

SEARCH for Christian Maturity
Diocese of Fargo

CODE OF CONDUCT for all those participating in the Search Weekend Retreat

Name _____

Preface:

The intention of this **Code of Conduct** is to propel all those who attend the Search Weekend to be “imitators of God as beloved children and walk in love” by conforming their thoughts, words and actions to the “mind ... which is yours in Christ Jesus” and by following his example. (CCC 1694) It is meant to ensure a safe, healthy and moral environment for all participating in the Search Weekend experience. This Code is a reminder that we are all created with dignity in the image and likeness of God. (Gen 1:26 – 28)

Simply put, the Code of Conduct embodies the simple fact that those who attend a Search Weekend Retreat should do so to grow in Faith and understanding of Gods Love for them and to gain a deeper relationship with Christ.

To meet those ends, all participants agree to some basic rules of disposition, actions and expectations;

Participants WILL NOT:

- Use language that insults, bullies, intimidates, humiliates others, nor use Gods name in a disrespectful manner.
- Engage in inappropriate sexual behavior including immodest dress.
- Use sexual language or jokes that demean Gods’ gift of sexuality or demean the dignity of others.
- Have in their possession any tobacco products, alcohol, or any controlled illegal substance.

Participants WILL:

- Treat all persons with respect and not cause any intentional harm (physically, emotionally or spiritually) to any person in any way.
- Respect the property of others, including the physical facility of Maryvale Convent where the weekend is held.
- Make restitution for any damages they cause.

Acknowledgement of Participant:

I have read the above Code of Conduct for a Search Retreat Weekend and agree to support and abide by it.

Please print name: _____

Signed: _____ *date:* _____

**Parent/Guardian also signs if participant is under 18 years of age*

**Signed:* _____ *date:* _____

Please return this Code of Conduct to Dori or Jim Picard prior to the weekend (via mail or email). Thank you and may God Bless you.