



**Bishops' Conference of Scotland**  
**NATIONAL OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF**  
**CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS**

**TESTIMONIAL LETTER FOR PRIESTS / RELIGIOUS**

**Required for Ministry in the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles.**  
**Rt. Rev. Brian McGee, Bishop's House, Esplanade, Oban, PA 34 5AB.**

I ..... (Bishop/Superior) hereby state that I consider..... (name of applicant) to be a Priest/Deacon/Member of Religious Congregation of good character and standing in the Diocese/Religious Congregation of ..... and qualified to undertake pastoral work in the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles.

I confirm that, so far as I am aware, there is nothing in his/her background that might suggest that he/she would be unsuitable for working with minors and vulnerable persons, nor has he/she any current problems with alcohol or substance abuse.

I confirm that, so far as I am aware, he/she is in good health and not in need of medical attention.

Finally, I give my approval to ..... for ministry in the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles.

Signed .....

Date .....

(Bishop / Religious Superior)

**SEAL**

Postal address: .....

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Telephone: .....

Email .....

To be returned (marked Private and Confidential) to Bishop McGee at the address in heading above.

**For Official Use**

The Bishop/Religious Superior of Father/Sister ..... has submitted a suitable testimonial letter for this priest/deacon/member of religious congregation to work in this Diocese.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

(Bishop Brian McGee / Fr Roddy Johnston, Vicar General / Diocesan Safeguarding Officer)