

Refer to NACC website <https://www.nacc.org/resources/coronavirus-resources/> New things are being posted daily, with many new resources that can be used in your changing ministry.

Refer to the CHA website <https://www.chausa.org/> for resources. New things are being posted daily. CHA website. – front page is a link to Corona Virus resources and Spiritual Care resources and a series of short podcasts.

Refer to the CHA Guidelines for Sacramental Celebrations in a Health Care Setting: https://www.chausa.org/docs/default-source/pastoral-care/guidelines-for-sacramental-celebrations-in-health-care-setting_jan2021.pdf?sfvrsn=4

Chaplaincy Innovative lab <https://chaplaincyinnovation.org/>

Prayers from USCCB: <http://usccb.org/about/communications/usccb-president-reflection-and-prayer-during-coronavirus.cfm>; www.usccb.org

NACC World Day of the Sick: <https://www.nacc.org/resources/spirituality-and-prayer-resources/world-day-of-the-sick/>

Addressing the Spiritual Needs in Pictures: <https://www.nacc.org/resources/specialty-care-resources/dementia/>

Welcome -

REFLECTION: Between Palm Sunday and the Resurrection – an in between time...

Please introduce yourself...

My jubilee year (60 years) before chaplaincy (40 years) I was a HS teacher

We're still masking, we are reinstating in Philadelphia. I work for Samaritan Hospice in S. Jersey. Here 16 years, just got recertified with NACC!

Dominican sister, spiritual care coordinator for 2 public hospitals.

Jesuit, minister at Seattle (WA) VA. Military chaplain

Direct SC in St. Cloud Minnesota.

Benedictine Oblate, a nun in the lay world, a retired chaplain looking to find a retired community where I can find a way to be a chaplain

Benedictine Catholic Eldercare with 37 campuses. Nursing home and assisted living

Vancouver Washington Hospice facility. Looking forward for my Certification renewal. Remember reduced CEUs

From Philippines, in Illinois, been part of different systems. Just renewed my certification!

Representing CHA, been here a few months. Support Mission and Mission leadership. Working with Erica from NACC. Also support well-being.

Lay chaplain at Northwestern, did residency

Calling from Nairobi, training as a chaplain, also offer pastoral counseling in the parish, issues of mental health, hospital volunteer for Palliative Care.

BCC and director of mission at a CHA hospital. Am the Catholic chaplain here. The hands and heart of Jesus on our healing ministry.

It is helpful to be here, during COVID. I will need to leave early to get to the cathedral.

In my 4th unit of CPE, at CHI in Omaha NE. Glad to be part of this group.

Also in Omaha, chaplain at UN Medical Center

Doing Pastoral Care for 4 parishes and at an 800 bed hospital.

Are there any updates about the synod or listening that NACC is doing – will send links for registration.

There are groups and follow-up.

The 2 hospitals where I am serving, we do not have a palliative unit. The administration would like to set this up. There is information on this. Has anyone set one up.

I was in on the beginning but did not set it up.

I am open to ideas.

I would like to know more about what NACC offers. Starting out in this ministry and trying to set up a pastoral care program for our parishes. We are developing a volunteer, so how do I prioritize. Trying to create infrastructure. Is this a normal process?

An intern was doing a project in parishes, I offered the model of Stephen Ministries (<https://www.stephenministries.org/default.cfm>). Trained peer members for the parish.

Also - <https://www.nacc.org/about-nacc/partners-in-pastoral-care/>

Presence of ministry in the church and the effect of the pandemic. The wounds of COVID have been experienced in many different ways. How is the church addressing this.

The effects of the Long Covid – How does this affect your ministry, are you working with those who are experiencing it.

It impacts people who are already vulnerable. What I see that there are existing issues that we were addressing that got pushed aside because of COVID – inequities, access, homelessness, inability to serve mentally ill homeless, depression, suicide.

There are many people who are really suffering, we are living with the horrible effects of COVID, our people are struggling, very poor, low income, large families, jobless. Where is the solution going to come from? How can we have sufficient chaplains to help with the pastoral care.

We do have positions open, not just chaplains, so it is putting strain on the recruiting and hiring processes.

In our earlier calls, people were being stretched, especially in home visits. Do you continue to feel that pressure.

I do solo in my ministry, I cannot keep this up, one person at a time over a 12 hour shift. This isn't going to work long term. I'm effective at what I do, I can't continue even with good self-care.

I'm impressed that you have the knowledge about yourself, that it's not sustainable. I did leave my facility because I couldn't. I thought I was bullet-proof, but I wasn't. I did learn a great deal about my capacity. My self-care wasn't enough. With my new take on life, it's easy to think about unmet needs, I have to constantly assess myself spiritually; where I am today and what is my capacity level? I cannot take on all the suffering. I was moved by the prayer about being in the in between place. I am looking forward to the joy of Easter, but there will be a return to the in between...

I came on that I wanted to share that I tried to venture out, sing with my group. I had a hard time. I want to embrace the things from before, but I'm not sure how. Are others having issues, self-care for the in-between.

Set of 3 Haikus – Our world gets small...

I'm not sure that it is safe to dip back into the world... Covid is not over.

Question what is my capacity.

It is very consoling to find it in music.

Drawing to a close, all pause to think about the in between time – what is your hope.

Peace, in action, joy, healing, hope, stillness, new life, being enough, love,

God of mystery and God who holds the darkness and light...In this Easter Season, that your spirit appears to us as we each need it.

Our World Gets Small

(Haiku style - but not strict syllable spacing)

Will I remember
When sight is gone, how one leaf
Trembled in the storm.

When hearing leaves
Will I still know that
Church bells ring each Sunday
morning.

When thoughts and words no
Longer come, will I recall
the names of those who
love me.

Joyce Johnson (Shared by Deborah Bradley BCC)