

Sample Bulletin Announcements for PGC Awareness Session

Protecting God's Children educates and trains adults (clergy, religious, teachers, staff, volunteers and parents) about the dangers of child sexual abuse, the warning signs of abuse, the ways to prevent abuse, the methods of properly reporting suspicions of abuse, and responding to allegations of abuse. Participation at a PGC Awareness Session is required for any Church employee and any adult who has regular contact and involvement with minors in a church setting. A PGC Awareness Session will be offered in our parish on _____ at _____. For more information contact _____ ,

The **Protecting God's Children** Program trains adults on how to protect all children. The training makes participants aware of the signs of child sexual abuse, the methods and means by which offenders commit abuse, and five easy steps one can take to prevent child sexual abuse. Two videos are the centerpiece of the training: *A Time to Protect God's Children* and *A Plan to Protect God's Children*. The training incorporates our diocese's policies and procedures. Participation at a PGC Awareness Session is required for any Church employee and any adult who has regular contact and involvement with minors in a church setting. A PGC Awareness Session will be offered in our parish on _____ at _____. For more information contact _____ .

To keep our children safe and protected we begin by making adults of the Church that interact with children aware of how to protect children. Our **Protecting God's Children** program for adults is a three-hour awareness session that instructs adults that to protect children you must have continuous awareness and vigilance. This awareness session makes trainees understand the signs of child sexual abuse, the methods and means by which offenders commit abuse and five empowerment steps one can use to prevent child sexual abuse. A PGC Awareness Session will be offered in our parish on _____ at _____. For more information contact _____ .

Child sexual abuse is a worldwide public health issue. Child abuse, particularly child sexual abuse, is reprehensible—especially when the wrongdoer is affiliated with the Church. The Church desires and strives to be a safe place for children and a messenger for preventing child sexual abuse within the Church and society in general. A primary way in which we seek to achieve this lofty goal is through the **Protecting God's Children** program. A PGC Awareness Session will be offered in our parish on _____ at _____. For more information contact _____ .

Every adult Catholic has an opportunity to take part in an education forum designed to raise aware of child sexual abuse. These sessions provide valuable information about creating child-safe environments. Participants learn the warning signs of abuse, strategies for handling suspicions of abuse, and ways to respond to abuse. These sessions are designed for any adult member of the parish. Participation at a PGC Awareness Session is required for any Church employee and any adult who has regular contact and involvement with minors in a church setting. A PGC Awareness Session will be offered in our parish on _____ at _____. For more information contact _____.