



CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE
OF PALM BEACH

Interfaith Health & Wellness Annual Awards

Catholic Charities Diocese of Palm Beach *Interfaith Health & Wellness*, held its 17th Annual Awards Luncheon at the National Croquet Center, in West Palm Beach to a sold-out crowd of Palm Beach supporters who understand the mission of this vital community program.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Palm Beach *Interfaith and Wellness Outreach Program* collaborates with local churches, senior residences, and different faith communities to promote whole person care of the mind, body and spirit. The program collaborates with community nurses who are Registered Nurses that serve as health advocates and educators who help facilitate the mission of this program. These dedicated and compassionate nurses help fill a gap in our healthcare system, by outreaching to homebound, elderly, homeless, and those most in need in the local community.

Chairwomen were **Mary Ierardi** and **Elizabeth Ailes** of the **St. Edward Catholic Church Women's Guild** and **Margaret Donnelly** served as the Honorary Chairperson.

Martha Ahr received the *Mother Teresa Award* for her years of service advocating for children. **St. Bernadette Catholic Church Nurse Team** was presented with the *Faith Community Nurse of the Year Award*. And the **Frank J. Lewis Foundation** was recognized with the *Pope Francis Leadership Award*. Award winners were chosen for their lifelong dedication and service in helping those in need in the community.

Guest Speaker **Dr. Phyllis King, Ph.D.**, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Dean, School of Nursing spoke about resilience and fortitude during the changing needs of the communities they serve and the importance of supporting the nurses who work in the community.

For more information regarding events and support to Catholic Charities Diocese of Palm Beach Outreach Programs call the Development Office at 561.360.3334.

FIRST ROW: Luncheon venue; **SECOND ROW:**

Mary Ierardi and Elizabeth Ailes; Florence Berney, St. Edward Church Women's Guild President, with Joanie Huff; **THIRD ROW:** Dr. Phyllis King and Carol Lindner,

RN - *Faith Community Nurse of the Year* Team Leader; Martha Ahr and Bernadette Macy; **FOURTH ROW:**

Ellen Wayne, CEO of Catholic Charities and Marietta McNulty; Rev. Archimandrite Glen J. Pothier, Pastor, St. Edward Catholic Church and Alicia Branch Stafford.

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