

## St Martha's Guild

We are a member of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of the Diocese of New York. We support the Bishop in his goals for the Episcopal Church. We also belong to the Staten Island Inter-Parish council of churches (IPC) and attend their meetings.

We reach out to the Community and are particularly interested in improving the Education, Economic Condition and Safety of Women and Children.

Through our hard work and generous donation of time, food and prizes, we are able to donate money to Ascension, Safe Horizons (battered women), Alzheimer's, Global Medical Relief (who replace limbs for children from war torn countries)-. We also donate to United Thank Offering. We donate clothing, hats, gloves, coats, sheets, blankets and cash to "Brother's Keeper Quilts" who make sleeping bags for the homeless. We give generously to food banks as well.

We hold bake sales twice a year and raffle off gift baskets at different events. Our yearly Music Event is a major fund raiser.

We have 16 members. About half are working women and cannot attend all our meetings as the retired members do. All pitch in to help at all events. Dues are \$10 per year.

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month (except July and August) after the 9:30AM healing service, Eucharist and coffee hour.