

September 2022 – Technology Security Tips

Phishing Awareness

We have seen a big uptick in phishing attempts here at the Pastoral Center. Our banking reps have confirmed that phishing and other cyber-attacks attempts have risen dramatically. Because of this, we want to give you a few tips so you can spot these phishing attempts.

1. Any email requests to change banking info should be verified with the individual in a separate email, in person, or with a phone call. There have been a few losses incurred in the past month or so from this technique.
2. Be wary of all incoming email. Watch for incorrect grammar, unfamiliar email addresses, etc. Never reply, do not click any links or open any attachments from a suspect email, and delete immediately.
3. If in doubt, reach out to the sender (if you know the sender) in a separate and KNOWN email address or by phone call.



Cyber Security Awareness Training

As you all know, we recently went through the annual application process for our diocesan-wide cyber liability insurance. One of the requirements on the application was whether cyber security awareness training is offered to all employees. To aid us in achieving this requirement, a website that offers free and low-cost training can be found [here](#). After going to this website, scroll down to the section called “Employee Awareness Training” for several training links.

