



Very sad news to share

We got to know this beautiful, Birkenstock wearing, amazing, loving spirit at OLA in 1991.

Ordained a Catholic priest in 1983, Fr. Chris served as an associate pastor for 10 yrs and dedicated more than 30 yrs to this ministry.

Fr. Chris Ponnet was chaplain and pastor at the St. Camillus Center in Los Angeles. He served as the administrator of the St. Camillus Urban Interfaith Chaplaincy Clinical Pastoral Education program (an ACPE-accredited school for training professional chaplains) based at LAC + USC Medical Center.

At St. Camillus, he hosted @paxchristiusa peace and justice movements and supported other pastoral care initiatives, including LGBTQ ministry, serving as spiritual director and Archdiocesan Liaison.

His is a legacy of compassion and love for all our brothers and sisters will live on in all the hearts he touched.

And I know Fr. Chris is embraced in the arms of our Lord, but I am still heartbroken for all of us left behind here without his leadership, love and compassion to work for all our brothers & sisters in need.



Rest in Love & Peace, Fr. Chris

“May the choirs of angels come to greet you. May they speed you to paradise. May the Lord enfold you in his mercy. May you find eternal life. Give rest to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.”

Fr. Chris Ponnet