The Safeguarding Office has designed this booklet for Children to help them know what emotions and feelings are. If you are a Child in the Archdiocese of Sydney this book is for you.

As a Child, it is good for you to stay happy and healthy. However, sometimes you may feel unhappy or sad. When you are unhappy or sad, it is important for you to tell your parents, a teacher or a trusted adult so that they can help.

We hope that this book will help you to understand your feelings and emotions and seek help when you need it.

“I can do all things through Him who strengthens me”
- Phil 4:13
Hi, I am Saint Nicholas,
I am the Patron Saint of Children!

I was born in Turkey.

I was a young man when I became the Bishop of Myra.

I came from a wealthy family, I chose to give my money to the poor and needy.

I dedicated my life to the protection of children.

Count how many times you can see St Nicholas throughout the book.
“Let us run to Mary, and, as her little children, cast ourselves into her arms with a perfect confidence”

– St Francis de Sales
What are Feelings?
Feelings are what we all feel when good
or bad things happen to us. Everyone
experiences different feelings every day and
our bodies help show others how we feel.

What are Emotions?
Emotions are the names that we give our
feelings such as happy, sad or surprised. Our
Emotions can change many times a day.

What emotions are you feeling today?

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“May the Lord make his face shine upon you”

– St Veronica
How do you feel?

Guess the feeling by...

- Matching the emotion words to the faces
- Drawing your own version of the emotion in the yellow circle

Happy       Sad        Surprised
Scared    Angry    Silly    Worried

1. ........................................

2. ........................................

3. ........................................
4. ........................................

5. ........................................

6. ........................................

7. ........................................
This is the Emotion Garden. Just as we water flowers to look after them, we need to look after our emotions. Colour in the different flowers.
What makes me happy?
Draw or write what makes you happy

What makes me feel loved?
Draw or write what makes you feel loved

What makes me feel proud?
Draw or write what makes you feel proud

What makes me angry?
Draw or write what makes you angry

“Be who God has made you to be and you will set the world on fire”
– St Catherine of Sienna
“Each Child has a place in God’s Heart for all Eternity.”
– Pope Francis
FEELING SAFE
Feeling Safe

You have the right to feel safe at all times. You also have the right to tell a trusted adult when you don’t feel safe.

Draw something that makes you feel safe

Draw something that makes you feel unsafe
Finding your Trusted Adults

Trusted Adults help us feel safe when we are feeling scared or worried. Write in the cross who your trusted adults are in your life.
Trusted Adults in your life

Did you know?
A trusted adult’s job is to....
- Protect children
- Teach children
- Take care of children
- Help children when they make a mistake or do something wrong

Identify Trusted Adults in your life for each of the examples.

Think about a time when you needed help at school... who did you go to for help?

Think about a time when you needed help in church... who did you go to for help?
Think about a time when you were nervous... who did you go to for help?

Think about a time when you were scared... who did you go to for help?

Think about a time when you were happy... who did you share that with?

Think about a time when you were excited... who did you share that with?

“Peace begins with a smile.”
– St Teresa of Calcutta
Colouring in Activity

Draw yourself and one of your trusted adults together.

“Use the gifts you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you.”
– St Therese of Lisieux
My Church Community

In our Church Community we should all feel safe, welcomed and included. Draw a picture that matches the statement.

Active
I keep myself active in the Church Community by...

Safe
I keep myself safe in the Church Community by...

Responsible
I feel responsible in my Church Community when I...

Respect
I feel respected in my Church Community when...

Included
I feel included in my Church Community when...
Safe and Unsafe Situations

There may be times where we find ourselves in unsafe situations. It is really important that we keep ourselves safe and make sure we are in safe environments.

Read each example and circle the happy or worried face to show how safe or unsafe the situation is. The first one is an example.

Chatting with people in games online without permission

Crossing the road without an adult

Being alone in a space without another adult present
Walking across the road with an adult holding hands

Running with a candle in the church

Sitting with family at church

Telling a trusted adult when you feel upset or worried
My Church Community

Who in your church community do you know? Draw people from your church community below.

“We have much for which to be thankful.”
– St Mary of the Cross Mackillop
Tell a trusted adult if you or another child is feeling hurt, worried, anxious or embarrassed.

An adult will:

LISTEN to what you have to say

They will help you feel SAFE

They will TELL people who will be able to help you

Your safety comes first! Remember to speak to a trusted adult such as a parent or teacher.

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Thank you

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