

*YOU become part of what
is made possible.*

The Volunteer Program at Holy Name Monastery provides experiences and involvement at the very heart of life. Faith, hope and love give meaning and purpose to all we do. By your assistance and talents, you play a vital role in advancing our mission. It is our prayer that your time with us in residence will bring growth, development, and fulfillment.



Our mission to serve God and help others is what you become a part of. Volunteers are those who embrace and restore Christ's example of "What can I do for you?" Side by side with the Sisters, you can work in a variety of ministries and participate in the requirements of operating the monastery.

Volunteering can also be an excellent chance, for those who have ever considered a vocation, to see if the monastic life with us is something you would like to explore further.

How You Benefit

- Opportunity for daily Eucharist and Liturgy of the Hours
- Living in the monastery and sharing meals with the Sisters
- Experiencing community and interaction with like-minded women
- Orientation to Benedictine life and values
- Opportunity for spiritual direction
- Living involved and making it count



*"Alone we can
do so little;
together we can
do so much."*

Helen Keller

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Holy Name Monastery
Founded 1889

The Volunteer Program
at Holy Name Monastery
offers a meaningful
opportunity to live in
community with the Sisters
and to give back
by helping others.
Our Volunteers tell us
they receive
far more
than they give...

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About Us

The Benedictine Sisters of Florida live by the values of our founders, who are twins, Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica. *The Rule* was written in the sixth century by St. Benedict and the values are based on the teachings of Jesus.



Scholastica and Benedict
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St. Scholastica Monastery, Duluth, MN

*“Let us
serve
one another
in love.”*

Rule of
St. Benedict

We strive to bring spirituality to others through our monastic way of life and service to God and His people. Our purpose from our beginnings here in 1889

has been to seek God in community and to enable those around us to develop their fullest human and spiritual potential.

The Volunteer Program

The volunteer program is a part of how we can make a difference in the lives of those within our sphere of influence. It is a beneficial opportunity for women who may have a desire to live in residence at Holy Name Monastery and participate in the daily prayer and work of the community.

Who Is Eligible?

Women who:

- Are single, widowed or divorced 25 to 75 years of age with no dependents
- Have a desire to experience the prayer and lifestyle of monastics.
- Possess good health enabling participation in community living
- Have a willingness to do various works in community life
- Are financially independent to handle major personal expenses



What Is the Length of Service?

- Those selected are welcome to serve from two weeks to one year.
- An option to renew or extend the arrangement, if it is mutually beneficial, is offered.



What Is Required of You?

As with any family, living together successfully means sharing the work. Holy Name is home and we are family to one another. Assignments vary according to community needs and the individual's unique talents and gifts. This is especially true for Volunteers. The list below is a sampling of tasks, but is not complete:

- Community Driver
- Receptionist
- Serving Meals/Washing Dishes
- Assisting with Special Events
- Kitchen Assistant/Meal Prep
- Gardening/Aquaponics
- Companion for the elderly



*“A Match
Made in
Heaven”*

The process in applying for residence as a live-in Volunteer is designed so that the women applying, as well as the Sisters, can determine if “the fit” is a good one.

To get started you:

- Request and complete an application
- Provide references
- Schedule a visit
- Have an on-site interview with the Selection Committee

*A special ritual and blessing
takes place when you begin service.*