
Bringing Church to People and a sense of connectedness and belonging to the elderly and sick allows them to make a meaningful contribution to society.

Support for the homebound and hospitalized.

Visits to eldercare facilities.

Workshops on aging issues.



MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Pastoral Care ministers to the elderly and sick members of the community with dignity and respect, offering compassionate care and encouraging a sense of belonging and connection to the Body of Christ through Eucharist and the people of God.



Mary Terran, Director of Pastoral Care, collaborates with the South Pasadena Senior Center, Huntington Memorial Hospital and the Senior Care Network regarding senior workshops and advocacy issues.

Mary welcomes inquiries from anyone interested in volunteering and giving opportunities.

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

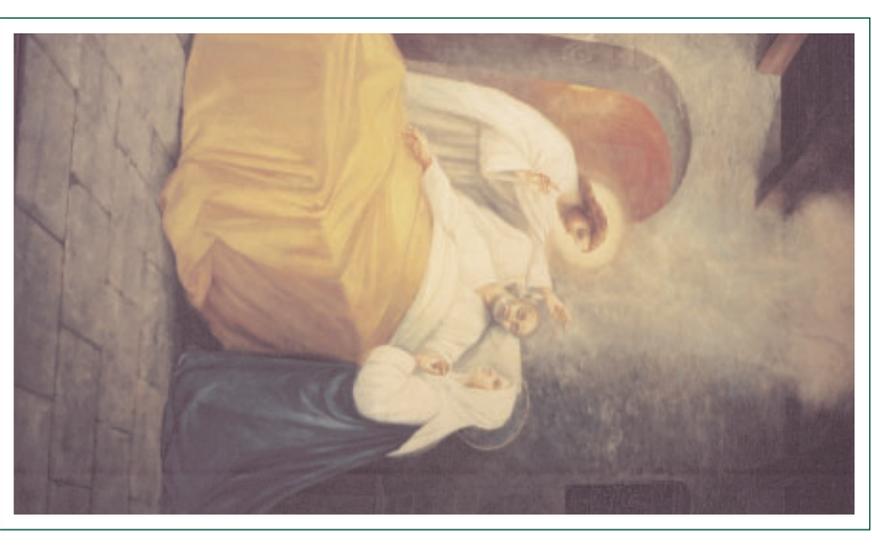
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Pastoral Care

MINISTRY TO THE ELDERLY AND SICK



**Bringing Church
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ABOUT PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care brings Church to people. It brings a sense of connection and belonging to the elderly and sick, allowing them to make a meaningful contribution to society. Over 100 volunteer Eucharistic Ministers and Friendly Visitors are assigned to the homebound and hospitalized who are interested in having regular visitors. In many cases, strong personal ties develop and the volunteer becomes an integral part of the person's support system – interacting with family and caregivers, running errands and providing transportation to the store, the hair salon, the pharmacy and to medical appointments. Senior citizens desire and cherish trusted companions who consistently visit and care about them.



WHAT WE DO

We take an intergenerational approach, stemming from the idea that “friendship is ageless.” Small groups of grade school students regularly visit local facilities. They participate in art programs and interact with the elderly. Students journal about the special relationships and experiences they share with their aging friends who happily pass down stories of their life wisdom with unconditional love. We coordinate hospital visits by students and volunteers, and send flowers and cards on behalf of the community. The lesson in this approach is that it is not in receiving, but in giving that we find the greatest joy. Here, we find the true meaning of Eucharist – gifts are reborn connecting the young and elderly.



SEMINARS

Pastoral Care offers seminars for senior citizens and their families throughout the year to discuss topics of importance, such as health and nutrition and financial planning. We want to recognize and cultivate the experiences of the elderly to discover and identify areas of concern for them.

