The Parish of Conwal and Leck values and encourages the participation of children and young people in church activities and is committed to their protection, support and development.

In keeping with this we in the Parish undertake to do all in our power to create safe environments for children and young people so as to ensure their protection from abuse.

To view the Safeguarding Children Policy and Procedures of the Diocese, please log onto: www.raphoediocese.ie or visit our Parish website: steunanscathedral.ie

OR

Contact the Safeguarding Children’s Office,
Diocesan Pastoral Centre,
Cathedral Square,
Letterkenny,
Co. Donegal.

Telephone: 074 9125669
Email: cporaphoediocese@eircom.net
**Code of Conduct for Children and Young People**

In order that young people will enjoy, benefit from and feel safe while participating in church activities they will:

- Respect others. Be kind to each other and treat each other with respect regardless of race, cultural background or religion.
- Respect yourself. Be mannerly. Take care of your own safety. Always do your best in any activity and always choose to do ‘the right thing’. Do not use cigarettes, alcohol or drugs.
- Never bully, exclude anyone or engage in name calling against others. Remember that other people have feelings too so do not hurt them. Never use violence against another person. Do not use foul or abusive language.
- Follow the instructions and direction of the group leader.
- Arrive on time and depart at the appropriate time from Church activity.
- Take care of one’s own property and respect the property of others. Do not take things without asking. Take care of equipment and building. Put litter in the bins.
- Report any behaviour that makes you feel uncomfortable to the leader of your group.
- Actively engage in the activity and contribute to the best of your ability in an age appropriate manner.
- Do not have in your possession any substance or materials that may pose harm to any member of the group, the group leader or the property in which the activity is held.
- Do not take audio or visual recording of anyone present at the Church activity.
- Keep mobile phones on silent or switched off during Church activities.

**Information for Parents**

If you have a concern regarding the safety and well being of your child while he/she is involved in a Church activity, please contact one of the following:

Leader of Activity: ____________________________

Parish Administrator: Fr. Kevin Gillespie

If you have a concern about child abuse, please contact one of the following Diocesan Designated Persons:

Name: Kathleen Gallagher  Phone: 086-2183011
Name: Paddy McDaid  Phone: 086-2183022

You can also contact Tusla or An Garda Siochana

Tusla - Child and Family Agency:
- Letterkenny 074 9123672 / 074 9123770
- Donegal Town 074 9723540
- Buncrana 074 9320420

National Bureau of Criminal Investigations:
- Telephone: 01 6663436

In an EMERGENCY contact:

Letterkenny Garda Station: 074 91 67100

Child’s Signature: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________