



Atshúiné
Rehabilitation
Cúram Cénaíthe
Residential
Comhphobail
Community

Department: - Chaplaincy & Pastoral Care

Spirituality and faith are an essential part of health and recovery and important for total patient care. Here, at Peamount, the Healthcare Chaplain provides spiritual, emotional, religious and pastoral support to residents, patients and their family, as well as to staff. Being bound by a Code of Ethics and also by the Standards of Professional Conduct, the Chaplain as part of the multi-disciplinary team assists in the person-centred care of the residents and patients with the aim of providing quality holistic care.

The Healthcare Chaplain respects the Spiritual practices of all denominations and culture. The Chaplain ministers to persons of all faiths and none. Specific religious needs of other denominations and faiths can be facilitated as required. Residents and patients in all areas will be visited by the Chaplain. All referrals will receive utmost attention. As appropriate to faith and culture, the Chaplain provides opportunities and resources for individual and corporate prayer and worship.

The Chaplain also has a role in the pastoral care and well-being of staff. Time and space are offered which is private and non-judgmental where you can talk and share freely. Pastoral care encompasses how we understand the world and our place in it and what meaning we give to the events in our lives. The Chaplain also facilitates staff and student education, engaging in activities that provides care for the carer. Meetings and group sessions are very confidential. The Chaplain works closely with the Day Services Manager in the development of service improvement and pathways.

Mass and services are carried out in St. Finian's Church – which is the only tin Church still in use in Ireland. Its doors are open from 9am – 4pm daily and everyone is welcome for prayer and reflection. All services are streamed from the Church to the patient's room on TV channel 9. There is Mass / Service every Wednesday at 11am, and communion is distributed afterwards to residents and patients.

Volunteers are an important aspect of our service and are greatly appreciated as they provide support in many areas such as Church cleaning, singing, provision of materials for service, distribution of communion, etc.