

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
PASTORAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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SUBJECT/TITLE: EUCHARISTIC MINISTER VISITATIONS

POLICY: Eucharistic Ministers will be allowed to come to Olive View-UCLA Medical Center inpatient units (4A, 4D, 4BN, 4BS, 5A, 5C and 5D) from St. Didacus Church on Sunday mornings to provide Holy Communion to interested patients.

PURPOSE: In keeping with hospital policies, we are instituting new procedures regarding Eucharistic Minister visitations for Olive View patients.

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DEFINITION:

PROCEDURE

1. Sundays before 9:00 a.m., Eucharistic Minister checks in at the Administrative Nursing Office (ANO) and picks up temporary badge labeled as Eucharistic Minister Temporary Visitor.
*A list of St. Didacus Eucharistic Ministers is kept at the ANO.
2. Eucharistic Minister proceeds to assigned unit station and informs unit clerk or charge nurse of presence and intent to administer Holy Communion; unit clerk or charge nurse provide Catholic patient roster to Eucharistic Minister.
3. Eucharistic Minister identifies patients on roster and if patients are interested administers Holy Communion.
4. Eucharistic Minister informs unit clerk or charge nurse when the administration of Holy Communion has ended and returns Catholic patient roster for proper disposal.
5. Eucharistic Minister proceeds to the ANO and returns temporary badge

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