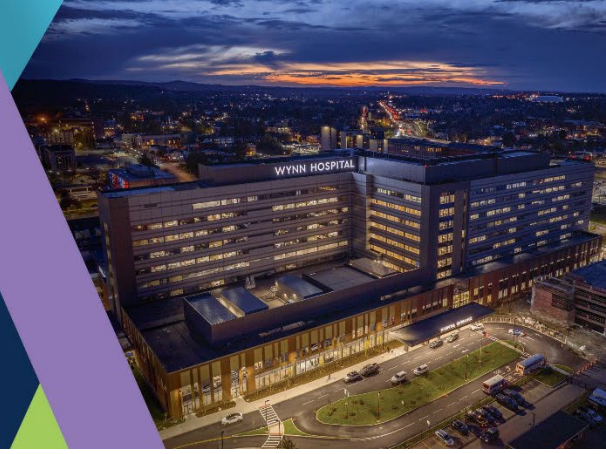


Just the Facts

— MVHS & WYNN HOSPITAL

There's so much happening in healthcare in our region – at times it's hard to stay updated! That's why Just the Facts is being reinvigorated. This weekly publication, published on Tuesdays, will provide you with the latest information about MVHS and the Wynn Hospital!



TOPIC FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025:

Department Spotlight: Spiritual Care and the Sanctuary

Patients, their loved ones and staff who care for them have spiritual needs and benefit by expressing their thoughts, feeling and concerns. The Sanctuary at Wynn Hospital is open 24 hours a day for personal prayer and meditation. Prayer requests can be left in the chapel at any time. Our Spiritual Care team is collecting them, offering special prayers every morning for all intentions requested in the Sanctuary.

What does the team from Spiritual Care do?

The Spiritual Care mission is to conduct religious support in a diverse and pluralistic environment sensitive to different religious traditions with respect to individual religious liberty. They deliver exemplary spiritual care to our patients, their families and the staff by providing hope, compassion and understanding with respect to each personal faith tradition, or lack thereof.

The Pastoral Care department provides spiritual and religious needs through the planning and execution of pastoral care and counselling, worship opportunities, sacramental rites and ordinances, patient visitation, on call duty, religious education and family enrichment.

Where is the Sanctuary located?

The Sanctuary is located on the first floor of the Wynn Hospital between the main entrance and Emergency Department.

The Sanctuary is nearing completion of a project to install a state-of-the-art projection screen that provides an immersive, spiritual experience for a wide variety of religions. A church setting and nature scene are available currently, with more to be added. Click [here](#) to see what it looks like.



What is a typical day like in Spiritual Care?

- The chaplain leader gathers and evaluates relevant information regarding the care recipient's spiritual, religious, emotional and relational needs. Typically, the leader provides a patient list, prioritizing those admitted in the last 24 hours.
- Next, the Spiritual Care team prays together in the Sanctuary for the patients they will go to see and they read all petitions left for by families on a prayer petition form.
- Chaplains and volunteers visit patients daily, providing spiritual needs for care recipients.
- They collaborate with other care providers and adhere to the MVHS Code of Ethics, in accordance with all regulations and rules.
- They respect the confidentiality of information from all sources.
- They keep a record of all visits performed every day with a short indication of type care given to the recipients.

The Sanctuary – 2024

In 2024, the Sanctuary saw:

- 12,077 Visits
- 4,174 Family visits
- 3,029 Communion
- 961 Anointings
- 34 Confessions
- Five Baptisms
- One Wedding

Always on duty

The Pastoral Care team responds to all calls from the Wynn Hospital 24/7, including during sensitive moments for patients and their families, offering prayers, sacraments or presence, providing sensitive care regardless of diverse abilities, beliefs, cultures or identities. They also contact pastors, ministers or other religious leaders if requested.

Weekly Service

The Sanctuary holds a Sunday Mass each Sunday starting at 7 a.m. All are welcome!

