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# ANNUAL REPORT

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## Reflection from a Former Resident

When I look back on my time at Saint John Vianney, the words *“Give your broken heart to God”* echo deeply within me. Saint John’s became a true mediator between God and me, guiding me toward a healthier, holier, and more hopeful life. It helped mend the brokenness of both my past and present, and gave me the tools to step into the future with renewed confidence and fresh eyes.

What makes Saint John’s extraordinary is the way it surrounds each person with **love, hope, compassion, support, growth, and community**, the very things that often feel lost in the brokenness. These gifts are lived out daily through the dedication of the doctors and staff, whose presence reflects God’s care in every interaction.

As the walls began to come down and the healing process unfolded, I could feel God’s hand guiding me through group sessions, individual work, and the rhythm of daily classes. Every resident arrives with different circumstances, but no matter the reason for coming, each of us is met with compassion and support. That support grows into a community where we are never judged, but gently called to accountability, another sign of God’s presence on this journey.

Each day, we were reminded that **hope will prevail through honesty, hard work, growth, and the skills we gained**. Saint John’s helped me remember that I am loved, and that God speaks into our lives the same words He once spoke long ago:

*“Your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.” Mark 5:34*

— Former Resident

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As Saint John Vianney Center marks 80 years of service, I am grateful for the principles of enduring mission that continue to guide our work and the people who make it possible. For eight decades, SJVC has been a trusted place of care for Clergy and Religious, offering professional, compassionate support so they may continue serving the Church in health and wholeness.

**T**his past year reflected both continuity and growth. Our programs and outreach evolved to meet the changing needs of dioceses and religious communities, while our staff remained deeply committed to care that honors the whole person: mind, body, and spirit. Their dedication is the foundation of all that we accomplish.

**On behalf of the Board of Directors, I extend sincere thanks to our donors and partners.** Your generosity strengthens this ministry and ensures that those who serve the Church are never alone when they need care and support.

As we celebrate this milestone year, I invite you to continue walking with us in this mission. Together, we can ensure that Saint John Vianney Center remains a place of healing, accompaniment, and faithful service for generations to come.



Albert R. Riviezzo, Esquire  
Board Chair





Dear Friends,

As we publish this Annual Report, Saint John Vianney Center (SJVC) celebrates 80 years as a beacon of hope and healing within the Church. I am deeply grateful to all who make this mission possible. Over the decades, SJVC has grown into a vital resource for Clergy and Men and Women Religious, continually adapting to meet the ever-changing needs of those we serve.

This past year has been marked by meaningful growth and expansion. With the generosity of our donors, we launched a national Suicide Prevention and Awareness Program for Clergy and Religious, delivering crucial training and resources to dioceses and religious communities nationwide. This initiative addresses the urgent need for practical guidance and compassionate support for Church leaders navigating mental health challenges within their communities.

We also strengthened our global outreach by hosting the International Conference for Clergy Leadership in Ireland. This gathering united bishops and clergy leaders from multiple countries to exchange strategies and insights for supporting priests in today's complex pastoral landscape.

Closer to home, the dedication of our new Annex marks a significant milestone for the Center. This addition enables us to grow our mission and ministry and offers a welcoming space for residents and staff to gather for formation, support, and community.

None of this progress would be possible without the extraordinary generosity of our donors, the dedication of our Board of Directors, and the unwavering commitment of our staff. Above all, it is sustained by those who believe that the Church must care for those who serve it.

Every story of healing in these pages testifies to the transformation possible when faith, professional expertise, and compassionate support unite. Because of your generosity, priests, sisters, and brothers who arrive burdened by discouragement or suffering find hope again and return to their ministries renewed.

Thank you for walking alongside us in our mission.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Shellenberger". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

**David Shellenberger, RN, BSN**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**

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# SJVC: A Place of Healing

## Reflection from a Former Resident

After a restless first day and night at Saint John Vianney Center, I woke up the next morning asking to go home. Looking back now, it is hard to believe how much has changed since that moment. When I was discharged after six months of inpatient treatment, I could not have imagined how profoundly my life and ministry had been transformed or how that change would continue to unfold. Returning for my Wellness Check six months later only confirmed the lasting impact of my time at SJVC.

**I was overwhelmed by the warmth of the welcome I received at a place that now truly felt like home.**

One of the most important lessons I learned at SJVC, especially through our daily large-group meetings, is that everyone carries a story. When we take the time to understand one another's stories, we grow in our capacity to support and love each other well. Today, in parish life, I approach every person with a deeper sense of empathy. I am also far more aware of my own struggles and the importance of ongoing support. I am deeply grateful for the many ways I continue to receive that support each day. Once again, I am happy, healthy, and fully present in my priesthood.

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**That simple act spoke volumes. It reflects the loving, attentive care that residents receive at SJVC every single day.**

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**T**here are too many memories to capture here, but one moment will always stand out. During my stay, Downingtown experienced one of its frequent power outages. Without electricity, the magnetic doors could not remain open as usual. One member of the maintenance staff quietly stationed himself at the residence hall door for the entire afternoon because a resident who was visually impaired would not be able to tell that the door was closed. He stayed there knowing that this resident would be coming and going throughout the day. That simple act spoke volumes. It reflects the loving, attentive care that residents receive at SJVC every single day.

**Perhaps the greatest gift I received was the friendships formed during my time there.**

I never expected to make friends at SJVC, much less to experience such deep and unconditional love. Those relationships continue to sustain me today. I am profoundly grateful for the support of my diocese and for donors like you. Your generosity, combined with the extraordinary compassion and dedication of the staff at Saint John Vianney Center, changed me in every way.

# Our History



*80 Years of  
Hope & Healing*  
for Clergy and Religious

Founded in 1946, Saint John Vianney Center (SJVC) is the longest-running, Catholic behavioral health and addictions treatment and resource center in North America for Clergy and Religious. Internationally recognized, SJVC provides residential treatment, outpatient assessment, counseling, psychotherapy, spiritual direction, prevention, and education programs for healthy living in mind, body, and spirit.

The Center began with the purchase of the 175-acre McIlvaine Estate in Downingtown, Pennsylvania, at the request of Monsignor William Kavanaugh and Dennis Cardinal Dougherty of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The former family home, converted into a private hospital, was placed under the patronage of Saint John Vianney, the humble Curé d'Ars, renowned for his devotion to reconciliation and pastoral care.

SJVC's programs expanded over the decades. Individual Psychotherapy began in 1974, followed by spirituality groups, music and art therapy, and outpatient assessment and treatment services. The Center first received Joint Commission accreditation in 1989 and continues to maintain full accreditation and state licensure.

In the mid-1990s, SJVC transitioned from a medical model to a residential therapeutic milieu. A four-tier continuum of care was introduced in 2000, followed by the development of the Complex Extended Stay program for individuals with chronic behavioral health needs. Since 2009, the Consultation, Education, and Outreach Department has provided prevention-focused workshops.



In 2012, SJVC launched its Co-Occurring Disorder program, now the Holistic Recovery Program, complemented by a comprehensive continuing care and aftercare network. In 2020, SJVC became an independent nonprofit governed by its Board of Directors. In 2024, SJVC became bi-coastal with a West Coast partnership.

**SJVC expanded its footprint in 2025 with a new Annex building. Today, SJVC proudly commemorates 80 Years of Hope and Healing for those who serve the Church.**



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**SJVC provides professional programs and services, spiritual experiences, and 24/7 nursing supervision to assist Clergy and Religious in living a healthy lifestyle in mind, body, and spirit.**

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## Mission

Saint John Vianney Center shepherds our brothers and sisters in Church ministry to be healthy in mind, body, and spirit. We bridge deep tradition with best practices in a spirit of faith, integrity, and respect for all.

## Vision

Saint John Vianney Center strives to be the most valued resource in the world for providing excellence in clinical care and education in service to a healthy future for our brothers and sisters in Church ministry.

## Core Values

- Integrity
- Gospel Values
- Respect
- Trust
- Compassion
- Authenticity
- Hope
- Accountability

# Suicide Prevention and Awareness Program Launches for Clergy and Religious

Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of donors to the Good Shepherd Campaign, Saint John Vianney Center (SJVC) has launched a national Suicide Prevention and Awareness Program for Clergy and Men and Women Religious. With more than \$500,000 raised, the campaign exceeded its goal and secured the resources needed to hire a dedicated program manager, develop comprehensive training materials, and implement a sustained, multi-year outreach effort across the country.

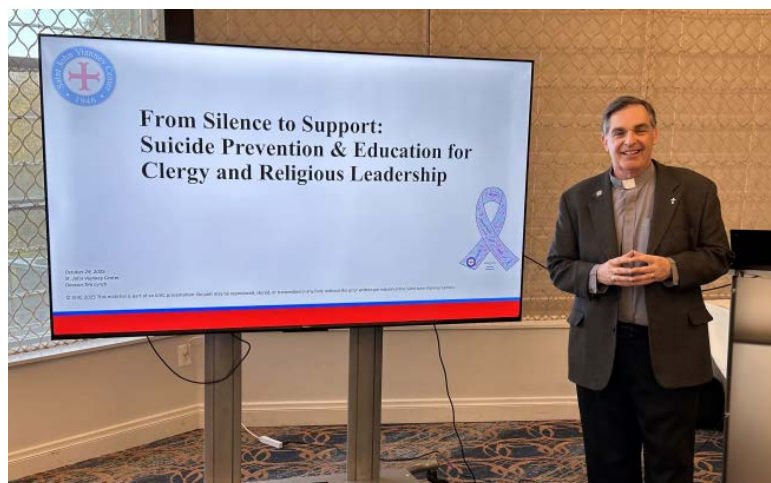


**B**eginning in the fall of 2025, Saint John Vianney Center began offering this program to dioceses, eparchies, and religious communities nationwide. The sessions focus on identifying suicide risk factors and warning signs, as well as compassionate and evidence-based responses. Grounded in Church teaching, this program integrates instructional content with experiential learning to demonstrate proper pastoral care, practical accompaniment, and postvention support following a death.

The program is led by Deacon Tim Lynch, MS, a psychotherapist and a certified traumatologist with advanced training in suicide prevention, safety planning, and crisis intervention. Deacon Tim brings a unique blend of pastoral sensitivity and clinical expertise. He joined SJVC in April 2025 to guide the program's development and national rollout.



**T**his initiative was created in direct response to sobering findings from SJVC's 2022 national survey of dioceses and religious institutes. Forty-one percent of dioceses reported the suicide of a member of the clergy. Among religious communities, 23 percent of men's communities and 10 percent of women's communities reported the same. More than half of Church leaders surveyed acknowledged feeling unprepared to respond to such crises, while 74 percent expressed a strong desire for practical training and guidance.



Participants learn how to respond attentively, communicate with honesty and care, and provide informed, life-affirming support. The vision is both simple and urgent: to give Church leaders confidence, language, and tools needed to accompany those who are hurting. Because of the faithful support of donors through the Good Shepherd Campaign, Saint John Vianney Center provides training, consultation, and follow-up services so that clergy and religious may encounter hope, healing, and renewed faith when it matters most.



# International Conference for Clergy Leadership Ireland, January 2025

In January 2025, Saint John Vianney Center held an International Conference for Clergy Leadership on Ireland's east coast. More than fifty participants came from Ireland, England, Wales, and the United States. The conference was attended by bishops, vicars for clergy, vicars general, and directors of ongoing formation, all of whom are leaders who support priests in today's challenging pastoral environment.

The conference was built on SJVC's fifteen years of regional Vicars for Clergy conferences and its monthly Zoom support meetings. This gathering allowed the participants, who often work in isolation, to share ideas, build community, and support each other. Topics included self-care for leaders, creating practical wellness plans for priests, supporting intercultural ministry, responding with care when priests face mental health or ministry challenges, and encouraging shared responsibility among bishops, vicars, priests, and laypeople.

Daily prayer anchored the week and gave the gathering its pastoral heart. Participants joined the local parish community in Malahide for Morning Prayer and Mass, offering a quiet public witness of unity and hope. These liturgies renewed participants and affirmed parishioners and visitors. During the week, Archbishop Dermot Farrell preached at St. Sylvester's Church, underscoring the Church's shared mission across nations, cultures, and generations.



The Irish context lent particular urgency to the conversations. Ireland's transition to a single national seminary and an aging presbyterate, echo the realities of dioceses worldwide. These challenges intensify the familiar pressure of "doing more with less," especially for those responsible for clergy care and formation. Even so, the tone of the conference remained resolutely hopeful. Participants expressed a deep commitment to the health, holiness, and effectiveness of their priests so that the Church may continue to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the sacraments with joy.

Participants gave clear feedback; 100% asked that the conference be held every two years. This enthusiasm, along with SJVC's ongoing support for clergy leadership, including regional meetings across the United States for vicars and monthly Zoom meetings, demonstrates the Center's commitment to strengthening the human, spiritual, pastoral, and intellectual growth of clergy.

**The week in Ireland built community, provided useful tools, and renewed the hope that supports both Church leaders and those they serve. The next conference is scheduled for January 2027.**



# Spiritual Care: A Sacred Partnership in Healing

At the Saint John Vianney Center (SJVC), spiritual care is not just a program or department; it is a meaningful partnership in healing that is woven into the Center's daily life. Erik Ranstrom, Ph.D., Manager of the Spiritual Care Department, who joined SJVC in 2018, describes spiritual care as "an opportunity to discover how God is at work in each person's life," especially during times of vulnerability, change, and renewal.

**The main role of the Spiritual Care Department is to support Clergy and Men and Women Religious as they reconnect with God, themselves, and their calling.**

At SJVC, spiritual care is not separate from other services. It is carefully coordinated with clinical staff and the chaplain to help each resident on their own healing path. The Spiritual Care team works closely with therapists, psychiatrists, continuing care, dietary, and nurses to ensure spiritual support aligns with psychological and medical care.

**M**any residents come to SJVC during very hard times in their lives. This team approach helps spiritual care respond to each person's needs. "Through the therapeutic journey, residents learn more about themselves, grow in healing, and rediscover hope," Dr. Ranstrom explains. He continued, "We believe God is at the center of that. The Holy Spirit drives that transformation, moving a person from diminished hope and confusion to new life." Spiritual care is shaped by each person's background, spiritual culture, and readiness, so that the way spiritual care works with their treatment fits the individual instead of a single approach for everyone.



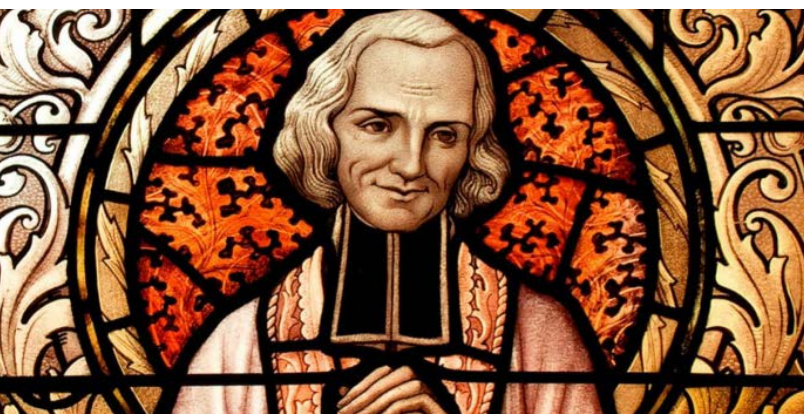
**Dr. Erik Ranstrom,  
Manager of Spiritual Care**

In this way, spiritual care takes part in the Paschal Mystery, helping people move from suffering and loss to new life and purpose. Dr. Ranstrom and the Spiritual Care team— including Spiritual Care Advisors Nancy Santamaria, Fr. Michael Joseph Groark, Mary Oakley, and Jillian Tutak, support residents through one-on-one spiritual advising, spirituality groups, and sustained reflection. "We are privileged to witness God working in the lives of these men and women as they move toward God-with-us," he says.

Dr. Ranstrom's background is in Ignatian spirituality and Clinical Pastoral Education. He holds a certificate in spiritual direction from Fairfield University's Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality and is trained to lead the 19th Annotation Retreat, which adapts St. Ignatius of Loyola's Spiritual Exercises for daily life. "The retreat in daily life allows a person to experience deep spiritual graces within the rhythm of ordinary work and relationships," he explains. "It opens space for encountering God in daily circumstances." This approach matches SJVC's mission to meet each resident where they are and support them as they heal.

**At its core, spiritual care at Saint John Vianney Center helps each resident remember a basic truth: they are loved by God.**

Through prayer, support, and teamwork, healing is not just about getting through hard times, but about finding new purpose and calling. As Dr. Ranstrom says, "What happens here is resurrection in real time, a rediscovery of faith, meaning, and joy."





“Ultimately, I value deeply being part of something so much larger than myself. The mission we share, one that we collaborate on and bring our unique perspectives to, draws us together for the wellness and care of each resident. That diversity held in unity becomes a small reflection of the Church herself. I cherish being part of this larger mission, striving to be Christ present to our religious and diocesan brothers and sisters. There is a particular beauty in the group modalities, in walking and healing together rather than alone, this shows them that they are not isolated but accompanied on this journey. “

— **Nancy Santamaria, Spiritual Care Advisor, and Alumni Association Chair**

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“I see Saint John Vianney Center as a true portal of Divine Mercy. Our role is to serve as a kind of gentle buffer within the therapeutic model, reminding our brothers and sisters that they are on a sacred journey, even when parts of that journey feel confusing or painful. None of it is wasted. It is all part of the story God is writing in their lives. As Spiritual Care Advisors, we have the grace of walking alongside them, helping them notice God’s presence and make meaning of what they are experiencing, trusting that mercy is unfolding even in the places that feel most fragile.”

— **Father Michael Joseph Groark, Spiritual Care Advisor**

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“I love this role because it allows us to listen deeply, to accompany others in meaningful ways, and to be fully present in their healing journey. Serving on a team where everyone is striving to function at their highest level is both inspiring and humbling. Each member brings incredible insight and dedication to the care of our residents, and it truly feels like a privilege to be part of such an exceptional group.”

— **Mary Oakley, Spiritual Care Advisor**

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“What I love about my role is the opportunity to collaborate closely with other spiritual directors, psychologists, and psychiatrists. It truly reflects a holistic approach to wellness. I’m able to support residents spiritually while helping bridge the gap between faith and clinical care. Pope Francis once said that the Church should be the hospital for the broken, and I never really saw that more concretely than during our discharge Masses. How beautiful it is to see all the residents come together, hear their stories, and see how much God and this center have helped them find healing.”

— **Jillian Tutak, Spiritual Care Advisor**

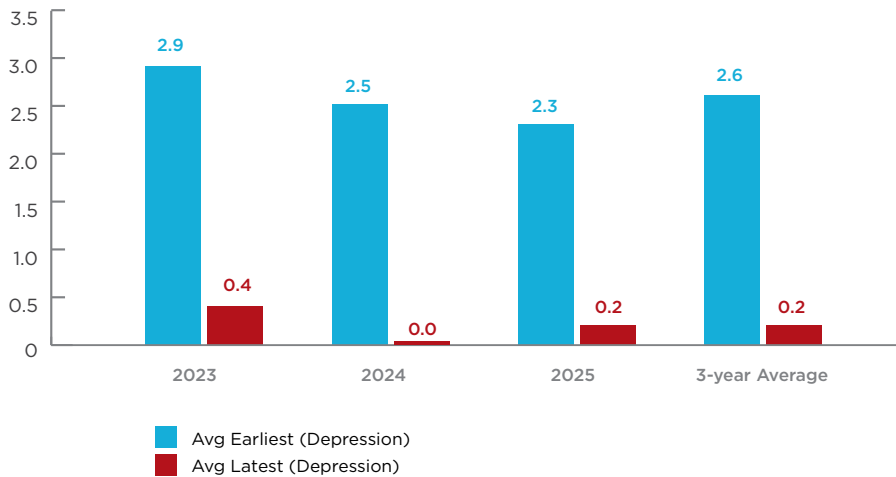


# Our Residents' Outcomes

The Treatment Outcomes Package (TOP) is an assessment tool measuring emotional, psychological, and functional well-being throughout a resident's stay at Saint John Vianney Center. Residents take this assessment upon admission and then repeat this measure every 30 days. This repeated administration protocol allows for real time updates on progress in various domains of functioning.

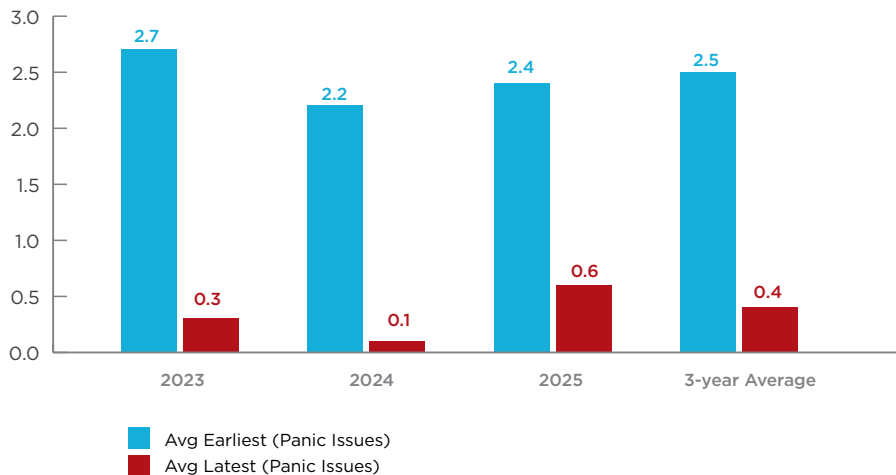


## TOP Outcomes by Year - Depression



This graph pertains to residents who scored in the clinically elevated range on the Depression scale at admission. The discharge scores for the same residents are shown for comparison. The significant reduction in symptom report clearly demonstrates that residents experiencing depressive symptoms upon entry to SJVC experience marked improvement following a course of treatment.

## TOP Outcomes by Year - Panic Issues



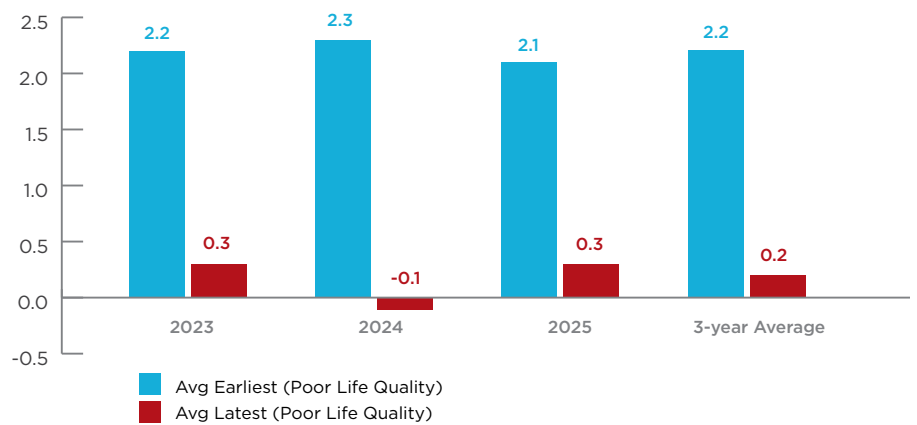
This graph features residents who scored in the clinically elevated range on the Panic scale at admission. The Panic scale measures physiological indicators of anxiety (e.g., racing heart, light-headed, etc.). The discharge scores for the same residents are shown for comparison. The significant reduction in symptom report clearly demonstrates that residents experiencing these physiological symptoms of panic and anxiety upon entry to SJVC find considerable relief following a course of treatment.



## TOP Outcomes by Year - Poor Life Quality

This graph shows residents who scored in the clinically elevated range on the Poor Life Quality scale at admission. The discharge scores for the same residents are shown for comparison. This domain assesses how respondents perceive their own lives overall. High scores on this domain suggest one has perception of a problematic quality of life.

The graph illustrates how those residents who deem their quality of life exceptionally poor upon admission report significant improvement following resident treatment at SJVC.



## At Saint John Vianney Center, we care for the whole person: body, mind, and spirit.

Many of our residents arrive carrying significant burdens of depression, anxiety, and diminished quality of life. Through an integrated, evidence-based model of care, we measure progress in real time and adjust treatment to meet individual needs.

The outcomes reflected in these charts are more than statistics. They represent our Clergy and Men and Women Religious who experience meaningful relief from depressive and panic symptoms, and a renewed sense of hope by the time they complete treatment.

The warm, trusting environment created by our cross-disciplinary team facilitates resident engagement and long-term healing. We are deeply grateful for the support that allows us to continue offering this specialized care to those who have devoted their lives to serving the Church.

James Coupe, Psy.D., MBA  
Clinical Director





## Honoree Spotlight: Sister Mercedes McCann, RSM, Ph.D.



For Sister Mercedes McCann, RSM, Ph.D., religious life has always felt like home. Raised in Philadelphia and educated by the Sisters of Mercy, she was shaped early by their witness and generosity. With an aunt already in the community and years of positive experiences at Mercy schools, her vocation unfolded naturally. “I think I’ve been a Sister of Mercy since the day I was born,” she says with a smile. “The sisters I had were wonderful, and I just grew to love the community more and more.”

**S**ister Mercedes devoted nearly three decades to special education at St. Katherine Day School in Wynnewood, serving as a teacher, vice principal, and principal. She later became Assistant Superintendent for Special Education for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, overseeing multiple schools serving children with cognitive differences, hearing and visual impairments, and other specialized needs. At a time when most such programs were residential, Mercy Day schools were met with skepticism. “We were laughed at and even scorned in the beginning,” she recalls, “yet those schools are still strong today. It was a special ministry.”

