THE PARISH OF OUR MOST HOLY REDEEMER, CLERKENWELL

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION POSTER

VERY person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of humanity in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's recreation of us in Christ. Among other things, this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm. We commit ourselves to nurture, protect, and safeguard all members of our congregation, particularly children, young people and adults at risk.

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- ❖ We recognise that safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the selection, appointment, training and support of those working with children or adults at risk.
- ❖ We will respond without delay to concerns or allegations that a child or adult at risk may have been harmed, cooperating fully in any investigation.
- ❖ We will challenge any abuse of power by anyone in a position of trust.
- ❖ We will seek to offer pastoral care to anyone who has suffered abuse.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or adult at risk.

The PCC of this Parish agreed and adopted the above Policy at its meeting on 30th May, 2023

We have appointed **Heather James** as our Church Safeguarding Officer and **Tina Hutson** as our Children's Champion. Please refer to the Parish Safeguarding Policy Statement, Diocesan Safeguarding Policy *Promoting a Safer Diocese* (2018) and the National Church's Safeguarding Policies and Parish Safeguarding Handbook for more information. The PCC shall review this policy annually. The next review will take place at the first PCC meeting following the APCM to be held in May, 2024.

Vicar: Fr Christopher Trundle

Churchwarden: Edward Dobson Churchwarden: Sonia Watson



Safeguarding Officer Heather James

Our Safeguarding Officer is the first person to speak to if you have concerns around the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult.



CHILDREN'S CHAMPION TINA HUTSON

The Children's Champion is an advocate for children in all areas of Parish life, making sure their views are heard and their needs are thought of.

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