

FRIENDLY HOURS - 2010

Again this important ministry has brought much happiness to many lonely, needy and underprivileged people, who come twice weekly to enjoy friendly conversation and delicious nourishing soups. Soup, bread, dessert, coffee, tea & juice are cheerfully put together and lovingly served by 30 devoted, willing volunteers who put their faith into action by serving people in need and work side by side to ensure that each person that enters the door is welcomed and greeted with kind words and a smile.

Volunteers make a great difference, because ripples of their kindness flows outwards to each person they have touched which touches others .They all benefit from this special needed ministry. People coming to Friendly Hours have needs and aspirations beyond a meal.

Friendly Hours begin at St. Elizabeth's church in 1985 and now 25 years later still remains as rewarding and fruitful as in the beginning and is needed more then ever.

A special Friendly Hours Appreciation 25th celebration was held June 16th, which brought volunteers together who started in 1985 and others who are with us now. The welcoming of 49 guests, shared memories and wonderful festive homemade finger foods were pleasantly enjoyed by all.

Generally 30 - 40 people are served every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., except during holidays.

“Volunteers are desperately needed”!

(1) Assisting with the soup stock every 3 weeks

(2) Soup maker for Tuesdays once monthly.

Friendly Hours last day of this season was June 15th and will resume again the second week in September. The success of Friendly Hours could not be realized without the loving support of the community and parishioners who contribute so generously.

THANK YOU ALL. We especially thank God for all his graces and guidance in our work.

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