



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA DIOCESE OF GIPPSLAND

SAFE MINISTRY POLICY STATEMENT

The Anglican Church of Australia is committed to the physical, emotional and spiritual welfare and safety of all people, particularly within its own community.

The Church will:

- carefully recruit and train its clergy and church workers;
- adopt and encourage safe ministry practices by its clergy and lay church workers;
- respond promptly to each concern raised about the behaviour of its clergy and lay church workers;
- offer pastoral support to any person who has suffered abuse;
- provide pastoral support to and supervision of any person who has been accused of abuse; and
- provide pastoral support to and supervision of any person known to have abused a child or another vulnerable person.

Our parish is committed to ensuring our centres of worship and outreach are safe places for all, especially children and vulnerable people. We have a duty of care to protect all who participate in the life of the church from abuse. We have zero tolerance for abuse of any kind.

Resolution of General Synod 2004
Endorsed and adopted by the Chapter of
St Paul's Cathedral, 11th May 2023

Keren C Terpstra, Dean