

## **Protecting God's Children® Online Awareness Session 3.0**

The Protecting God's Children® for Adults training educates adults on how to become better protectors of children from child sexual abuse. About an hour and fifteen minutes in length, the program is a truncated version of the live training with video excerpts from the videos of A Time to Protect God's Children™ and A Plan to Protect God's Children™ surrounded by other important content. Viewers become aware of the context and issues surrounding child sexual abuse, the methods and means by which offenders offend and the ways in which abuse affects victims, their families, the parish and the community. Participants are also empowered with action items and five easy steps to prevent and best respond to child sexual abuse, addressing warning signs, controlling access, screening, employee and volunteer selection, victim advocacy and reporting. This program is also available in Spanish.

All employees and volunteers must complete the mandatory online second refresher training and submit a new background check as condition of continued ministry and/or continued employment in this Archdiocese.

This online training requirement must be completed within three (3) months from the 5-year KPA anniversary date. If you fail to complete the online training within the 3-month grace period, the VIRTUS system will automatically default your account and require you to attend another live "Protecting God's Children" workshop.

**The online training module will automatically be assigned to your account once your 5-year KPA anniversary date has passed.**

When you log into your VIRTUS account you will be prompted to do the following steps.

- 1. Update your contact information*
- 2. Complete a background check via Fastrax*
- 3. Begin the online training module*

If you fail to complete step 1 or 2 you will not be able to view the online training.

If you do not remember the user id and password, please send an email requesting login information to Parish Safe Environment Coordinators Ana Rodriguez at [anarodz@stmartha.com](mailto:anarodz@stmartha.com) or Michelle Campisi at [michellec@stmartha.com](mailto:michellec@stmartha.com).