After completing advanced studies, including a doctorate from Seton Hall University, Sister Mercedes joined Saint John Vianney Center nearly 20 years ago as a psychologist. What she once thought might be a temporary role quickly became a calling. “I had wonderful priests in my life, and I came to see this ministry as a great blessing.” She now serves as Leadership Relations in the Consultation, Education, and Outreach Department, providing leadership support, facilitation, consultation, and workshops to congregations across the country.

Her work has grown into a national ministry, offering guidance to communities navigating aging membership, fewer vocations, and significant transitions. “Religious life will look different,” she says, “but there is a future. Women continue to enter and continue to give their lives to the mission.”

Quoting Emily Dickinson, Sister Mercedes describes hope as “the thing with feathers that perches in the soul.” For her, hope is not an abstraction, but a lived conviction that God continues to breathe life into religious communities, the Church, and all those who serve.

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**For her decades of faithful service and her enduring spirit of hope, we are honored to recognize Sister Mercedes McCann, RSM, Ph.D., at our 80th Anniversary Breakfast.**

# SJVC Dedicates New Annex

January 7, 2026, was a joy-filled day as Saint John Vianney Center celebrated the opening of our new 8,300-square-foot Annex. Our hearts were filled with gratitude as residents, staff, Board members, and business partners gathered together for the ribbon-cutting and blessing.

The Annex is the home to the new Good Shepherd Hall, our largest gathering space. For the first time in a long time, our residents and staff can come together in one place to celebrate milestones and special occasions. Good Shepherd Hall is used daily for resident sessions, and can be divided into two large meeting spaces, providing flexibility for a variety of programs and events.

The Annex also serves as the home of our Consultation, Education, and Outreach Department (CEO) and our Human Resources and Finance teams. It features a spacious employee breakroom, a large conference room, additional bathrooms, and offices for therapists and outpatient services.



The Annex Building serves as a sign that our mission and ministry have grown tremendously, and it would not have been possible without our dedicated staff.





## Faith, Service, and Leadership: Honoring Albert R. Riviezzo

When you speak with Albert “Al” Riviezzo, one thing becomes clear immediately: his Catholic faith has always been central to his life. Raised in a devout Catholic family, Al attended Catholic schools from grade school through college, earning his undergraduate degree from La Salle University. Following law school at Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law (J.D.), Al earned a Master of Laws in Taxation at Villanova University. His faith was never confined to the classroom. Over the years, he has served as an altar server, lector, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, and as a member of parish councils and school boards. “Being Catholic has always been part of my identity,” he says.

Al’s professional career spans five decades as an attorney, primarily representing physicians in the business aspects of their practices. Through this work, he met Sister Beth Howe, a Franciscan nun and emergency room physician, who introduced him to Saint John Vianney Center (SJVC) and encouraged him to consider board service.

**After learning more about the Center’s mission, Al accepted the invitation and has now served faithfully on the Board of Directors for more than 15 years.**

**F**or Al, the most meaningful aspect of his board service is witnessing the transformation of priests and religious who receive care and are able to return to ministry. “These men and women have made tremendous sacrifices,” he reflects. “If they need help and we can provide it so they can go back to serve others, that’s incredibly rewarding.”

**One of the most significant milestones during his tenure is guiding SJVC to independence from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, establishing it as an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit.**

This transition provided greater flexibility, strengthened donor confidence, and strengthened SJVC’s position as a national resource serving dioceses and religious communities across the country and beyond.

Looking ahead, Al is committed to expanding awareness of SJVC’s mission so every priest and religious knows the Center as a place of support, healing, and ongoing formation. He commented that the construction of SJVC’s new annex helps advance that vision, creating new opportunities to serve.

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**As we honor Albert Riviezzo for his extraordinary service, we celebrate a life shaped by faith, professional excellence, and a steadfast commitment to the Church and SJVC’s healing mission.**

# Donor Spotlight: Riley Family Foundation

Barb and Brian Riley's philanthropy begins in a simple place: gratitude. Married for 27 years and deeply rooted in their Catholic faith, they see giving as a response to God's goodness and a practical way to live the Gospel. Barb, a Catholic school graduate, describes Brian's approach as grounded in the corporal works of mercy, while together they share a desire to help in ways that are thoughtful, personal, and effective.

In 2020, they formalized that commitment by creating their family foundation. What started as Barb making year-end phone calls using lists of Catholic Social Services soon grew into a hands-on, relationship-driven approach to giving. Through one connection, they spent an entire day visiting ministries and learning firsthand how organizations serve people on the ground. Today, the Riley family supports roughly fifteen ministries connected with Catholic Charities and other Catholic initiatives, with a strong emphasis on accountability and impact.

One of the most inspiring aspects of the Riley Family Foundation is how intentionally Barb and Brian involve their five children. Each child is required to complete three site visits per year, then the family gathers annually to review what they have learned and vote on priorities for the year ahead. Their children are learning early that generosity is not only about writing a check, but also about showing up, listening, and understanding the people behind the mission. Their son, a senior at Malvern Prep, has been especially engaged in Kensington, even producing a documentary to shine light on the struggles and humanity he encountered there.



