ETHICAL CONCERNS REGARDING PARISH OR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION?

Archbishop Sartain accepted the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Finance Council to engage an independent company that will provide a confidential program for Archdiocesan staff to report ethical concerns regarding parish and school administration.

The Ethicspoint hotline and website are now live.

<u>www.seattlearchdiocese.ethicspoint.com</u> (844) 815 - 8236

Any complaints that come in are first forwarded to Ms. Tiffany Couch. Ms. Couch is an independent forensic auditor who has worked complaints and investigations involving the Archdiocese in the past. If requested, concerns will be confidential.

Upon receiving a concern or complaint, Ms. Couch will communicate with the appropriate Archdiocesan staff member to determine if further information or investigation is needed. If the complaint involves an Archdiocesan employee who might otherwise be involved in the investigation process, she will work with the chairperson of the Archdiocesan Finance Council who communicates directly with the Archbishop.

Posters and brochures regarding Ethicspoint were sent to your parish in July.

Please note:

The hotline for reporting issues regarding safe environment or sexual abuse has not changed and is not part of the new Ethicspoint program.