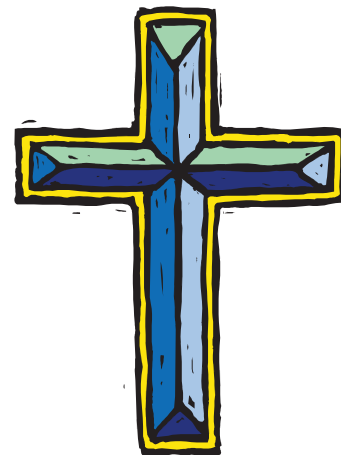


Parish Social Ministry ANNUAL REPORT 2010

FINDINGS for 2010 REPORT YEAR

133,663 *	Estimated annual unduplicated client count for all parish programs.
45,588	Monthly average number of services, based on data provided by <i>reporting</i> PSM/Outreach programs to people in their community.
24,840	Monthly average number of unduplicated clients served, based on data provided by <i>reporting</i> PSM/Outreach Programs.

***The Church responds
... now more than ever***



The church's deepest nature is expressed in her three-fold responsibility: of proclaiming the Word of God, celebrating the Sacraments, and exercising the ministry of charity.

Deus Caritas Est,
Pope Benedict XVI, 2006

* Estimated annual unduplicated client count for all parish programs in 2009 was 103,866.

2010 Annual Report Summary

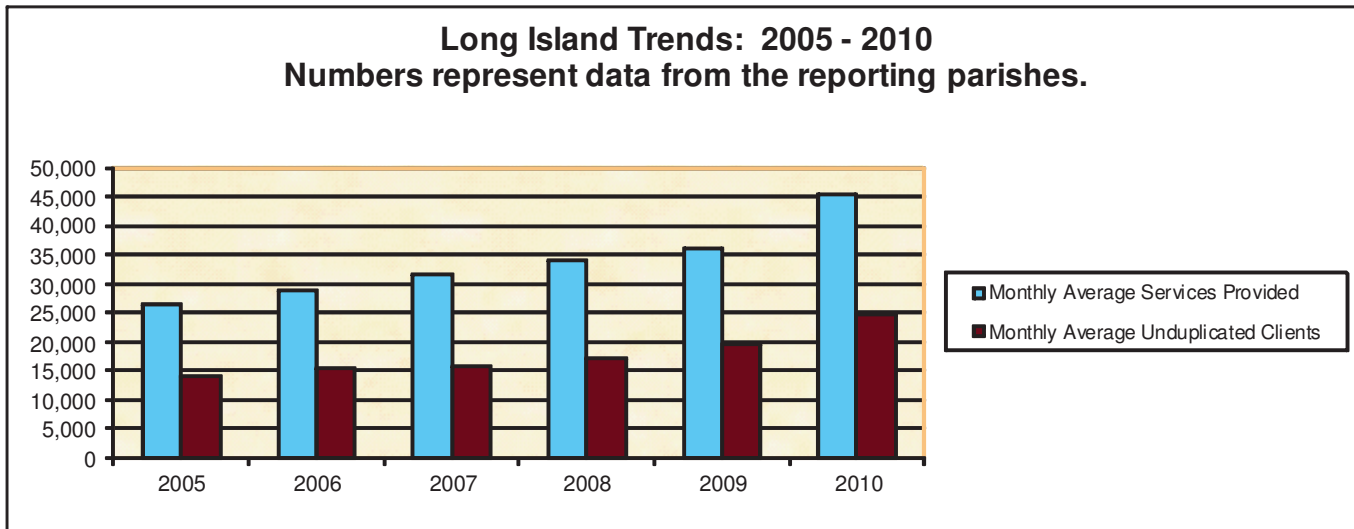
We faced some grim headlines during this report year (September 1, 2009 – August 31, 2010).

- The economy continued to lose ground.
- Unemployment rose.
- The cost of living on Long Island remained among the highest in the nation.
- Home foreclosures devastated many families.
- Budget cuts reduced support services for people with the greatest needs.
- Neighborhoods and communities suffered.

The Church Responded.

- As county, state and federal budgets cut services, the Church has been there to assist the people left behind.
- Even as many parishioners themselves were experiencing reduced or lost income, their generosity toward people in need, through service and financial/material donations, supported the Church's response through Parish Social Ministry/Outreach.
- While some parishes experienced reduced financial resources, Parish Social Ministry/Outreach programs continued to respond to the needs of people with compassion and creativity.

As the chart below indicates, parishes served more people and provided more services than in previous years.



Data Source

The 2010 annual report is based on data submitted by 63 of the 113 parishes (56%) on Long Island that have some form of PSM/Outreach program.

PSM Monthly Reports were sent by parishes to the Parish Social Ministry Department at Catholic Charities throughout the year.

This data is the basis for the estimated annual and the average monthly **unduplicated** count of clients served, as well as the average monthly totals of direct services. These standardized monthly reports, based on parish programs' daily logs of clients and services, were prepared by trained parish staff and volunteers.



Parish Social Ministry helps the faithful to grow in love with God and neighbor by drawing them to the side of the most vulnerable and asking them to be the presence of God's love.

*Catalysts & Collaborators in Social Ministry,
Catholic Charities USA 2008*

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Growing Partnerships: Planting Seeds Beyond the Parish

Joe Samodulski is the PSM coordinator at *St. Ignatius Parish in Hicksville*. He and his dedicated volunteers work with mostly low income, Spanish-speaking people who come seeking assistance. Because of the high volume, extreme need and the fact that most are not eligible for government benefits due to their immigration status, Joe looks to local businesses and an interfaith network of congregations for their support.

Employees of Macy's in the Broadway Mall conducted a "Bag Hunger" drive and donated non-perishables to the pantry, along with a financial gift. They plan to make this an annual event.

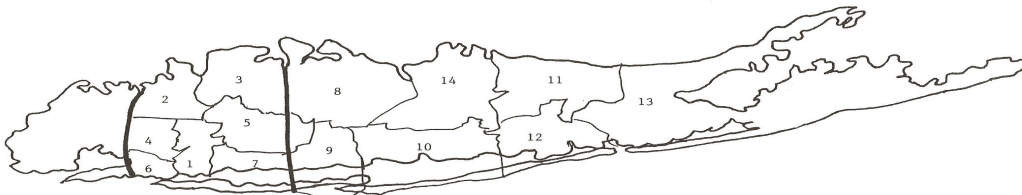
In 2006, Joe was invited to speak at a meeting of KeySpan employees about the services provided by the PSM program.

Fifteen employees immediately offered their help. Since then that group has grown to 160 LIPA volunteers. Known as the Lamplighters, they work in teams to pick up a van-full of fresh produce and other foods from Fairway Market in Plainview, which they deliver to the food pantry at St. Ignatius.

Joe has found that once people become aware of the need, they are very willing to help. He credits his success in these efforts to his willingness to personally share the story of St. Ignatius PSM and his commitment to hand-writing personal thank-you notes to everyone who contributes to the ministry. These notes let the donors know how their donation was used in responding to people in need in their community.

The 63 parishes that submitted PSM monthly data for this report are listed below.

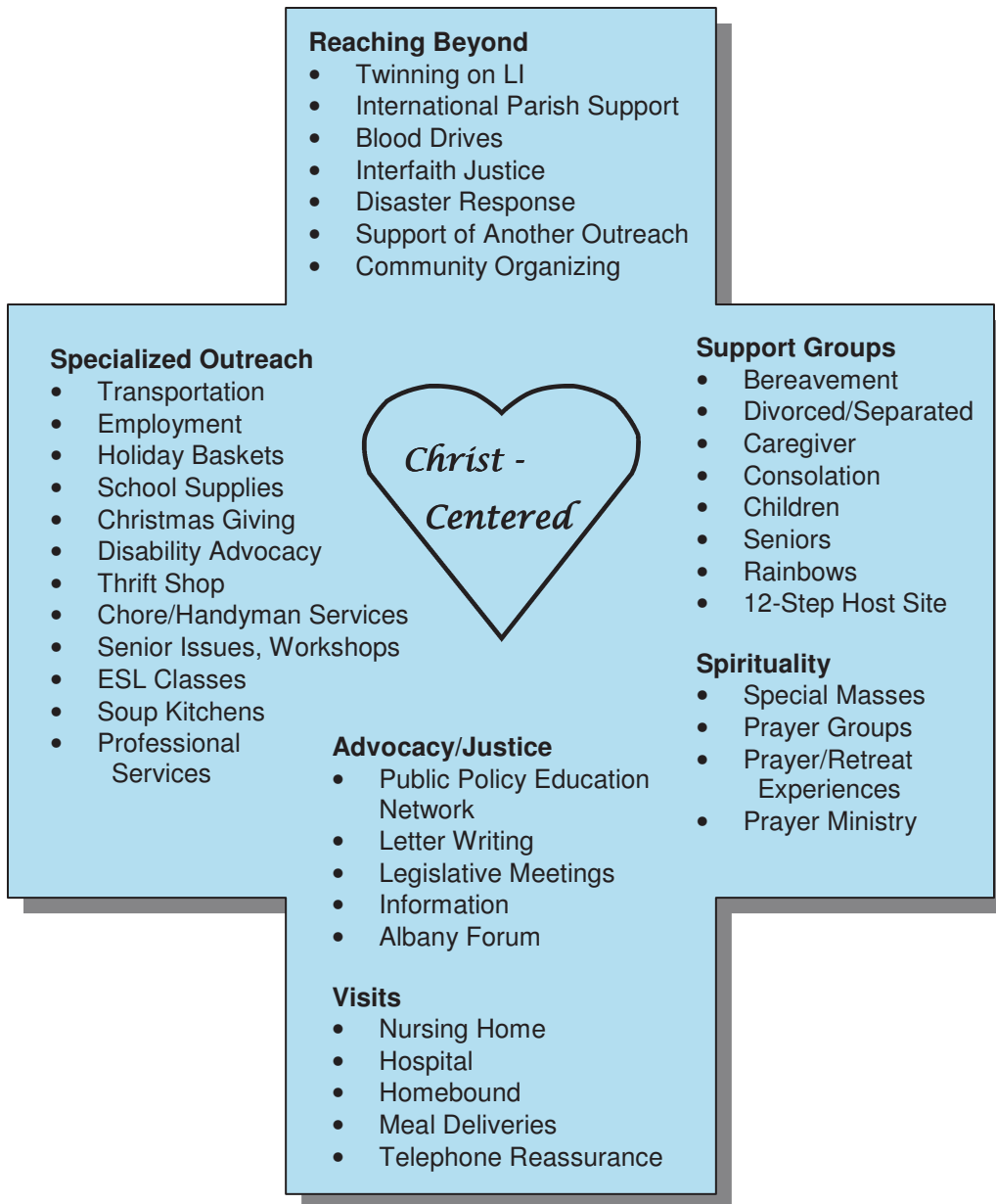
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<u>Deanery 1:</u>	<u>Deanery 6:</u>	<u>Deanery 11:</u>
Our Holy Redeemer, Freeport	St. Raymond, East Rockaway	Infant Jesus, Port Jefferson
St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre	St. Mary of the Isle, Long Beach	St. Gerard Majella, Port Jefferson Station
Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Roosevelt		St. Anthony of Padua, Rocky Point
St. Martha, Uniondale	<u>Deanery 7:</u>	St. Mark, Shoreham
St. Thomas the Apostle, West Hempstead	Cure of Ars, Merrick	St. Francis Cabrini, Coram
	Sacred Heart, North Merrick	
<u>Deanery 2:</u>	Maria Regina, Seaford	<u>Deanery 12:</u>
St. Aloysius, Great Neck	St. William the Abbot, Seaford	Our Lady of the Snow, Blue Point
St. Mary, Manhasset	St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh	St. Joseph the Worker, East Patchogue
Notre Dame, New Hyde Park		Good Shepherd, Holbrook
St. Peter of Alcantara, Port Washington		St. Sylvester, Medford
	SUFFOLK	Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue
<u>Deanery 3:</u>	<u>Deanery 8:</u>	St. Francis de Sales, Patchogue
St. Mary, Roslyn	St. Anthony of Padua, East Northport	
St. Edward the Confessor, Syosset	St. Hugh of Lincoln, Huntington Station	<u>Deanery 13:</u>
St. Dominic, Oyster Bay		NFPO, Greenport *
St. Patrick, Glen Cove	<u>Deanery 9:</u>	St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays
	St. Martin of Tours, Amityville	St. Isidore, Riverhead
<u>Deanery 4:</u>	St. Joseph, Babylon	St. John the Evangelist, Riverhead
St. Boniface, Elmont	Our Lady of the Assumption, Copiague	* NFPO North Fork Parish Outreach
St. Vincent de Paul, Elmont	Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Deer Park	includes Our Lady of Ostrabama, Cutchogue;
St. Catherine of Sienna, Franklin Square	Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon	Sacred Heart, Cutchogue; St. Agnes,
Our Lady of Peace, Lynbrook	Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal,	Greenport; St. Patrick, Southold
	Wyandanch	
<u>Deanery 5:</u>	<u>Deanery 10:</u>	<u>Deanery 14:</u>
St. Raphael, East Meadow	St. Patrick, Bay Shore	St. Thomas More, Hauppauge
Holy Family, Hicksville	St. John Nepomucene, Bohemia	Holy Cross, Nesconset
St. Ignatius Loyola, Hicksville	St. John of God, Central Islip	St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma
St. Bernard, Levittown	St. Mary, East Islip	St. James, Setauket
St. James, Seaford	St. Peter the Apostle, Islip Terrace	
St. Brigid, Westbury	St. Lawrence the Martyr, Sayville	



