



Archdiocese of Milwaukee Safeguarding All of God's Family Safe Environment Week - Proclamation

WHEREAS, Safe Environment Week is for every parish and school, as well as the entire faith community to focus, at the same time, on the importance of keeping our children and youth safe;

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect are societal problems whose prevention depend on involvement among people throughout the faith community;

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of not only the Archdiocese of Milwaukee but also the entire Church;

WHEREAS, the theme for this years' Safe Environment Week will be "Recognizing over twenty years of working together towards safer communities to live, learn, and grow in our faith.";

WHEREAS, acknowledging that as a Church we have much work to do to rebuild the trust that has been broken;

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that as bishops, clergy and church leaders we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and neglect and work to promote the social and emotional well-being of children, youth and families in a safe, healthy and nurturing environment;

THEREFORE, I, Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKI proclaim the week of April 23rd – April 29th, 2023 as Safe Environment Week in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. I ask that all participate and acknowledge each other with the love and mercy of God the Father.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jerome E. ListECKI'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend Jerome E. ListECKI
Archbishop of Milwaukee