How the Church Responds When...

**Abuse is alleged:**
- Immediate report to law enforcement
- Cooperation and investigation
- Credibility = permanent removal
- Review by Independent Review Board

**A survivor comes forward:**
- The Church apologizes
- Counseling is offered
- A meeting with the Archbishop is arranged

**Someone wants to work/volunteer:**
- Criminal history screening
- Abuse prevention/detection training
- References contacted

**Someone wants to be a priest:**
- Background check
- 2-day psychological evaluation
- Clinical, psychosocial, spirituality interviews
- Pornography addiction screening
- Rigorous multi-year formation

**Children need protecting:**
- Independent compliance audits
- Parish/school compliance audits
- Prevention education for children
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