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Think First & Stay Safe!

Sexual Abuse Awareness, Prevention and Safety Program

PARENT "OPT-OUT" FORM (PARISH)

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland has implemented the above sexual abuse awareness, prevention and safety program in all parishes and Catholic schools. All parents with children in either Parish Faith Formation Programs (including, but not limited to religious education and youth ministry) or Catholic Schools are strongly encouraged to participate, along with their children, in this program.

By signing this form I have acknowledged the above and elected NOT to have my child participate in this program. I also acknowledge that I was offered the opportunity to discuss my concerns with the Pastor, Principal or Parish Catechetical Leader and that I have been provided with the *Think First & Stay Safe! Parent's Manual* which is designed to help me provide this education to my child.

Number of Children Being Opted-Out: _____ Children's Grade Level(s): _____

(Parent's/Guardian' Signature) (Date)

(PCL Signature) (Date)

(Parish Name/City) (Date)

Concerns/Issues:

Please return forms to the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation no later than December 1, 2010