Churchwardens
Agreement

The Churchwardens play an important role in the life and management of the Church and stewardship of its property. They are required to be at least 18 years old, communicant members of the Church and regular worshippers in the Parish. They are expected to be mature Christians and exemplary in their conduct and are required to sign a Diocesan Declaration that they are 'duly qualified for the office as prescribed in the Act and that they will faithfully perform the required duties'. They are *ex officio* members of the Parish Council and are required to meet regularly and report to the meetings of the Council.

As part of the Anglican Diocese of Bendigo's commitment to ensuring our parishes and churches are safe places for all members of the community, we ask that you sign the following agreement to acknowledge that you will uphold the duties and responsibilities of a Churchwarden and contribute to building a safe church environment by undertaking Safe Church training and supporting the implementation of safe church practices.

- *I have read and understood the duties, responsibilities and requirements of a Churchwarden. I agree to participate (or have participated) in a Safe Church Awareness Workshop. I understand that I may be required to obtain clearances and am prepared to undertake such requirements as deemed necessary.*

- *I will abide by the Safe Church policies of the Diocese:*

  - *Safe Church policy*
  - *Privacy policy*
  - *Communication policy*
  - *Electronic Communication guidelines*
  - *Child Safe policy*

- *I have read the Code of Practice and associated documents in the Churchwarden's Pack and I am committed to abide by them*

- *I agree to the confidentiality of the role in my time as Churchwarden and in the time following completion of serving in that role.*

- *I am a member of the Anglican Church of Australia (ACA)*
  ie. I have been confirmed or received by a bishop into the ACA

Name   _____

Parish   _____

Signature   _____

Date   _____

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