PARISH OF ______________________________________

Role: Helper – children and young people

Purpose: To provide general assistance to those working with children and young people in the Parish.

Age range: Up to 18 years

Responsible to: Parish Priest

Main Responsibilities

(a) To provide support to the designated worker in the area, for example communion or confirmation catechists.
(b) To support the development of the faith of young people in their care.
(c) To provide a safe and supportive environment in which young people can freely share their experiences, opinions and questions.
(d) To maintain appropriate boundaries.
(e) To help ensure that all sessions are conducted in accordance with Diocesan Safeguarding Procedures.

Person Specification

(a) Commitment to the teachings of the Catholic Church and the development of the parish community.
(b) Ability to relate with respect and ease to young people and to communicate clearly.
(c) Willingness to share your own faith experience with others, to be open to challenge and to grow in your own faith.
(d) Willingness to give your time to support of sessions involving young people and children.
(e) All volunteers should be over 18 years of age.

Protection of Children and Adults at Risk:

(a) To familiarise themselves with National Safeguarding Policies.
(b) To refer any concerns about a child to the Safeguarding Representative in the Parish.
(c) To be willing to participate in basic child protection training.