

Ministry Mission Statement

The Caregivers Support Ministry mission is to provide and serve our St. Joseph parish family Caregivers **the help they need** in caring for their loved one.

This ministry was established for you – the caregiver who has asked God for help.

We offer a variety of services to prevent Caregiver BURNOUT and offer a lot of resource information to those in need.

If you are a Caregiver, you know that caregiving can become a heavy burden, but you don't have to walk the journey alone.

All our services are offered for free and are provided by volunteers from the parish who are required to register and have been cleared through the Baltimore Archdiocese VIRTUS training and compliance program.



Caregivers Support Services



Our ministry services are available
To our Parish Family

If you are a caregiver, you know that care giving is rewarding, but can also be a heavy burden and you've prayed for help.

The good news is God heard your prayers and you don't have to walk the journey alone. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have some other broad shoulders and warm hearts to help you carry the burden as a caregiver?

We have designed a special parish ministry of trusted church volunteers willing to assist parish families with caring for their loved ones so you can take some time for yourself.

St. Joseph Parish and the Archdiocese of Baltimore have a commitment to maintaining the trust of the faithful. Our Care Support volunteers are required to complete the VIRTUS volunteer training.

No Fee for Our Services!

A Caring Ministry

All of our services are offered to our Parish families at **no cost**.

We have served over 50 individuals in the parish to fill the Caregiver's needs, many of which have responded with "thank you notes".

We have both male and female volunteers. Some serve as home visitors and some as phone visitors.

Services Offered

- ♥ Up to 4 hours Respite Care while the Caregiver takes time for themselves. (Exceptions depending on the care needed.)
- ♥ Home Visits to the Caregivers and their loved one.
- ♥ Home visits to the elderly living alone.
- ♥ Telephone visits to those in need of some conversation.
- ♥ Meals if and when in need.
- ♥ Rides to local doctor appointments
- ♥ Shopping and pharmacy pick-ups.

~ Prayer Requests ~

We have a bi-weekly Prayer List which you can access by calling Patty Hurn at 443-756-0711 or email pattyhurn@gmail.com or mum100@aol.com if you would like to put someone on the Prayer List. List goes out the 15th and 30th each month.

TO USE OUR SERVICES,
CALL JUDY SPRINGER @ 410-529-2540
or email jspringer9210@gmail.com

Together Supporting Our Parishioners

Sewing Guild/Prayer Shawl Ministry

Is a very special part of our Ministry and we thank them for making and donating their Blessed Prayer Shawls, Lap Blankets, Walker Bags, Bibs and special items throughout the year to be delivered during our visits.

Please support them in their Ministry also by donations of yarn and material or by a monetary donation to help them pay for some of their sewing needs.



Rosary Guild Ministry

Is another very special part of our Ministry and we thank them for allowing us to deliver blessed rosaries during our visits in our community.

If you would like to support the Rosary Guild Ministry, they will gratefully accept donations of Zip-lock gallon & sandwich bags as well as monetary donations to purchase rosary supplies.



Pastoral Ministries

Call the Parish Office 410-256-1630 to schedule a Pastoral Minister to deliver the Eucharist or to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation with one of our Priest.



Are you a Caregiver?

Self-identification as a caregiver is an essential first step towards overcoming the overwhelming responsibilities your role entails. Are you caring for a loved one who belongs to one of the categories below?

- ♦ People with disabilities
- ♦ People with mental illness
- ♦ People who are chronically ill (e.g. diabetes, renal failure)
- ♦ Older persons who have difficulty coping with daily living
- ♦ People who are terminally ill or suffering from life limiting illnesses

If your answer is 'Yes' to any of the above, that makes you a caregiver.

Caregiving involves time, commitment and sacrifice. While the role as a caregiver seems intimidating, you are not alone and there is always help and support available to walk you through the journey.

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St. Joseph Fullerton Parish

Caregivers' Support Ministry

Serving Our Parish Caregivers



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