

## **HOW TO MAKE A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE**

Child sexual abuse is a crime in the State of New Hampshire and the Church. New Hampshire law requires that anyone who has reason to suspect that a child is being or has been abused or neglected must make a report to the **Division for Children, Youth & Families (“DCYF”) of the State of New Hampshire**, 1-800-894-5533. Any person who suspects or alleges child abuse on the part of a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of a parish, school, or institution of the diocese of Manchester is also encouraged to make a report to the **Office for Ministerial Conduct**, 603-669-3100.

Church personnel – clergy, paid employees, and volunteers – have additional reporting requirements if they believe that Church personnel have sexually abused a child. To learn more about the reporting requirements, see [\_\_\_\_\_], the safe environment coordinator for our parish, or the diocesan website under Child Safety: [www.catholicnh.org](http://www.catholicnh.org).

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