



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Safety Advisory Transportation – Vehicle Use

Purpose

The purpose of this Advisory is to provide basic safety guidelines with regard to the use of vehicles including:

- Diocesan/Parish/School Owned Vehicles
- Vehicles owned by others but used on diocesan/parish/school business
- Vehicles owned by Clergy

Risks Associated with Vehicle Use

Vehicle risk is presented any time:

- A vehicle owned/leased by your organization is operated
- A vehicle not owned by your organization is used on behalf of your organization

The use of vehicles is, perhaps, the single greatest liability risk that we encounter on a routine basis. The liability risks are high for many reasons including:

- Catastrophic bodily injury is a common result of vehicle accidents.
- Several people may be riding in a vehicle and are exposed to the effects of a single accident.
- Certain hazards (such as the behaviors of other drivers) are beyond the control of your organization.
- Children to whom we owe a great duty of care are often the recipients of transportation services.

For all of these reasons, great care needs to be taken to minimize risks associated with vehicle use.

Attached are guidelines to be used for automobiles owned by your organization, automobiles owned by volunteers, and automobiles owned by employees.