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Dear Cleric

### **Ministry with Vulnerable Adults**

The Bishops have recently adopted a policy for ministry with vulnerable adults. I am pleased to provide you with a copy of that policy and guide which has been designed to help you and the Parochial Church Council in adopting a policy and implementing good practice.

You are asked to ensure that the Parochial Church Council is made aware of the Policy and that it is encouraged, if it has not already done so, to take steps to adopt a parish policy and ensure that the recommended guidelines are implemented.

Since the publication of the guide the Government has announced its intention to review the Independent Safeguarding Authority. Consequently there is currently **NO** requirement for clergy or volunteers to register with the Independent Safeguarding Authority (contrary to the advice given in Section 3 "Selection Procedure for Church Workers" point 5. You will be notified should this position change.

For help and assistance in implementing this guide you can contact the Provincial staff or Diocesan Safeguarding Officer. Contact details can be found overleaf.

Yours sincerely

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