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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 – Child Abuse Prevention Month

In support of National Child Abuse Prevention Month beginning Saturday, April 1, we invite you to visit the web-links below and review the following resources.

The USCCB has created many resources that are powerful and effective in promoting awareness and healing of childhood abuse; it is well worth your time to review them and see how to best use them in your parish/school.

- **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB):**
 - <https://www.usccb.org/offices/child-and-youth-protection/diocesan-resources> - scroll half-way down page to Child Abuse Prevention Month section for the *2022 Child Abuse Prevention Month Resource Booklet* (from last year...there is no update for 2023)
 - <https://www.usccb.org/committees/communications/abuse-prevention-resources>
 - <https://www.usccb.org/topics/catholic-safeguards/safety-statistics>
 - <https://www.usccb.org/offices/child-and-youth-protection/webinarsvideos>
- **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 encourage 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 kids safe!

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