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To: All clergy, principals, parish/school staff, religious sisters and brothers

Cc: Parish and school secretaries

From: Sue Stubbs, Director, Victim Assistance Program and Jenni Ellis, Director, Safe Environment Program

Re: April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

In support of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, observed during the month of April, we invite you to consider the items below. The USCCB has created many powerful and effective resources for promoting awareness and healing of childhood abuse; it is well worth your time to review them and discuss how best they can be used in your parish/school.

- **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB):**
 - <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/child-abuse-prevention-month.cfm>
 - <http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/bishops-resources/index.cfm>
- **Novena for the Protection and Healing of Abuse – April 1-9, 2020**
 - <http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/bishops-resources/upload/cyp-novena-bulletin-insert.pdf>
- **Archdiocese of Atlanta Office of Child & Youth Protection:**
 - <https://archatl.com/offices/child-and-youth-protection/child-abuse-prevention-resources/>
- **Prevent Child Abuse Georgia:**
 - <https://abuse.publichealth.gsu.edu/child-abuse-prevention-toolkit/>

We urge you to share this information with your parish/school community during the month of April and beyond.

Please know that we are here to assist you with any questions or suggestions. Thank you for all you do to keep our kids safe!

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