

Circle of Grace

Circle of Grace is the Safe Environment program chosen by the Diocese of Santa Rosa. Created by the Archdiocese of Omaha and used by 17 diocese throughout the United States, it is an effective program to educate children and young people to participate in a safe environment, with a strong emphasis on the presence of God in their midst.

Program goals and objectives

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The goal of the Circle of Grace program is to educate and empower children and young people to actively participate in a safe environment for themselves and others.

Program objectives

Children/young people will understand they are created by God and live in the love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

- *God is "present" in everyone's Circle of Grace.*

Children/young people will be able to describe the Circle of Grace that God gives each of us.

- *God is "present" because He desires a relationship with us.*

Children/young people will be able to identify and maintain appropriate physical, emotional, spiritual and sexual boundaries.

- *God helps us know what belongs in our Circle of Grace.*

Children/young people will be able to identify all types of boundary violations.

- *God helps us know what does not belong in our Circle of Grace*

Children/young people will demonstrate how to take action if any boundary is threatened or violated.

- *God helps us know when to ask for help from someone who we trust.*

If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please contact the Safe Environment coordinator for your parish or school, or contact:

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