

Who is offering spiritual direction to faculty, staff, and students of Loyola University Chicago Health Sciences Campus?

Dr. David Cook is formerly Fellow and Chaplain in Green College Oxford and first Professor of Faith and Learning, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois. David, a Scottish Baptist, taught medical ethics, theology, philosophy, and ethics training to those with vocations in medicine, social work, teaching, and ministry. He has been trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Fr. David De Marco, S.J., M.D., is a Jesuit priest, a physician, and a spiritual director, serving as Assistant Professor of Medicine, Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine. He serves as a faculty preceptor for the Internal Medicine Residency Program, Loyola University Health System, and as a facilitator for the Patient Center Medicine courses. Before coming to Loyola University Chicago, Dave served in Jesuit spiritual formation and as a physician and pastoral minister in the Oglala Lakota Nation, South Dakota. He has been trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Julie DeMareo is a Chaplain at the Health Sciences Campus University Ministry office. She grew up in a Roman Catholic family outside of Philadelphia. Julie's participation in a year of postgrad service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps in Los Angeles ignited her passion for supporting Catholic education. She taught theology and directed campus ministry programs at an Archdiocesan high school in Washington, D.C. for several years before completing a Master of Divinity from the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. While at BC, she participated in a yearlong Spiritual Direction practicum rooted in the Ignatian tradition. She also supported the Multi-Faith Ministry Program to support undergraduate students of all faith traditions. Julie lives with her husband in Oak Park.

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Ms. Diana Durkin has her MA in Religious Studies from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook, PA and is a NACC Board Certified Chaplain. As a resource for the Health Sciences Ministry Chaplain Mentor Program and the Stritch School of Medicine Physicians Vocation Program, Diana is an avid supporter of the spiritual needs of students. Diana has been trained in the Ignatian tradition of Spiritual Direction. In addition, she is an accredited teacher of T'ai Chi Chih® - a moving meditation practice - and is also trained as a Labyrinth Facilitator through Veriditas® focusing on the contemplative nature of these meditation practices.

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Ms. Ann Hillman is a Chaplain for the Health Sciences Campus University Ministry. She has grown up and been formed in the Roman Catholic tradition, and has spent time in both Catholic and Protestant communities. She received her Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University Chicago and is currently completing her Master of Divinity. Her professional ministry settings have included work in congregational and higher education contexts, with a variety of experiences in retreats, contemplative spirituality and mindfulness, young adult ministry, spiritual care for persons with HIV/AIDS, and social justice advocacy. Ann is trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Dr. Mark Kuczewski is a professor of medical ethics and directs the Neiswanger Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy. He is a philosopher by training and completed the Spiritual Exercises (19th annotation, aka Retreat in Daily Life) under the direction of Fr. Jack O'Callaghan, S.J. He is also well versed in 12 Step Spirituality. Mark has been trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction, and while he self-professes to be “pretty green” at spiritual directing, if you're willing to talk, he'd love to be a gentle, reflective listener.

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Ms. Ginny McCarthy is Director of University Ministry, Loyola University Chicago Health Sciences Campus. She has a Master of Divinity from Weston Jesuit School of Theology (now the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry). Ginny recently completed her Master of Public Health at Loyola. Her areas of interest include contextual and experiential learning, gun violence, immigration, global health and the role of reflection in education. In her free time, Ginny enjoys spending time with her husband and children, discovering new recipes, or running. She is a practicing Roman Catholic and a spiritual director trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Dr. Cathlin Poronsky is an Associate Professor and senior faculty member in the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing. She served as Director of the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program for 8 years and as the Interim Director of the Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Programs 2018-2019. Her teaching has been primarily at the graduate level with master's and doctoral students; she is currently teaching an elective course in Medical Terminology for undergraduate students. Her service has included co-leading service immersion trips to Lourdes, France for baccalaureate nursing students in 2016, 2017 and 2018. Her faith tradition is Roman Catholic. She is actively engaged in her parish faith community and serves in several parish ministries. Cathie is trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Dr. Katherine Wasson is Associate Professor in the Neiswanger Institute of Bioethics and Department of Medical Education, Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine. She has taught a wide range of students and healthcare professions and also conducts clinical ethics consultations in the hospital. She is a Protestant Christian with personal experience in the Missionary, Episcopal, and Lutheran traditions. Katie has been trained in the Ignatian tradition of spiritual direction.

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Dr. Charles L. Webber, Jr. is Professor Emeritus Cell and Molecular Physiology, Loyola University Chicago, and abides in the Protestant Faith Tradition with Methodist roots. He has certificates in: Spiritual Formation (Transforming Center, Wheaton, IL 2009-2011); Spiritual Direction (Chiara Center, Springfield IL 2013-2015), Ignatian Spiritual Exercises Nineteenth Annotation (Loyola University Chicago 2016-2017); Enneagram Spectrum Training (International Enneagram Association 2017); Harmony Enneagram Triads (Crossroads Church, Marshall, MI 2018). He is a member of the Evangelical Spiritual Directors Association (ESDA), Spiritual Directors International (SDI), Transforming Center Spiritual Directors (TCSA), and is an ordained Christian minister by the National Association of Christian ministers.

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