Annual Parish Compliance Report
To be submitted to the Diocesan Hierarch at the end of each calendar year

From: ____________________________
Rector

Parish: ____________________________

Diocese: ____________________________

To: ____________________________
Diocesan Hierarch

Date: ____________________________

This report documents our parish’s compliance with the “Policies, Standards, and Procedures of the Orthodox Church in America on Sexual Misconduct” (“PSP”), as adopted by the Holy Synod of Bishop at the Fall 2013 Meeting.

1. Has the parish council documented adoption of the PSP and indicated so in the parish council minutes? (A parish is required to do this only once. It is not necessary to formally adopt the PSPs every year, however, it is advisable that a review of the PSPs occur annually at the general parish or council meeting) [PSP 4.02b]

___ Yes ___ No  Date of adoption __________

2. Are criminal history background checks* being conducted on all individuals who have more than incidental contact with children [PSP 11.02]:

   Priests  ___ Yes  ___ No
   Deacons  ___ Yes  ___ No
   Subdeacons  ___ Yes  ___ No
   Readers  ___ Yes  ___ No
   Church school teachers  ___ Yes  ___ No
   Youth workers  ___ Yes  ___ No

3. Has the parish implemented the OCA screening program (as found www.oca.org/about/sexualmisconduct) of new applicants (and volunteers working less than 2 years) for positions that involve primarily unsupervised activity with children and adolescents (e.g. church school teachers, camp counselors, youth advisors, mentors)? [PSP 11.03]

   a. Application for youth work  ___ Yes  ___ No
   b. Interview of applicant  ___ Yes  ___ No
   c. Reference checks  ___ Yes  ___ No
   d. Criminal history background check  ___ Yes  ___ No
   e. Driver history check (if applicable)  ___ Yes  ___ No
   f. All documentation of the above should be kept on file in a secure location at the parish. Is this being done?  ___ Yes  ___ No

*The OCA now recommends the background check company Protect My Ministry which specializes in working with faith organizations. They website is www.protectmyministry.com

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4. Have all youth volunteers (camp counselors, youth advisors/mentors, church school teachers, etc.) received training and education on the prevention of sexual abuse of children, **once every three years**? (e.g. Stewards of Children, Boy Scouts of America, or other program approved by the Ruling Bishop)? [PSP 14.01]

___ Yes ___ No ___ Not applicable, explain why: ____________________________________________

5. Is the parish providing general supervision and following the two-adult policy? [PSP 13.01]

___ Yes ___ No ___ Not applicable, explain why: ____________________________________________

If no, please explain what alternative the parish employs to avoid children being left alone with one adult. If the two adult policy is not applicable, please explain why.

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6. Has the parish adopted a transportation policy? [PSP 13.05]  ____ Yes ____ No ____ Not applicable

7. Have all YOUTH VOLUNTEERS and PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS been given a copy of the abbreviated version of the PSPs? ____ Yes ____ No

   a. Have they certified in written form their commitment to comply with the PSP, such certification being kept in parish files? ____ Yes ____ No

If you answered “No” to any of the above questions, please explain why.

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