

WHEN YOU CALL, WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

- ✓ Being helpful to victims of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel and facilitate a process of healing and reconciliation
- ✓ Offering victims counseling and services that will assist them in their difficult journey in addressing their pain and suffering.
- ✓ Providing emotional support and companionship to victims as they make their journey in search of healing.
- ✓ To work with local and state authorities in preventing future abuse and to punish those who perpetrate abuse
- ✓ To remove from ministry those who have abused children.

PLEASE HELP US IN OUR RESOLVE & COMMITMENT:

- ❖ Call the 24-Hour Florida Child Abuse Hotline to report a case of sexual abuse. Please call: 1-800-962-2873
 - Victims, Church Personnel, and Members of the Public have are obligated under Florida Law to report child or sexual abuse.
- ❖ Promote “safety education” programs that empower children, young people, and adults to protect themselves from sexual abuse or harassment.
- ❖ Be observant and vigilant when in an environment where children are present.
- ❖ Insist that children (*17 years of age and younger*) be properly supervised
- ❖ Learn more about sexual abuse by participating in Diocesan Sponsored safe environment courses.

