

List of Roles Requiring a Garda Vetting Check in Dioceses and Parishes

This list has been produced on a common understanding of roles within the Church of Ireland. However, roles may differ in various contexts.

For example, a caretaker in one parish may not be involved in regulated activity with children and therefore, wouldn't require a vetting check, while in another parish, a caretaker might lead a gardening group with children and would therefore require a vetting check. It is important that each role is assessed according to the guidance provided by Garda Vetting Bureau to determine whether a vetting check is necessary.

Name of Role
Adult Safeguarding Panel member
Children's coach (e.g. football, badminton, dance)
Children's choir chaperone/Children's Chorister Supervisor
Children's ministry leader
Church bell-ringing leader involving children's bell ringing classes
Church bell-ringing leader involving vulnerable adults' bell ringing classes
Church of Ireland Youth Department staff involved in children's ministry or safeguarding
Church/Glebe/People's/Rector's warden involving supervision of children
Clergy- in ministry or retired- Bishop, Rector, Curate, Bishop's Curate, Diocesan Curate, Non-Stipendiary Minister (NSM) Ordained Local Minister (OLM), Priest in Charge, Minister in Charge, Vicar, Associate Minister Clergy, and Church Army Officer
Creche / Preschool / Parent Toddler / Mum & Tots Group volunteers, supervisors or leaders
Diocesan Evangelist involved with children
Diocesan Evangelist involved with vulnerable adults
Diocesan Ministry leaders involved with children
Diocesan Ministry leaders involved with vulnerable adults
Diocesan Youth Officers and Leaders
Girl's Friendly Society staff, leaders and helpers
Holiday camp/ Holiday bible club / Summer camp volunteers and leaders
Host families with children staying in their home
Junior leaders (over 16) assisting with any church ministry to children or vulnerable adults
Lay Liturgical Minister (LLM) involving providing religious education to children
Lay Liturgical Minister (LLM) involving providing religious education to vulnerable adults
Leader in children and youth choir or children's worship band
Leader in vulnerable adults' choir or vulnerable adults worship band
Minister of Healing

Missionary worker overseas
Ordinands
Organist or assistant organist teaching music to children or vulnerable adults
Parish community worker who has supervision of children
Parish community worker who provides a recreational activity to vulnerable adults
Parish drama group leaders involving children
Parish drama group involving vulnerable adults
Parish or Cathedral events assistant and workshop facilitator who has supervision of children
Parish or Cathedral events assistant and workshop facilitator who provides a recreational activity to vulnerable adults on a regular basis
Parish photographer engaged on a regular basis
Parish youth and children's club Leader
Parish or Diocesan Lay Reader and Lay Pastor involved with children
Parish or Diocesan Lay Reader and Lay Pastor involved with vulnerable adults
Parish/Diocesan Safeguarding trust panel member and representative
Parish/Diocesan Safeguarding trainer working exclusively with children
Parish visitor
Pastoral worker
Pioneer Evangelist
Pioneer Minister
Sunday school/Messy church teacher in Parish
Tour guides and education department staff in cathedrals regularly working with children and or vulnerable adults
Verger involved with children
Verger involved with vulnerable adults
Youth and children's worker/volunteer

List of Roles that do not require vetting for Parishes

- Bell ringer class leaders who do not have supervision duties with children or teaching vulnerable adults
- Bell ringers with no supervision of children or vulnerable adults
- Café staff (some parishes have community coffee shops)
- Camera person/ videographer
- Car park attendant
- Caretaker

- Choir leaders in a choir which does not have supervision duties with children or teaching vulnerable adults
- Choir member with no supervision of children or teaching vulnerable adults
- Church/Glebe/People's/Rector's warden **with no** supervision of children
- CIYD staff who are not involved in working directly with children or dealing with safeguarding issues
- Diocesan support team member
- Education staff in cathedrals who do not engage or work directly with children or vulnerable adults or dealing with safeguarding issues
- Gardener
- Gravedigger
- Organist and assistance organist (with no responsibility for teaching music to children/vulnerable adults or supervising children's/vulnerable adults choir)
- Parish cleaner
- Parish committee members (not involved with safeguarding) e.g. finance committee member
- Parish community worker with no supervision of children or providing recreational activities to vulnerable adults
- Parish events assistant/workshop facilitator on a non-regular basis
- Parish secretary
- Photographer for children engaged on a non-regular basis
- Safeguarding trainer not working exclusively with children
- Select vestry member
- Theatre group member (unless involving supervision of children's theatre group)
- Volunteer at baby changing and feeding facility with no supervision of children
- Welcome team
- Worship band members