

# Pastoral Care Services

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WOMEN AND NEWBORN HEALTH SERVICE

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God be with the Mother,  
As she carries her child  
may she carry her soul.  
As her child was born,  
may she give birth and life  
and form her own higher truth.

As she nourished and protected her child,  
may she nourish and protect her inner life  
and her independence.

For her soul shall be her most painful birth,  
her most difficult child  
and the dearest sister to her other children.

**Michael Leunig**

*A Common Prayer:  
A Cartoonist Talks to God*  
Harper Collins, Australia 1990

Your pastoral care representative is:

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Pager: .....



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## Welcome

Being in hospital can be a stressful experience and we hope that you will feel well cared for during your stay at King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH).

## Pastoral Care Services

Chaplains and pastoral care representatives are an integral part of the holistic health care at KEMH.

We offer a compassionate, professional, spiritual and confidential ministry to all patients, family (including support people) and staff.

All pastoral care representatives are professionally trained and hospital-accredited.

We are available to listen, support and help you to reflect on what is happening, to offer the church's ministry and resources, and to offer spiritual guidance or counselling.

We also provide:

- opportunities for worship
- individual or chapel sacramental ministry
- life transitional rituals
- opportunities for reflection and prayer.

If you have a particular religious tradition, we will, whenever possible, link you with the appropriate team member.

We can also contact representatives of your faith or your own spiritual representative for you if required.

You do not have to be a churchgoer or have any religious affiliation to receive pastoral or spiritual support.

## Ward visits

In many cases initial contact will be through referral, however pastoral care representatives may visit you or can be requested.

Visits by other authorised denominational visitors take place on a weekly basis.

Bedside Holy Communion in both the Anglican and Roman Catholic traditions is available upon request.

## To make contact

- Phone extension 1036 or 1726 on your bedside telephone
- Ask the nursing staff or ward clerk
- Ask the KEMH main reception desk at the Bagot Road entrance

## Emergencies

A chaplain is on call after-hours and on weekends and public holidays for immediate and urgent needs. Please ask your nursing staff to contact them for you.

## Chapel services

### Friday noon

A service of Holy Communion is celebrated in the Anglican tradition to which all are welcome.

### Other services

Seasonal services such as at Christmas or Easter and services for special events or life transitional situations are offered as required.

## Location

The chapel is located on the first floor directly above the main hospital entrance on Bagot Road.

## Quiet room

The chapel and adjoining quiet room are open during daylight hours and you are welcome to use either of these. After-hours they can be accessed through Security by telephoning extension 1408 or 6101. The chapel and quiet room are places set apart where you can sit, read, reflect or pray.

## Prayer requests

You are invited to make use of the Chapel Prayer Request Book - your needs will be remembered in services and by the Pastoral Care Services team.