

Social Ministry Information

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Ministry: Project Linus

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Ministry Purpose: Make and distribute blankets to hospitalized children, abused children and teens undergoing dialysis.

Activities: Volunteers make blankets in their own homes. They are made using specific size and material specifications. The blankets are crocheted, knitted or quilted based on the interest and skills of the volunteers. Twice a year the blanket makers gather for a coffee at STM and bring their blankets. Tags and labels are affixed to the items in preparation for distribution. The number of blankets made varies from time to time with the spring 2010 event yielding 55 blankets.

Number of Participants: About 16 ladies are making blankets now. The number was greater a few years ago.

Challenges:

Special Needs from Parish: Need to recruit more volunteers who like handiwork activities

Other: Project started about 10 years ago in one of the small church communities. At that time they were making blankets for children suffering from cancer.