

Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces

Most Rev. Oscar Cantú
Bishop

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Dear Friends,

May God's blessing be with you. With this letter I am pleased to promulgate and give my whole hearted support to the continued implementation of the diocesan safe environment programs:


- VIRTUS® *Protecting God's Children* training program for clergy as well as diocesan, parish and Catholic school employees, volunteers who have regular contact with children, and parents.
- Archdiocese of Omaha© *Circle of Grace* training program for children in Kindergarten through 12th grade enrolled in parish religious education programs and Catholic schools.

In addition, the diocesan Safe Environment Procedures remain in effect.

For information about the Safe Environment programs, contact Margarita Williams, Safe Environment Coordinator, at mwilliams@rcdlc.org or (575)523-7577.

The creation of safe environments for children, youth and vulnerable adults of the diocese is a responsibility I take very seriously. I wish to thank all of our clergy and lay faithful for the work and diligence already given to this important matter. I commend, in particular, all of the VIRTUS facilitators and local safe environment coordinators who have aided so many by their generous service.

May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Oscar Cantú
Bishop of Las Cruces