PROMISE TO PROTECT



PLEDGE TO HEAL

"The Diocese of La Crosse's Protect and Heal initiative is about moving forward in the protection of the vulnerable. Details can be found on our website including contacts, reporting procedures, safe environment training, support for those who have been harmed, and more. Some of these procedures have been in place and effective for decades.

As your Bishop, I am committed to listening and transparency in this process. I encourage all victims to come forward as we offer our willingness to assist in the healing process.

We are resolved to continue our efforts to protect against future abuse by maintaining vigilance in assuring a safe environment for the most vulnerable. All allegations will be received and addressed in a manner consonant with high professional standards and Christian principles."



Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse diolc.org/safe-environment

The diocesan website can be found at: https://diolc.org/

For additional information, please contact: Teresa Brown Director of Safe Environment Diocese of La Crosse tbrown@diolc.org (608) 791-2679

Essential Community Services

1-877-947-2211

Suicide Prevention Line

1-800-273-8255

Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault

608-257-1516

National Youth Crisis Hotline

1-800-442-4673

If you believe you or someone you know has been abused or is currently being abused, contact your local law enforcement agency immediately.

To report an instance of sexual abuse by church personnel or clergy of the Church, you can contact:

> Victim Assistance Coordinator Deacon Tom Skemp 608-792-9684

Below are contact numbers for more information on available resources or family and children's support programs within communities of the Diocese of La Crosse.

Arcadia

Crisis Services	
Human Services	715-538-2311 ext 266

Chippewa Falls

Crisis Services	888-552-6642
Human Services	715-726-7788

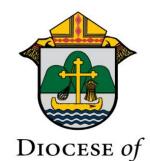
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Crisis Services	715-672-8941
Pepin County Crisis Line	888-552-6642

Eau Claire

Catholic Charities	S	715-832-6644
Eau Claire County	y Access	715-839-7118

La Crosse Catholic Charities New Horizons Vernon County Crisis Line	608-791-2610
Marshfield Crisis Services - Marathon County Human Services – Wood County Children of Wisconsin – Marshfield	715-384-5555
Prairie du Chien Catholic Charities Crisis Services Community Support Program	888-552-6642
Richland Center Richland Human Services Community Support Program Sauk County Crisis Services	608-647-6384
Stevens Point Portage County Crisis Center Human Services Comprehensive Community Services	715-345-5350
Thorp Crisis Services Clark County Social Services	
Tomah Crisis Services - Monroe County Families First of Monroe County	
Wausau Catholic Charities New Horizons- Schofield, WI	715-849-3311 715-203-1388
Wisconsin Rapids	



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Human Services715-421-8840