



ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM SCRIPTURE

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life.”

John 3:16

“For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8:38-39

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all His benefits — who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.”

Psalms 103:1-5

Jesus says: “Come to Me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.”

Matthew 11:28-30

Dear Guests and Family Members,

We welcome you in the name of Christ to St. Joseph’s Hospital and to our healing community. Our Spiritual Care Department is ready to offer you the Spiritual Care and support you need to get you through your visit.

Our ministry seeks to meet your spiritual, emotional, and physical needs through: visitation, solace, encouragement, prayer, and the sacraments. We also provide items that keep the hands and mind busy like puzzle books and reading materials. We are always ready to listen and will strive to meet any need you have. Keep this pamphlet handy should you need one of our chaplains during your stay with us.

May God’s living presence be with you!

WE BELIEVE GOD CARES FOR YOU!

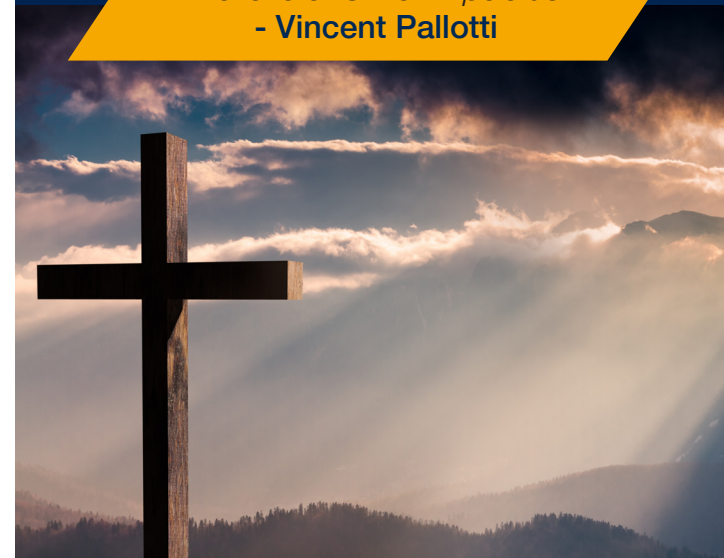
“The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name’s sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff — they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.”

Psalms 23



ST. JOSEPH’S HOSPITAL SPIRITUAL CARE

The love of Christ impels us.
- Vincent Pallotti



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PRAYER & HEALING

The Chaplains of our Pastoral Care Staff and our entire Community at St. Joseph's Hospital are praying for you! Each morning at 8am and evening at 8pm, one of our chaplains or staff will lead our community in a prayer over the intercom.



**May Jesus Christ Grant You
Healing and Wholeness.**

SPIRITUAL CARE STAFF

Tom Nestor
Director of Mission Integration

Rev. Gage Rewerts, M.Div, MACL
Chaplain

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

MORNING

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have brought us safely to the beginning of this day: Defend us by Your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor run into any danger; and that guided by Your Spirit, we may do what is righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEALTIME

Bless, O Lord, this food to our use, and us to Your loving service. Give us grateful hearts, and make us ever mindful of the needs of others, Amen.

BEFORE SURGERY OR TESTING

Almighty Father, graciously comfort Your servant in *their/my* suffering, and bless the means made use of for *their/my* cure. Fill *their/my* heart with confidence that, though at times *they/I* may be afraid, *they/I* may still put *their/my* trust in You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AFTER SURGERY OR TESTING

Almighty Father, strengthen Your servant to do what *they/I* have to do and bear what *they/I* have to bear; that in accepting Your healing gifts through the skill of surgeons and nurses, *they/I* may be restored to usefulness in Your world with a thankful heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EVENING

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give Your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for Your love's sake. Amen.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Our chaplains are available seven days a week. You will generally receive a visit from a chaplain within 24 hours of your admission to the hospital. If you would like to see a chaplain before that, or at any other time, ask your nurse to contact us! You may also call the Pastoral Care office at **192189** on your room phone. As our chaplains are often on the floors, you may need to leave a message. Your own priest, pastor, or religious leader is always welcome to visit you.

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

Monday and Friday (except 1st Friday of each month) at 7:30 am

A Catholic priest is available to administer the sacraments and would be glad to come to your room.

ECUMENICAL WORSHIP

Each Wednesday at Noon there is a brief prayer service in our chapel on the first floor that is open to all guests, visitors, and staff. We come together in the unity of our mutual faith in Christ to pray and praise together. Our chapel is open 24/7 for those seeking a quiet place for prayer and reflection.

Our Protestant Chaplain would be glad to serve you Holy Communion in your room.

FOR PERSONS OF OTHER FAITHS

Our department is happy to assist persons of other faith traditions or no faith tradition in any way that helps meet their spiritual needs; including listening, solace, contacting a leader of your faith tradition, and ensuring that your religious needs are accommodated to the fullest extent possible.