



"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." Heb. 13:8

Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

Office of the Archbishop

May 15, 2008

Dear Volunteer,

Thank you for all you do for your parish or school and for the Church!

The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, along with dioceses across the country, has enacted policies to deal with the problem of sexual abuse. To help protect children, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has mandated background checks for all volunteers who come in contact with minors in Catholic parishes and schools.

Please know that all parish and school employees, regardless of their role, are also required to undergo background checks.

With this letter, you will be given forms which need to be filled out so that the background check may be completed. Any information you provide for this background check will be kept confidential by your parish or school.

I thank you again for your service to the Church and for your help in protecting all God's children.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Nienstedt".

Most Reverend John Nienstedt
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis