April is one of our favorite months here at St. Camillus! Our Holy Week services create an open sacred space to come together and share our faith with our neighbors and hospital community at LAC + USC Medical Care Center. Holy Thursday is one of those days where the chaplains serve as mass ministers and in the end of service, they wash the hands of all who are present. It is a long time tradition at St. Camillus that we look forward to doing every year. Serving others is our calling!

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On this Easter morning, let us look again at the lives we have been so generously given and let us let fall away the useless baggage that we carry -- old pains, old habits, old ways of seeing and feeling -- and let us have the courage to begin again. Life is very short, and we are no sooner here than it is time to depart again, and we should use to the full the time that we still have.

We don't realize all the good we can do. A kind, encouraging word or helping hand can bring many a person through dark valleys in their lives. We weren't put here to make money or to acquire status or reputation. We were sent here to search for the light of Easter in our hearts, and when we find it we are meant to give it away generously.

May the spirit and light of this Easter morning -- bless us all, watch over us and protect us on our journey, open us from the darkness into the light of peace and hope and transfiguration.

- John O'Donohue
AIN had a special delivery from S.T.R.I.D.E Community Service Inc. this month! Dr. Neely and his team stopped by our office with highly requested hygiene kits and warm blankets. These useful items will go directly to the unhoused patients we encounter at LAC + USC Medical Care Center.

Thank you S.T.R.I.D.E Community for your kind donation. If you are interested in donating please contact us at 323-225-4461 ext: 111

19TH ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! In the spirit of resurrection, on St. Camillus hosted their 19th Awards Luncheon at San Antonio Winery in Los Angeles. It was an afternoon full of wonderful music, food, raffles, and most important community.

Our honorees this year were people who make our communities stronger by walking with those in need of company and guidance. It was a blessing to have awarded Catholic Cemeteries & Mortuaries, Doreen Rivera, Msgr. Lloyd Torgerson, Msgr. Clement Connolly, Jane & Phil Argento, Bishop David O’Connell, and Rev. Nancy Moore.

Thank you to all who participated and supported our event. All funds raised go directly to our chaplaincy program. We are still open for donations, please visit our website. Blessings!

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