2010 Parish Social Ministry Survey Responses

SO MUCH MORE THAN FOOD!

Parish Social Ministry/Outreach programs offer many opportunities for parishioners to live out their baptismal call to love and serve others. Ninety-two out of 113 parishes that have some type of PSM/Outreach program (81%) across Long Island responded to a survey over the summer reporting the many services they provide. Below are some of the many ways people express their faith by volunteering their time and gifts through Parish Social Ministry/Outreach.



Growing Partnerships: Planting Seeds Beyond the Parish

Mary Weiler coordinates the PSM program at *St. Sylvester in Medford*. Mary and PSM volunteers make regular visits to the local public officials representing the districts of the parish. These relationships are mutually beneficial in their service of the people in the community. Mary describes these relationships as “collegial, challenging and reciprocal.” Legislators and their staff can provide information that assists PSM clients. The Outreach received legislative grants that benefit the food pantry. The PSM program, in turn, can respond to needs of constituents in crisis who call their legislators. Mary regularly shares the monthly data reports of clients served by PSM to inform legislators about the needs of their constituents.

Deacon Frank Keach and Catherine Dennis lead the PSM effort at *St. Patrick in Bay Shore*. Along with their staff and teams of volunteers, the PSM program operates a soup kitchen serving breakfast and lunch, five days a week. Parish organizations, local schools, scouts and businesses support the soup kitchen and outreach in many creative ways with donations of supplies, resources and time. The Commissioner of the Suffolk County Department of Social Services (DSS) visited the soup kitchen and outreach at the request of a parishioner. County staff were shocked at the volume of people being served and felt a collaboration between the parish and DSS would benefit the people of the community. As a result, DSS provides a worker once a month to assess people at the soup kitchen for eligibility for various benefits and facilitate applications where appropriate.