



SAFEGUARDING NEWS

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh



FULL TEAM!

New employee Elaine completes our safeguarding department



Emma Boothroyd

Emma has been the DSA (Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor) since May 2020 and prior to that was the safeguarding officer. She has over 30 years of safeguarding experience from statutory social work services where she was a manager and team leader of Mental Health and Learning disability services. She was also actively involved in Adult Protection work. Emma's principal role and duties are to deal with any safeguarding complaints, concerns or allegations that arise within the Archdiocese. Emma also leads on the strategy and development of safeguarding in the Archdiocese.



Mgr Allan Chambers

Monsignor Chambers is the Vicar General for Safeguarding. He is a member of the ASAG (Archdiocesan Safeguarding Advisory Group) and the DRAMT (Diocesan Risk Assessment Team). He works closely with Emma in relation to any complaints/allegations. Mgr Chambers has been a priest of the Archdiocese for forty-one years and has served in Edinburgh, Midlothian, and West Lothian. He has always been interested in child protection work and was a member of West Lothian Children's Panel for eleven years. In addition, he was a prison chaplain with the Scottish Prison Service for sixteen years working in HMP Shotts and HMP Edinburgh.



Elaine Anderson

Elaine has recently joined the Safeguarding Team as the Safeguarding Officer. She brings a background of safeguarding through her previous volunteer management and charity sector roles. Elaine previously worked with Alzheimer's Scotland, supporting families coping with dementia, and was an outreach worker for children living with Cystic Fibrosis. Elaine's principal duties are in respect of liaison, support, and advice to the Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators (PSCs). She will also be involved in Safeguarding Training across the Archdiocese, both Induction Part 1 and 2, PSC training and other training.



Margaret McLuskey

Margaret has been the Safeguarding Administrator since 2019 and brings a wealth of experience with her, having served in previous administrative roles and as a Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator in her own parish, thus, seeing first-hand the challenges of the PSC role. Her principal duties are to maintain the volunteer safeguarding database and ensure accuracy of records. Margaret deals with all the PVG and Regulated Volunteer applications. Margaret is in regular contact with PSCs and parish priests to ensure that volunteers have the correct training and documentation to allow them to practice in the role in their church.

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Register now for the National safeguarding webinar



Bishops' Conference of Scotland

NATIONAL SAFEGUARDING WEBINAR

This webinar will be open to all who play a part in the Church's Safeguarding efforts in parishes, dioceses and religious communities.

Registration details to follow

Saturday 2nd October 2021 11am to 1pm

The National Safeguarding Webinar is scheduled for **Saturday 2nd October** from 11am to 1pm. The theme is 'Growing Our Culture of Care' and clergy, religious, employees and volunteers are welcome to take part. A spokesperson for the Bishops' Conference of Scotland

"We are hoping to use this opportunity to convey some key messages about IN GOD'S IMAGE v2 and to encourage everyone to reflect upon its implications for their own safeguarding roles in the Church."

Register for this event at bit.ly/3gQRdPu

Save the date: training event for our clergy



Boundaries: The Personal and the Pastoral is a safeguarding training event for clergy being arranged in conjunction with Sr Edith Mary Hart RSM, the Archdiocesan Clergy Welfare Co-ordinator. The seminar has a choice of two afternoon dates, **Thursday 7 Oct and Friday 8 Oct** and is planned to take place at the Gillis Centre. Times and further details to follow soon.

The presentation will be led by Sr Marie Bernadette Steinmetz, RSM (right), a Clinical Psychologist and Psychotherapist, who has years of experience in the areas of education, psychology and theology. She is the Director of the Spiritual and Psychotherapeutic Guest-programme for priests and religious in the diocese of Mainz in Germany.



Next edition - Autumn

The next edition of **Safeguarding** will focus on how Safeguarding complaints and allegations are dealt with, the DRAMT etc. We aim to send this out to you all well in advance of your next Deanery meetings, which are tabled for the week of 15th November 2021. Don't forget, I'm always happy to join you at any of your Deanery meetings to give an update and answer any safeguarding questions.

Emma Boothroyd



Deserved: Angela receives the award from Archbishop Cushley.

ANGELA MADE A PAPAL DAME!

Former safeguarding advisor recognised for role in Archdiocese



Congratulations to Angela Hughes, who has been made a papal dame in recognition of the service and dedication she gave to the Archdiocese as our former safeguarding advisor.

Angela, a parishioner at St Michael's in Linlithgow, received the insignia of a Dame of St Gregory the Great from Archbishop Cushley at St Bennet's in Edinburgh recently.

She said: "It was a privilege to have served the Archdiocese in this role and I was surprised and delighted with the award."

Archbishop Cushley said: "I am pleased Angela has been recognised by the Holy See for her important role in assisting the Archdiocese in safeguarding and for helping ensure our churches are safe and welcoming."

Angela, a solicitor, worked in a voluntary capacity for the Archdiocese for several years, before retiring from the role in 2020.

YOUR SAFEGUARDING TEAM

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