



ALL SAINTS PARISH POLICY

DRIVING CHILDREN

It is important if children are transported in a private vehicle as part of a Parish activity their safety is of highest consideration and the following guidelines are adhered to:

- Drivers need to have a roadworthy and insured vehicle and a current driver's licence.
- The decision of who should transport children is at the discretion of the Youth Worker / Group Leader and the driver must have completed an All Saints - ASF007 Use of Private Vehicle Declaration.
- If a vehicle does appear unsafe or unroadworthy and may place at risk the safety of a child, the Youth Worker / Group Leader should deny the use of the vehicle.
- When children and young people are being transported in a private vehicle, the supervision of that child whilst travelling in the vehicle and during rest stops lies with the driver of the vehicle.
- During long trips drivers must ensure they take appropriate rest breaks.
- Drivers should take precautions to protect themselves from situations that may give rise to an allegation inappropriate behaviour (eg have another adult present).
- It is recommended that there is more than one passenger in a vehicle during activities.
- If a group of children are being dropped home regularly it is recommended that who is dropped home last is varied among the group members.