

Reverend and dear Father:

This past January, I shared with you that the Presbyteral Council decided unanimously that the Archdiocese of Vancouver will celebrate a Safe Haven Sunday this year. This is an opportunity for our parishes to address the destructive effects of pornography on marriages, families and our culture as a whole.

Safe Haven Sunday will be celebrated on October 3, 2021. I ask that every parish participate in this important and timely initiative. For a further explanation of the purpose of Safe Haven Sunday, you can view this informational video: www.covenanteyes.com/safe-haven-introduction.

In partnership with Covenant Eyes, you will be provided with resources to equip parents for making their homes into havens where their children are safe from the evil of pornography. The Ministries and Outreach Office will be sending you an email on how to order a booklet, *Equipped: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture*, for distribution to each family in your parish at the end of all Masses on Safe Haven Sunday. You will also receive materials to help you prepare for the implementation of Safe Haven Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Sister John Mary Sullivan, FSE, at simsullivan@rcav.org.

Together, as the one Body of Christ, let us do all we can to assist families in dealing with this great evil, so that they can be communities of life and love.

Thank you for supporting the Safe Haven Sunday initiative.

With cordial greetings and the assurance of my prayers for you and your parishioners, I remain

Fraternally yours in Christ,

+ J. Michael Miller, CSB Archbishop of Vancouver