

St. James 2021 Safeguarding Report

The Chaplaincy continues to follow the Guidance, Policy, and Procedures of the Diocese.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy the Diocese in Europe is committed to:

- * Promoting a Safer environment and culture
- * Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the Church
- * Responding promptly and in strict confidence to every safeguarding concern or allegation
- * Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons
- * Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons
- * Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others

The Diocesan Safeguarding Training applies across the Diocese in Europe. However, the key principles of Safeguarding remain the same and rules regarding criminal checks, disclosures, and training are strict for all involved and have been completed by all officers and members of the Chaplaincy Council.

Safeguarding has continued to work in close consultation with the Diocese in managing any ongoing concerns in St. James Parish, alongside maintaining and promoting prescribed COVID -19 safety measures when dealing with the public.

Since the last AGM St. James has not had any new Safeguarding concerns brought to attention.

St. James would like to thank everyone who gives freely of their time, help, and support during the year, especially with the added difficulties that Covid-19 precautions present.

There are currently no new Safeguarding issues highlighted and the overall number has been well within average expectation for the size of our Parish and with the transient holiday population we serve.

Lorna Barnes

Safeguarding Officer April 2021