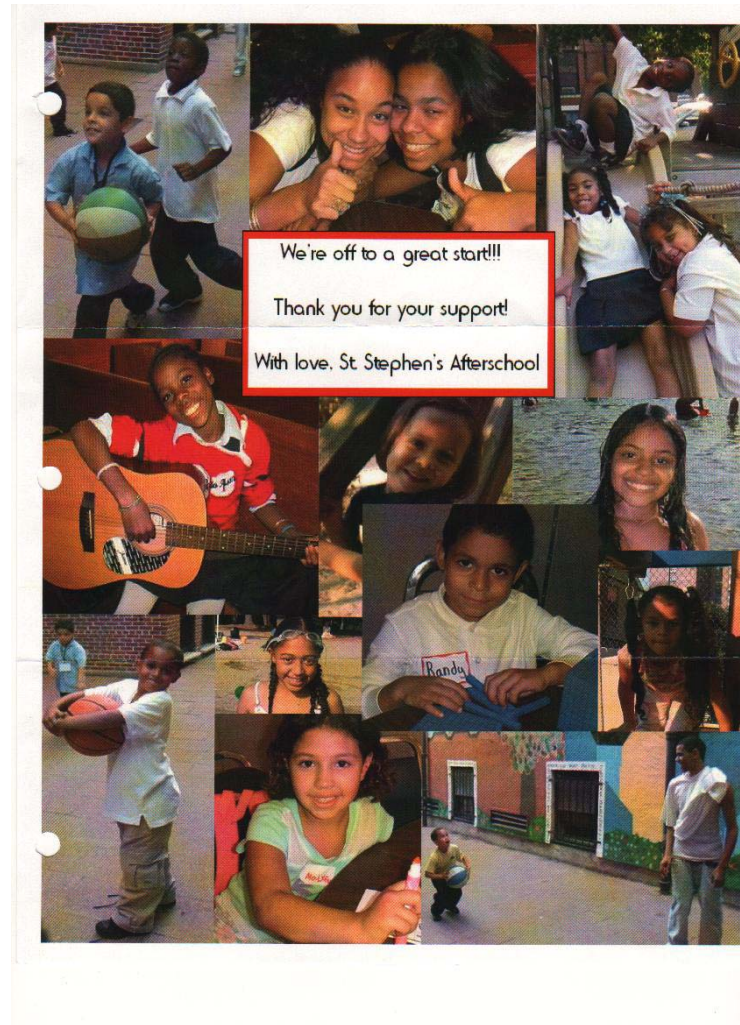


Parish of Epiphany Outreach Fall 2009



Outreach Mission Statement

The Outreach Committee strives to encourage an awareness of the needs of others, inside and outside of our community. We put our faith into action through the giving of our time, talents and financial resources. The projects that we support offer the opportunity for hands-on service and spiritual growth and they allow all of us, children, teens, adults, seniors and clergy, to work together. We offer several different opportunities to meet everyones diverse spiritual leanings, interests, talents and availability of time.

Upcoming Outreach Activities

- 9/26 – Germaine Lawrence activity, 10 am – noon in Arlington
- 9/26 Habitat for Humanity workday in Lawrence
- 10/4 Brookview House apple picking 3-5 pm Honey Pot Hill Orchards in Stow MA
- 10/7 Outreach sponsored potluck dinner @ Epiphany
- 10/10 Sat./Sun bread – serve a mid-day meal to homeless in Boston
- 10/17 St Luke’s Soup Kitchen, Chelsea, 9-noon
- 10/24 – Habitat for Humanity workday
- 10/25 – El Hogar Walk-a-thon
- 11/1 – 11/18 – Woburn Council Thanksgiving baskets
- 11/14 – Sat/Sun bread – serve mid-day meal to homeless
- 11/21 – St Luke’s Soup Kitchen, Chelsea, 9-noon
- 11/24 – Turkey Wahoo with St. Stephens
- 12/12 – Sat/Sun bread, serve mid-day meal to the homeless
- 11/29-12/24 – Giving Tree

Germaine Lawrence

Karina Nolasco and Stephanie Terry



- A residential treatment facility in Arlington serving girls ages 11-18 recovering from behavioral issues
- Looking for people to share skills and/or craft such as knitting, sewing, cooking, yoga, dancing, photography and sports with the girls
- Meet once a month for 1-2 hours in Arlington
- *“Your gift of time and friendship will improve the life of an adolescent girl at Germaine Lawrence”*

Habitat for Humanity

John Cuozzo



- Epiphany awarded Certificate of Appreciation for faithful service helping to overcome fire disaster in Jan 08
- New family moving into unit in April and 2 more homes to be completed soon
- 10 unit project planned in South Lawrence this year and next year a single-family home
- Most workdays are on the 4th Saturday of every month

Brookview House

Julie Dalton



- Brookview House provides services to more than 100 moms and more than 200 kids per year with 75% leaving the ranks of homelessness permanently. The program changes lives – mothers stay employed, families stay housed, and their kids stay in school and thrive.
- Apple picking event shared between Epiphany and Brookview House on Oct 4, 3 pm at Honey Pot Hill Orchard in Stow, MA
- Women of Epiphany members make afghans to donate to Brookview House each year



Saturday's Sundays Bread

Mary Provo



- Serves meals to people in need at the Church of St. John the Evangelist in Boston
- Provides healthy meals in a safe and inviting atmosphere
- SSB is an interfaith activity
- Volunteers come from 40 organizations all over the Boston area
- Each 2nd Saturday volunteers meet at POE to serve from 12:30-4:30
- Work includes food prep, table setup, meal service and cleanup.

