



“Shawls . . . Made for centuries, universal and embracing, symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving God. They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace, mother hug, shelter, and beautify. Those who have received these shawls have been uplifted and affirmed, as if given wings to fly above their troubles.”

Janet Bristow, founder

Prayer Shawl Ministry

WHO ARE WE?

We are a small group of devoted knitters and crocheters who, with compassionate care, create prayer shawls for those in need.

WHEN DO WE MEET?

We meet on the second Saturday of the month from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the portable classroom at St. Pius X School.

WHO RECEIVES SHAWLS?

- St. Pius X parishioners
- Patients at:
 - St. Vincent’s Medical Center
 - Bridgeport Hospital
- Sisters of Mercy (Sr. Eileen Boffa)
- Daughters of Charity (Sr. Theresa Tremblay)
- Malta House, a home for expectant/new mothers in East Norwalk

OTHER:

We participate in the December scarf and hat drives in Bridgeport for the local poor.

We donate our “ends of skein” to Kenya Educational Service Trips (KEST). The yarn is sent to the Nyumbani Village in East Africa, where women use the yarn in weaving baskets that they then sell on behalf of AIDS orphans.

We knit red newborn hats for the American Heart Association for distribution in February.

We have supported veterans thru the Fallen Soldiers at Andover Air Force base.

We help the local hospital NICU by donating premie baby hats.

All are welcome to become a part of this very special ministry. For more information about the Prayer Shawl Ministry, contact Ann Devine at anndevine@optonline.net.