Church Security
Emergency Procedures for Catholic Parishes, Missions and Organizations. (Green Book)

Catholic Mutual Group

An existing resource available to Pastors and Staff to assist you in preparing for unexpected circumstances relating to the publication of the list of clergy with credible and substantiated allegations of the abuse may be found in the Green Book, a manual provided by Kurt Hickman, Diocesan Risk Manager.

The “Emergency Procedures for Ushers” provides tips for ushers to assist the presiding priest maintain a sense of order in the church and the safety of those present.

The “Armed Intruder/Menacing Person” section provides additional safety tips.

- Disturbances and Distraught Individuals see pages 5-6
- Armed Intruder/Menacing Person, see page 17

Parishes should have a copy of the Green Book.

Any parish needing a copy may contact Kurt Hickman at khickman@richmonddiocese.org.

An electronic version may be found on the extranet under Pastoral Responses to Abuse Crisis then the heading Safety and Security Resources.

Note: Spanish versions are available upon request.