

Richard Bauer

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Richard Bauer, MM (Rick) is a Roman Catholic priest with the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers and has been involved in care and support for people affected by HIV since 1982. Fr. Rick was missioned to Africa in 1997 serving in Catholic care and treatment programs for people with HIV first in Tanzania, later in Namibia, and later in Kenya.

He completed his residency in Spiritual Care on the Oncology and Hematology unit of the Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City, NY, USA in 2017 and his Chaplaincy Board Certification with the NACC in 2018.

As a priest, board certified chaplain and clinical social worker, Fr. Bauer has a wide range of experience with treatment, care and support activities integrating holistic, comprehensive spiritual and emotional care into program service delivery. He has served on the board and is an active member of the African Palliative Care Association, the International Children’s Palliative Care Network and the executive committee of PalCHASE (Palliative Care in Humanitarian Aid Situations and Emergencies). He is on the Leader’s Council of the Global Network on Spirituality and Health at George Washington University and is an assistant editor for the *Journal of HIV and Social Work*.

Fr. Bauer is currently a Board Certified Chaplain with the George Washington University Institute for Spirituality and Health working on research, advocacy, policy and curriculum development to fully integrate spiritual care into palliative care service provision. He is providing clinical chaplaincy services at the George Washington University Hospital, George Washington University outpatient clinics, and at the Children’s National Hospital in Washington DC>