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VIRTUS® "Teaching Touching Safety" Children's Program
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
"Permission Slip"

August 1, 2019

Dear Parents,

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Faith Formation Education Program will present VIRTUS® *Teaching, Touching Safety program* to our students during the school year. This safety class consists of a one-hour session. We will announce the exact dates for each grade in our monthly parent letters. This personal safety program is provided to us by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. It is a part of our ongoing effort throughout the country to create a safe environment for children and protect them from sexual abuse.

The creators of the VIRTUS® *Protecting God's Children*™ program developed the *Teaching Touching Safety* program which consists of "Five Safety Rules" children need to learn to help keep them safe. In addition, students will also learn about topics such as internet and technology safety, setting boundaries, what to do about bullying and summer safety.

For further information about the VIRTUS® *Teaching Touching Safety* program, you may visit the VIRTUS *Online*™ website at www.virtus.org.

Ensuring the safety of our young people truly is a challenging undertaking. We need to provide our children and teenagers with tools to help protect themselves from those wanting to harm them in any capacity. Our Faith Formation Catechists and staff want to become partners with you in protecting God's children.

If you have questions about the program or would like to review any of the materials or DVDs, please feel free to contact me at 805/969-4868.

Sincerely,
Sister Rosalie Callen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Faith Formation Program
Parent Permission Slip for the VIRTUS® *Touching Safety* Program

I understand that for my child to participate in the VIRTUS® "Touching Safety Program" I need to fill out and return this Parent Permission Form. I am specifically requesting that **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Faith Formation Program** present the *Touching Safety* program to my child:

Child's Name: _____ Grade_____.

Please Print

Parent's name (printed): _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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