

KNITTING CIRCLE

The Knitting Circle gathers once a week on Fridays from 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Keeping with the motto of the group “*From Warm Hearts To Warm Hands!*”, the members of the Knitting Circle knit and crochet hats, mittens, scarves, afghans and other knitted goods to send to the Assumption community in Chaparral, NM and to supply other agencies and



organizations which serve the disadvantaged. The Knitting Circle is open to any person interested in knitting or crocheting, whether a beginner or a pro, no experience necessary. Donations of yarn, needles and patterns are much appreciated.

THE KATE O'NEILL SPIRITUAL LENDING LIBRARY

Named after the co-foundress of the Religious of the Assumption, the Kate O'Neill library opened its doors at Assumption Center in October of 2008. It is a lending library of spiritual books with topics ranging from prayer and spirituality to saints, , peace and justice, aging, etc. The library is open on Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Fridays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and has special materials for liturgical seasons and feasts.



COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Assumption Center began its community garden in early 2009 with only two beds in order to promote sustainability, green living, and to lessen our carbon footprint. The idea was to grow produce to share among different families in the neighborhood and involve everyone in its upkeep. Community members, Sisters, AMAs and Center friends volunteer time and service to help maintain this space. The garden, *Semillas de Vida*—The Seeds of Life, has grown to 7 beds and over 30 gardeners, many of whom are children! The garden allows the Assumption Center family to live a more environmentally conscious way of life.



The Assumption Center
is a ministry of the Religious of the Assumption
at the service of the Main South and
Columbus Park neighborhoods.

*Want to know more?
Interested in getting involved?*

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ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

English as a Second Language classes are taught at St. Peter's Church by various community volunteers, ranging from retired teachers to college students and AMA volunteers. The class levels are from Basic through Advanced and are offered twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



A minimal fee is charged to cover the cost of the book used in class. The program begins in September each year and runs through spring/summer, but we receive students at any time.

VIETNAMESE CLUB

Vietnamese Club was initiated to reach out to the children in the Vietnamese community in Worcester to help them embrace their culture and language and to share this experience with other children their age. Open to children ages 6-10, the club aims to help the children practice Vietnamese and enjoy learning the language through games, songs, poetry, and stories. The camp is held for two weeks in June.



MENTORING

The Assumption Center runs a youth mentoring program at St. Peter's Church on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:30-4:45 p.m. Children, ages 6-13, are paired one on one with college



mentors who help with homework, reading, arts and crafts, games and much more. Since 1996 the mentoring program has provided a safe, supportive and fun environment for children to spend their after-school hours.

GIRLS WITH DREAMS

**Determination • Respect • Energy • Aspiration •
Motivation • Spirit**

Girls With DREAMS is an after-school program created for girls aged 11—14 that allows them to share time together, work on fun projects, learn about healthy lifestyles and develop their sense of self. Activities include creative arts, baking, recreational games, gardening, community service and much more! The girls come together Tuesdays from 2:30—5:00 p.m.



ASSOCIATE MISSIONARIES OF THE ASSUMPTION

The Associate Missionaries of the Assumption (AMA) is the lay volunteer program of the Religious of the Assumption. The AMAs reside at Assumption Center and live with other young women in the Cana Community. The AMAs help to organize



and run the Center's programs and have been essential to the start and maintenance of the Center and its activities. The office of the AMA director is housed at the Center.

CANA COMMUNITY

The Cana Community is composed of AMAs and other young adults who desire to live the Assumption spirit of community, prayer and service for one year. They help in the mission of the Center



through their presence and their care of the house, and witness to the joy of being disciples together. They meet regularly with the Assumption Sisters for meals, prayer (and Halloween pumpkin carving!)