**Prayer for Spiritual Care Week**

Every day across the Catholic health ministry, chaplains serve patients, residents and their co-workers. With loving compassion and tender strength, they hold space for the sacred and make meaning in a world of chaos.

This week, we honor them with our profound gratitude and call the abundance of God’s blessings upon these ministers of grace. They are the hands and feet and heart of Christ in our midst.

**Scripture tells us ...**
*And from his fullness, we have all received grace upon grace.* John 1:16

We pray that each spiritual care provider and chaplain continue to feel the grace of God in their ministry. May their skill, care, and wisdom be God’s grace poured out. Amen.

**Scripture tells us ...**
*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.* Matthew 5:8

We pray that chaplains and spiritual care providers continue to see God in the faces of those they serve. May their hearts remain joyful in God’s promises and at peace in God’s providence. Amen.

**Scripture tells us ...***For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.* Jeremiah 29:11

We pray that spiritual care providers and chaplains are renewed in hope. May the flame of their faith in human goodness and witness to a future of promise burn brightly in spite of the darkness of pandemic care, social injustice and cultural division. Amen.

**Scripture tells us ...***The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace.* Psalm 29:11

We pray that chaplains and spiritual care providers continue to feel God’s power and steadfast presence in their ministry. May they always find refuge in their weariness and renewed strength in God’s peace. Amen.

**Scripture tells us ...***And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.* [Philippians 1:6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Philippians+1%3A6&version=ESV)

We pray in gratitude for chaplains and those who provide spiritual care. May they know themselves to be a part of a ministry that has existed before them and will outlast them. May that knowledge allow them to do the good work of their vocation with full hearts and unfettered spirits. Amen.