

Pangborn Hall Assistant Rector Position Description

Pangborn Hall Assistant Rectors share in the ministry of the Pangborn Rector, Fr. Bill Dailey, CSC, living among the students in their own furnished apartments on the ground level and second floor and acting as “head staff” on a staff that also includes five undergraduate resident assistants (RAs). The heart of ministry in residence halls is building Christian community: we aim to be an inbreaking of the Kingdom of God despite our humble physical plant and lack of air conditioning. (The AR rooms are air conditioned, rest assured. As the Lord said, the laborer deserves his payment.) Our hall motto is “Go and Do Likewise,” from the parable of the Good Samaritan. We are trying to form ourselves to have an ever greater ability to see all as our neighbor and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Next year Pangborn Hall will be transitioning into the newest men’s residence hall on campus, currently under construction by the Notre Dame Wellness Center and Johnson Family Hall. The new dorm will certainly feature state of the art facilities and, far more importantly, an opportunity to form a community from its very beginning.

The head staff evenly split evening “duty nights” throughout the year, on which they are the primary decision maker for situations that may arise in the course of keeping the hall safe and orderly. This can mean helping students in physical or emotional distress, managing the party scene, or intervening where there is evidence of the abuse of alcohol or the use of drugs.

In addition to these duties, the ARs help in the supervision of RAs, help to mentor Hall Government, manage hall employees, report maintenance needs, and take the lead in organizational matters such as purchasing and logistics for hall events, etc. An AR typically works with our priest in residence, Fr. Brian Ching, CSC, and members of student government in building up the spiritual life of the hall.

The rector relies on the ARs for sound judgment and advice about the health of the hall, the morale of the staff, and ways to improve these. He hopes to make the job as fulfilling as can be and is flexible in shaping it to the needs of the ARs. The ARs tend to work together to decide upon a satisfactory sharing of responsibilities and that balance can be altered as needs and desires dictate.

We currently need to hire one Assistant Rector for the coming school year, 2024-2025. Fr. Dailey is happy to answer any questions you may have, as are our current ARs, Aaron Morris, CSC and Trevor Reh.