of-conduct>

Online Safe Ministry Workshops

Option 1: Wednesday 26 August, 6-7 pm

Option 2: Thursday 27 August, 10-11 am

Is your Parish Safeguarding aware?

Is the Commitment Statement publicly displayed?

Are Safeguarding posters visible and documents
accessible?

Do you have the Safeguarding Contact Person contact
information in the Church or bulletin?



For all your safeguarding needs, resources or questions
check out the website:

<https://armidale.catholic.org.au/safeguarding>



“...building a world in which everyone can flourish
requires shared responsibility and courage.”

Pope Leo XIV



Altar Servers

**Do you have a register for Altar Servers
in the parish?**

Do your Altar Servers know?

- ☐ There are separate vesting areas for Altar Servers who are under 18 years and Altar Servers aged 18 years and older
- ☐ Altar Servers under 18 years old are NOT to be alone in the sacristy with the Priest or any other adult
- ☐ There is an Altar Server Register that they need to sign every time they altar serve
- ☐ Altar Servers aged 18 years and above need to sign a Code of Conduct and also have a Working With Children Check if they may be serving with Altar Servers aged under 18 years of age



Extraordinary ministers and home visitations

**Do you have a register for Extraordinary
ministers taking Holy Communion to the
sick?**

**Do you have a register for parish
volunteers visiting parishioners in their
home or nursing home?**



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

As we begin preparing for the audit and updating our safeguarding,
we would really appreciate your *feedback* at: safeguarding@armidale.catholic.org.au