

Services of the Chaplain

- Spiritual and emotional support
- Compassionate presence and listening
- Prayer, scripture and spiritual reading
- Help in making difficult decisions
- Spiritual self-assessment
- Church or synagogue contacts
- Living Will information
- Wellness and well-being resources
- Worship services
- Supportive care of the dying
- Spiritual Care for all at St. Joseph Medical Center

**LET
GOD'S PRESENCE
CALM YOUR HEART
AND
FILL YOU WITH
PEACE**

PRAYERS

Peace I leave with you,
My peace I give to you.
Let not your heart be troubled.
John 14:27

How precious is your steadfast love.
All people take refuge in the
shadow of your wings,
O God.
Psalm 36:7

Be strong and of good courage,
for the Lord your God is with you
wherever you go.
Joshua 1:9

The Lord is My Shepherd,
I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down
in green pastures;
He restores my soul . . .
surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the
days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the Lord forever.
Psalm 23

For thus says the Lord . . .
As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you.
Isaiah 66:13

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Lord

*make me an instrument
of your PEACE.*

*Where there is hatred,
let me sow LOVE.*

Where there is doubt,

FAITH

Where there is despair,

HOPE

Where there is darkness,

LIGHT

Where there is sadness,

JOY

Grant that I

may not so much seek

to be consoled,

as to CONSOLE;

to be understood,

as to UNDERSTAND;

to be loved,

as to LOVE.

For it is in GIVING

that I receive;

it is in PARDONING

that I am pardoned;

and it is in dying

that I am born to

ETERNAL LIFE.

Prayer in the Spirit of
St. Francis of Assisi

Request a Visit

Chaplains are a bridge of support along with one's usual spiritual resources. Ask a nurse to arrange a chaplain's visit or dial extension 2297 to leave a message. You may also dial "0" and ask the hospital operator to page the Chaplain.

If you are calling from outside the Medical Center, please call (610) 378-2000 and ask the hospital operator to page the Chaplain. If you care to leave a message for the Chaplain, you may call (610) 378-2297.

Your Clergy

Please let your pastor, rabbi or faith leader know that you are in St. Joseph Medical Center. The support of your worship community is very important.

If you would like us to notify them for you, please call extension 2297 or ask any chaplain.

Scripture

Each room contains a Bible. If one is needed, or other reading material is desired, leave a message by dialing extension 2297.

Spiritual and Emotional Support

Chaplains can be with you –
When you need someone to listen;
When you feel separated from family and friends;

When you feel you want someone to pray with you;

When you would like your church or synagogue notified;

When you feel grateful, blessed, or heard by God;

When you want the sacraments or – When you feel a Chaplain can be of support to you or your family.

Worship/Meditation

The Medical Center Chapel on the fifth floor (E-Building) is open daily for all as a place for your quiet reflection and prayer.

Catholic Mass is celebrated Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m., and on **Saturday at 3:30 PM (Vigil Mass).**

Various Denominational Services are televised on Sunday. Please consult a local TV schedule.