



THE GENERAL EPISCOPAL SYNOD OF THE LIBERAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

STATEMENT OF POLICY

The Liberal Catholic Church exists to further the work of its Master, Christ, in the world, and to bear true witness to this aim, all who act on behalf of the Church are naturally expected to do so with complete integrity and transparent accountability.

The Bishops of this Church therefore wish to state unequivocally that:

We declare that it is the responsibility, both jointly and severally, of each and every member of this Church to safeguard from, as far as humanly possible, the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of any person and to promptly report any such abuse that may be discovered or suspected to the relevant authorities.

THEREFORE:

1. We require all of our Clergy, Deaconesses, and those who represent this Church in other ways, to act with dignity, care and respect in their pastoral work with and for all the children, young people and adults to whom they minister.
2. We require all of our Clergy, Deaconesses, and those who represent this Church in other ways, to commit themselves to the safeguarding of all whom they serve, ensuring their well-being in the life of this Church.
3. Each person who has been officially appointed to represent this Church and who works with all those who attend our churches will agree to abide by these principles and any other guidelines established from time to time by this Synod.

For and on behalf of the General Episcopal Synod



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The Most Reverend Graham Wale
Presiding Bishop