El Hogar Walk-a-Thon

Liz Kinchen, Jenny Rappole and Betsy Walsh



- Celebrating 30 years of love and hope
- 5 K Walk-a-thon to take place on Oct 25 to raise funds to feed, clothe and educate extremely poor children @ El Hogar in Honduras
- Usual weekly mission trips haven't been traveling to El Hogar due to recent political conflict over who is the rightful president of the country
- The goal for the walk-a-thon is to offset some of the recent financial losses and directly help approx. 250 children continue their educations @ El Hogar so they can learn a marketable trade and help pull themselves and their families out of poverty

Woburn Council, St. Stephens Food Deliveries and Woburn Council Thanksgiving Baskets

Maryjane Olson



- Food deliveries to Woburn Council and St. Stephens take place one Saturday per month, always need drivers
- Need is greater than ever for food
- Starting Nov 1st food collection will take place at Epiphany for Thanksgiving baskets.
- Delivery of baskets to Woburn Council will be on Nov 18th

Turkey Wahoo with St. Stephens in Boston

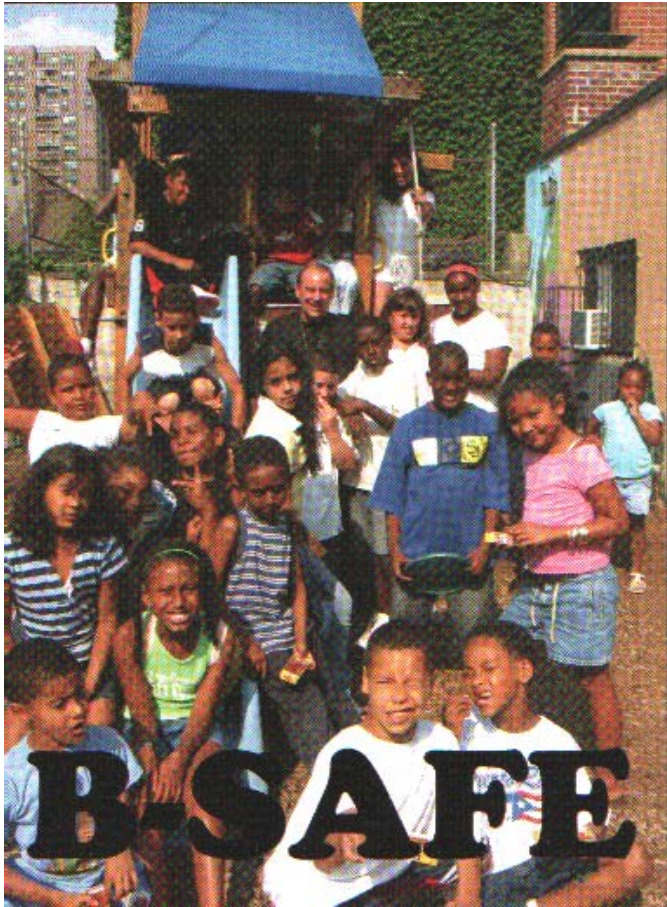
Betsy Walsh

- Takes place Nov 24, Tuesday afternoon from 2-6 pm
- A chance to serve a thanksgiving meal to inner city kids and their families and partake in a special service in the St. Stephen's church
- A great opportunity for your family to share in the giving spirit serving to over 100 people
- A great chance to have your children help their children with crafts and games



BSAFE

Betsy Walsh



- BSAFE is a Summer program supported by Mayor Menino and Bishop Shaw where more than 70 volunteers from 8 partner churches serve over 1,800 lunches to 460 elementary and middle school youth at seven sites each week.
- The program offers learning fun and field trips for inner city kids
- 100 teens (ages 15-17) work most as paid staff offering them meaningful jobs as mentors to younger kids while gaining job skills and key roles for 11 young adults (ages 18-21) developing their leadership skills
- Epiphany made 1,040 lunches over 2 weeks this summer in July, 1 week @ St. Lukes in Chelsea and the 2nd week @ St. Stephens in Boston.

