

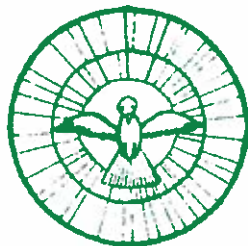
## THE UPPER ROOM ADMINISTRATION

THE UPPER ROOM is a national crisis hotline serving the needs of Priests, Deacons and Men Religious. It is a Private, Not-For-Profit Corporation registered in the State of Illinois.

A Board of Directors consisting of Priests, Men and Women Religious, and select laypersons interested in promoting the goals of the hotline governs THE UPPER ROOM.

Sr. Mary Frances Seeley, Ph.D., who founded the hotline, has extensive national and international experience in hotline administration and maintenance, and conducts the day-to-day tasks of administration.

All volunteers are prepared for services on the line by a 60+ hour course in normal/abnormal psychology, role playing, personal screening and interview before assuming responsibilities on the line.



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## THE UPPER ROOM CRISIS HOTLINE



### OUR BELIEFS

THE UPPER ROOM CRISIS HOTLINE is the expression of God's unconditional love for those called to the ministry of Jesus.

The name, THE UPPER ROOM, was selected to memorialize the place where the Apostles gathered for mutual support and prayers after the Resurrection. It was also the place where Jesus instituted the Eucharist and Holy Orders.

It is fitting then, that THE UPPER ROOM be a place where brothers and sisters can meet to exchange confidences, to pray, and to mutually support one another in our daily ministry.

*A Unique, Comprehensive  
Hotline System.*

**1-888-808-8724**

## OUR SERVICES

THE UPPER ROOM offers unique services that are not currently available to Priests, Deacons and Brothers at this time. Our services include skilled listening, para-professional counseling, information and referral, suicide prevention and crisis intervention. Reassurance calls will be made to the elderly Clergy and Religious who either live alone or need companionship during the day or night.

THE UPPER ROOM is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, staffed by trained volunteers among Roman Catholic Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and select Laity.

Through these services, THE UPPER ROOM desires to contribute to the spiritual development of the Diocesan Clergy and members of Religious Institutes of Men in the United States, while supporting their physical, emotional, and mental health needs.

## WE MEET HUMAN NEEDS

THE UPPER ROOM offers the following unique services:

- ❖ Compassionate listening
- ❖ Networking with agencies to serve the person in need
- ❖ Saving lives through crisis intervention services
- ❖ Being a supportive friend to the elderly
- ❖ Follow-up services when needed or appropriate

### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of THE UPPER ROOM CRISIS HOTLINE is to provide 24/7/365 telephone hotline services for Roman Catholic Priests, Deacons and vowed Religious Brothers. The services provided are counseling, information and referral, suicide prevention/crisis intervention and reassurance calls to the elderly.

## WE OFFER SUPPORT, SAFETY AND NETWORKING FOR:

- ✿ Religious Life
  - ✿ Reassurance Calls
  - ✿ Counseling
  - ✿ Depression
  - ✿ Alcohol
- ✿ Drugs
- ✿ Employees
  - ✿ Family
- ✿ Financial
- ✿ Friends
- ✿ Housing
  - ✿ Transportation
  - ✿ Job/Employment
  - ✿ Legal
- ✿ Loneliness/Isolation
- ✿ Medical
- ✿ Parishioners
  - ✿ Relationships
  - ✿ Sexuality
- ✿ Spiritual Discernment
- ✿ Suicide Attempt/Info
- ✿ Inculturation of Foreign Priests
- ✿ Other