

**ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES RE-CERTIFICATION POLICY**  
(Revised August, 2021)

In order to work or volunteer in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, all clergy, staff and volunteers:

- Must attend original 3 hr. VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children” Adult Awareness Session,
- Must recertify every four years on/or before the expiration date on the face of their current certificate.  
See sample dateline below`

<u>“Protecting God’s Children” Training</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Re-Certification Year</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Re-Certification Year</u>
2013	2017	2021
2014	2018	2022
2015	2019	2023
2016	2020	2024

**Option #1 Retake VIRTUS® 3 hr. “Protecting God’s Children”**

Any participants whose recertification date on their certificate **has expire, must retake VIRTUS® Protecting God Children!**

**Option #2: VIRTUS® 1 ½ hr. “Keeping the Promise Alive” Recertification**

Participants whose current certificate has not yet expired, may attend 1 ½ hr. “Keeping the Promise Alive” recertification “This session reviews the “Five Steps” for protecting children and young people from child sexual abuse and helps participants to explore ways that their parish/school/community has become a safer place because these steps have been implemented. **VIRTUS® Keeping the Promise Alive is currently available online from Feb. – Dec. 2020. If you qualify, please contact: [jvienna@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org).**

**Option #3: VIRTUS® Protecting God’s Children (48) Monthly Bulletins**

Participants who registered on VIRTUS® Online immediately following their VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children” session and have read at least 48 monthly “Protecting God’s Children for Adults” training bulletin, qualify for an Option #3 Re-Certification. **If you qualify, please contact: [avichot@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:avichot@la-archdiocese.org) with your name, address, parish, region and phone number and write “Option #3 Re-Certification” on the subject line.**

**Option #4: Archdiocese of Los Angeles “Reporting Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect” Online Training** is approximately two long. The content of the training will help you recognize signs of suspected child abuse or neglect and will teach you how and where to report it. This certificate is good for four years from the date of completion. Note: This course is good for only one year if you are a teacher and mandated reporter under section (b)(1) of AB-1207, Section 2 of the Penal Code or is it Education Code. **If you qualify, go to: <https://moodle.la-archdiocese.org/login/index.php>**

**Important Notice**

Participants must keep their original VIRTUS® Protecting All God’s Children and any additional recertification certificates as proof of compliance. A only a “copy” of the certificate should be given to the parish/school where you work or volunteer.