St. Luke's Kitchen, Chelsea

Claudia Bell and Susan Malloy

- The Rev. Edgar A. Gutiérrez-Duarte, Vicar
- Formally established. on Mar 30, 2009, it's a partnership of St. Luke's-San Lucas Church and Mystic Valley Deanery congregations
- The kitchen, which began operations on June, is staffed entirely by volunteers, and opens every Saturday from 9 am to 12 noon. Warm, nutritious breakfast and lunch are served to anyone who comes in, free of charge.
- The food for the kitchen is provided by the Greater Boston Food Bank and private & corporate donations.



Winchester Multicultural Network

John Suhrbier



We Educate, Advocate, and Respond

- www.wmcn.org
- **The Mission:**
- Promote the recognition, understanding, and appreciation of diversity;
- Advocate for each and every person's civil rights;
- Confront intolerance.

Ekuvukeni – South Africa

Helena Champion

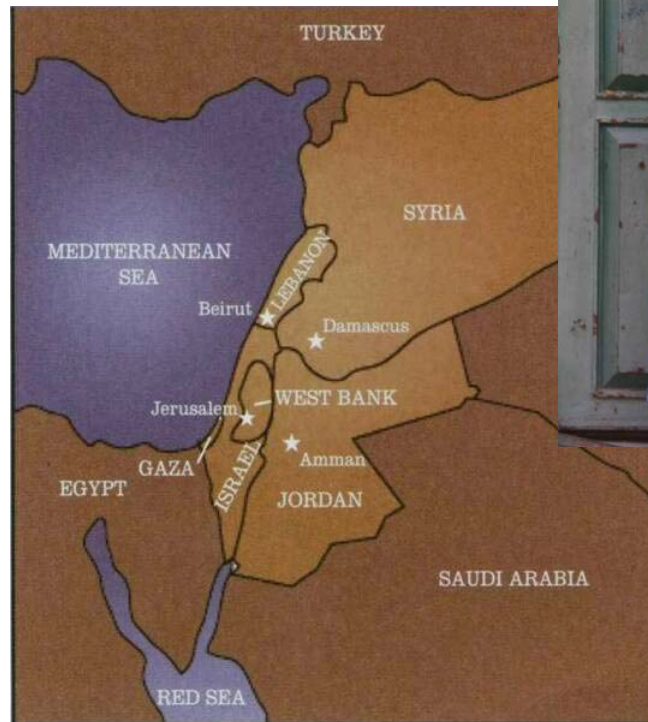


- The Health Center continues to counsel and test over 180 people per month and 31% test HIV positive requiring counseling and general healthcare
- Phase 1 of the resource center is completed
- Phase 2 is excavation for building the foundation for the Resource center which will be used for community development and education, child care and feeding services

American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem

Jack Roll

- A non-profit, non-political partnership with the Church in the Holy Land as we seek to serve our Lord's command to heal the sick, feed the hungry, shelter the orphaned, soothe the suffering, teach the Truth and preach the Gospel. Our efforts support the work of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem in two major hospitals, several schools, 29 parishes and 35 service organizations in Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan, an area of 121,000 square miles.



Microlending in Honduras

Kate Reynolds

- Epiphany team: Jason Kinchen, Barbara Foot, Julie Dalton, Claudia Bell, Blanca Bastanzuri, Eileen Marks, Betsy Walsh and Kate Reynolds; all are welcome.
- Working with Kiva (www.kiva.org) – online microlending for the working poor. Kiva lets internet users lend as little as \$25 to specific developing world entrepreneurs – providing affordable capital to help them start or expand their business. Thousands of people have lent millions of dollars in over 35 developing countries.
- In May 09 our microlending group lent \$100 to Naidya Lopez in Honduras. Naidya has a clothing business in a hotel in Tegucigalpa and is using our loan to buy shoes and jeans to increase her inventory and sales. She has repaid \$44 of her loan so far per a Sept. emailed update from Kiva.
- Plan to lend more this year to Naidya and other Honduran women entrepreneurs



Children's Book Shipments

Judy Coltman



- Children's book shipments to places like orphanages in Galle, Sri Lanka which was devastated by the tsunami in 2004. Four different homes benefited from the books Epiphany sent.
- Judy's team has sent books to other local organizations in MA as well

Environmental Partnerships

Susan Youmans



The mission of Environmental Partnerships, Inc. is to assist faith communities and environmental groups to be effective partners working for environmental justice and stewardship.

To achieve this goal, EP:

- helps parishes address environmental issues of local concern
- helps environmental groups develop programs with the faith community
- supports lay peoples' crucial role in discussing multifaceted scientific and technical issues.

Books for South Africa

- Donation bid at the Winchester Transfer station for books to be shipped to South Africa



Advent Giving Tree

Combined Community effort



- Set up from Nov 30-Dec 24 in Hadley Hall
- All Outreach ministries are represented on tags requesting gifts or monetary donations for their organization
- Examples of gifts requested would be toys for children at Brookview House, Gift cards for the teens at Germaine Lawrence, Target gift cards for St. Stephens families or donations for food and clothing for the children at El Hogar.