Barb and Brian were introduced to Saint John Vianney Center a couple of years ago, and the mission immediately resonated with what they were seeing in parish life. Barb grew up in the Philadelphia area, where parish identity shaped community, and priests were plentiful. Today, she and Brian have watched that reality change dramatically. At their home parish, Saint Patrick in Malvern, a rectory that once housed several priests is now staffed by a single priest. With fewer clergy carrying heavier responsibilities, the stress can be immense as priests try to be present to everyone's needs while often shouldering loneliness and public scrutiny.



We are so grateful to the priests and all the clergy for everything they do for Christ, our faith community, and our family. We rely so heavily on our priests to help us know Christ better and to be with him for eternity in God's Kingdom. It is a great honor and privilege to support those who give so much to us."



For the Rileys, supporting Saint John Vianney Center is a concrete way to care for those who have spent their lives caring for others. Their generosity reflects a clear conviction: if the Church is to be healthy, those who serve the Church must be supported, strengthened, and given the help they need to thrive.



# Giving Back to Our Community

Members of our staff volunteer to partner with local leaders to make a positive impact in our community. Over the past year, we have remained committed to giving back, fostering goodwill, and supporting local organizations through our Good Neighbor Initiative and Suicide Prevention and Awareness Collaboration.

## These are just some of the ways and places where SJVC employees shared their time, talent, and resources in 2025:

- ASPCA— American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- Christmas Angel Tree— Presents for Local Families
- David’s Drive— Collecting Items for Veterans
- Downingtown Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting
- Downingtown Fall Fest
- Employee Blood Drive— Miller-Keystone Blood Center
- Fun Fridays— Raising Funds for Suicide Prevention and Awareness
- Half A Million Kids— Transforming Foster Care
- Home of the Sparrow— Helping end Homelessness for Women and Children
- LaMancha Animal Rescue
- Man Up Philly
- One Warm Coat Drive— 104 Coats Donated
- “Out of the Darkness Walk” in Philadelphia— American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
- Rosary Relay— WorldPriest.com
- Staff delivered care packages to our local doctor’s offices
- Staff donated a Suicide Awareness Bench from “Josh’s Benches for Awareness”
- Saint Joseph’s Parish Festival, Downingtown



In June, as part of our Suicide Prevention and Awareness collaboration, SJVC partnered with Josh’s Benches for Awareness to donate a beautiful yellow bench to St. Joseph School in Downingtown. The bench was made possible by our employees, who donated as part of our Summer Fun Fridays. This week was Superhero Day!



Saint John Vianney Center is a proud member of these chambers of commerce:





In July, staff supported David's Drive by donating household items for formerly homeless Veterans transitioning into housing.

**David's Drive**  
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*Helping Veterans...Because We Should!*



In September, SJVC participated in a panel discussion hosted by Strike Out the Stigma, the Philadelphia Phillies' mental health awareness initiative.



In October SJVC participated in the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Out of the Darkness Walk in Philadelphia, showing their commitment to breaking the stigma around mental health and sharing a message of hope.



In November, SJVC spent a day volunteering at LaMancha Animal Rescue in Coatesville.



During the third week of Advent, SJVC staff filled the Angel Tree with gifts for children in need, reflecting our commitment to caring for others.

# Honor Roll of Donors

The following generously donated to Saint John Vianney Center  
between July 1, 2024, and June 30, 2025.

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# Saint John Vianney Center's 80th Anniversary Breakfast

Goal: \$80,000

In 2026, Saint John Vianney Center marks **80 Years of Hope and Healing for Clergy and Religious**. This anniversary year presents a unique opportunity to extend that healing mission to Religious Communities who are financially challenged and unable to afford the care they need.

All proceeds from the anniversary will benefit the **Our Lady of Hope Scholarship Fund**, which ensures that Consecrated Religious are never denied residential behavioral health and addictions care because of financial hardship.



Your gift can make a difference. Visit [SJVCenter.org/breakfast](https://sjvcenter.org/breakfast)



In October 2024, SJVC facilitated a survey of the leadership of Religious Communities to ascertain their financial needs. Over 60% of respondents noted that the cost of treatment affects their decision to seek services. In addition, 58% of Religious Communities reported that the need for behavioral health services has grown in the past 5-10 years.

Your generosity helps remove cost as a barrier and offers healing, dignity, and renewed hope to men and women who have given their lives in faithful service to the Church.

There are three simple and impactful ways to participate: **make a special 80th Anniversary gift, place an ad in our commemorative program book, or become a sponsor.** Each option allows you to celebrate this milestone while directly supporting Religious in need of care.

To participate or learn more, please visit [SJVCenter.org/breakfast](https://sjvcenter.org/breakfast) or reach out to Deacon Jim Friend, Director of Mission Advancement at [jfriend@sjvcenter.org](mailto:jfriend@sjvcenter.org).



*80 Years of  
Hope & Healing*  
for Clergy and Religious



# Annual Fund

Goal: \$300,000 2025/26

This year, we have set a goal of raising \$300,000 through the Annual Fund to strengthen three critical areas of our mission:

- **Spiritual Care Department**, where residents are accompanied by Spiritual Care Advisors who help them listen for the Holy Spirit, cope with challenges, and deepen their relationship with God.
- **Our Lady of Hope Scholarship Fund**, which ensures that no religious community in need is ever turned away from residential treatment because of financial hardship.
- **Prevention Education and Wellness Programs**, which bring education, consultation, and formation opportunities to dioceses and religious communities across the nation.

