

2017 Youth Rally and Mass for Life Youth Protection Compliance Affidavit and Waiver

Diocese: _____

Submit to: *Hosting Parish/School of the Archdiocese of Washington* _____

Address: _____

In consideration for allowing our (Arch)Diocese to receive temporary lodging at _____ Catholic Church ("Parish") in connection with the 2017 Youth Rally and Mass for Life, I _____, Youth Protection Compliance Officer for the (Arch)Diocese of _____ ("Diocese"), after conducting due diligence and being duly sworn, do certify and confirm that any and all adults as named on the attached sheet*, including but not limited to all clergy, youth ministry leaders, and chaperones ("Accompanying Adults") traveling to the 2017 Youth Rally and Mass for Life as part of our diocesan group have satisfied all of the requirements of the Diocese's youth protection policy adopted pursuant to the *USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth*, including but not limited to satisfactory background investigations. I swear that the foregoing facts are to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, a true, correct and complete statement.

At any time subsequent to the date of this affidavit, up to the date of and beyond the close of the 2017 Youth Rally and Mass for Life, if the Diocese gains any knowledge that any such Accompanying Adult traveling to the 2017 Youth Rally and Mass for Life is or has been the subject of accusations of sexual misconduct with a child or youth under the age of 18 or with a vulnerable individual, the Diocese shall immediately notify the Parish and the Archdiocese of Washington.

The Diocese assumes sole legal responsibility for, and agrees to hold harmless, indemnify, and defend the Parish and the Archdiocese of Washington, and their respective officials, employees, contractors, agents and volunteers from any claims, loss, or damage of any kind, and any and all expenses connected with such a claim, including attorney's fees, that may be asserted against the Parish and the Archdiocese of Washington that arise from or are related to the actions or omissions of the Diocese or any of its officials, employees, or volunteers, adult youth ministry leaders, chaperones, and persons traveling with our diocesan group. The Diocese will promptly notify the Parish and the Archdiocese of Washington of any claims. The Parish and the Archdiocese of Washington reserve the right to participate in the defense of any claim through their respective counsel at their respective expense.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

NOTARY (REQUIRED)

City/County of _____; State of _____

On this ____ day of _____, 2016/17, I, _____, a Notary Public of and for the state of _____ hereby certify that on this ____ day of _____, 2016/17, _____ before me personally appeared and being first duly sworn, signed this affidavit and waiver and affirmed that the information contained therein is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Notary Public: _____

My commission expires: _____

[Notary Seal]

This form must be NOTARIZED and returned to the Host Parish by January 16, 2017. Failure to provide this form in advance will result in the diocesan group being barred from admittance to said parish for overnight housing. The Group leader should also retain a copy for his/her records.

* An additional sheet must be included listing all Accompanying Adults who will receive temporary lodging from an Archdiocese of Washington parish.