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## St. Marks Haydock, Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy

This statement was agreed at the PCC meeting held on:

- It will be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored
- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional and spiritual abuse of Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults and to report any abuse discovered or suspected
- We recognize that our work with Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults is the responsibility of the whole church
- Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults and to providing supervision
- Our church is committed to following the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese
- The parish will adopt good practice guidelines
- Each worker with Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and Good Practice guidelines

As part of our commitment to Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults, the PCC has appointed Marie Curran to be the Vulnerable Adults Coordinator.

- Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults are an important part of our Church today
- They have much to give as well as to receive
- We will listen to them
- As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of Children, Young people & Vulnerable Adults

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