

# Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Shreveport requires the faith formation programs to include lessons from the Teaching Safety program from the Virtus Online<sup>®</sup> Program. Lessons are created for students in kindergarten through high school. The program used is Virtus Online which is the same program used for adult training for **any volunteer** in the diocese.

The Virtus Online<sup>®</sup> Teaching Safety-Empowering God's Children program provides the tools our children need to protect themselves from those who might do them harm. It is the belief of our bishop we must use all the resources we have to ensure the safety of our children. This program provides training for the catechist or parent who will present the lessons. The lessons are age appropriate and presented in a manner that is easy to understand. Below is information from Virtus Online<sup>®</sup> regarding the program details. Feel free to contact the diocesan Faith Formation office with any questions or concerns.

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For more information, please click on the following links:

**[Overview of the Virtus<sup>®</sup> program](#)**

**[Teaching Boundaries and Safety Guide™ Guide for Caring Adults, Parents and Guardians](#)**