When you make a gift to the Annual Fund, you extend Christ's healing touch to priests, sisters, and brothers who give their lives in service to others.



## Prevention, Education, and Wellness Programs

Prevention, Education, and Wellness Programs, bring education, consultation, and ongoing formation opportunities to dioceses and religious communities worldwide. These workshops encompass a comprehensive blend of psychology, medicine, theology, and spirituality. The demand for our services is on the rise, necessitating an expansion of our resources to serve more Dioceses and Religious Communities.

Presently, SJVC allocates \$700,000 annually from its operational budget to facilitate preventative health education and wellness initiatives. While Dioceses and Religious Communities collaborate to offset some expenses, the escalating demands and associated costs limit our capacity to fulfill all requirements.

We aspire to raise funds through sponsorships and the Annual Fund, empowering us to broaden our services. Your gift will empower us to establish a presence in additional dioceses, making a lasting impact. Please contact Deacon Jim Friend to learn more about our programming and the opportunities to sponsor one of these events.

# Opportunities for Giving

**Thank you for considering a gift to Saint John Vianney Center. Your generosity helps ensure access to care for those who cannot afford our services and strengthens the programs we provide to Clergy and Men and Women Religious.**

**To learn more or make a gift, visit [sjvcenter.org/giving](http://sjvcenter.org/giving).**

## One-Time or Recurring Gift

Please consider a one-time or recurring gift to maximize your impact.

## Gift of Securities

Many donors choose to make a gift of securities, allowing them to contribute the full value of the asset while potentially avoiding capital gains tax. Please consult your personal tax advisor regarding the rules for gifts of appreciated property.

## Matching Gifts

Many employers sponsor matching gift programs and will match charitable contributions made by their employees. Contact your Human Resources Department for specific information to ensure that your gift will be eligible for a match.

## Bequests

Including Saint John Vianney Center in your estate plans is a meaningful way to support our mission for generations to come. A legacy gift can help fund continuing education initiatives, provide scholarships for Religious Communities, or address future capital needs of the Center.

A bequest is one of the simplest and most flexible ways to make a lasting impact. It may be established by creating a new will or by adding a codicil to your existing will, and it can be structured in a variety of ways to reflect your intentions. An outright bequest to Saint John Vianney Center may also offer potential federal estate tax benefits.

If you would like to explore how a legacy gift can reflect your values and support the future of Saint John Vianney Center, please contact Deacon Jim Friend for a confidential and exploratory conversation.



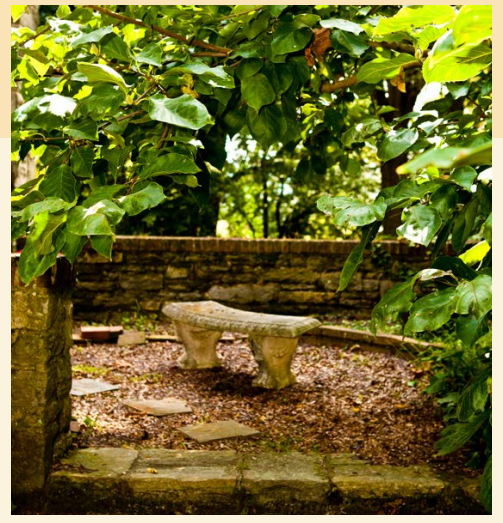
# Audited Financials

## Saint John Vianney Center

Statements of financial position

June 30, 2025 and 2024

	2025	2024
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 3,960,817	\$ 3,565,808
<b>Patient Accounts Receivable</b>		
Residents	2,504,388	2,986,553
Outpatient	75,273	45,793
Allowance for credit losses	(190,820)	(190,820)
<b>Patient Accounts Receivable, net</b>	<b>2,388,841</b>	<b>2,841,526</b>
Pledges receivable	67,200	--
Other receivables	8,017	1,804
Prepaid expenses	203,378	183,505
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>6,628,253</b>	<b>6,592,643</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>		
Property, Plant And Equipment, net	3,763,499	3,392,817
<b>Pledges receivable, net</b>	<b>3,326,350</b>	<b>2,512,591</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	<b>136,961</b>	<b>--</b>
Operating Leases Right-Of-Use Assets, net	23,821	70,855
Finance lease right-of-use assets, net	70,730	70,855
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$13,925,793</b>	<b>\$12,568,906</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 542,889	\$ 959,770
Accrued Salaries	531,940	578,751
Accrued Expenses	6,545	70
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	311,985	314,134
Current Portion of Operating Lease Liability	28,836	26,789
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>1,887,123</b>	<b>1,422,297</b>
Mortgage Payable	3,120,117	3,229,582
Notes Payable	3,501,864	3,359,413
Note Issuance Costs	(69,083)	(19,772)
Operating Lease Liability	15,230	44,066
Financing lease liability	19,325	--
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>8,474,576</b>	<b>8,035,586</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Without donor restrictions	4,542,702	4,128,425
With donor restrictions	908,515	404,895
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>5,451,217</b>	<b>4,533,320</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$13,925,793</b>	<b>\$ 12,568,906</b>



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