

Heart of the Community Award

is presented to

Hope House Ministries

Hope House Ministries Hope House Ministries is a multi-faceted human service agency encompassing housing, counseling and educational assistance for individuals and families in crisis. Hope House and Fr. Pizzarelli have been trailblazers in the Long Island community in efforts to combat drug addiction, homelessness and suicide. Joined by a dedicated staff of social workers, occupational therapists, nurses, substance abuse counselors, private counselors, legal experts and volunteers, Fr. Pizzarelli's 12 programs now serve thousands of people each year. Hope House ensures that young people in crisis are provided safety, structure and counseling services to address the circumstances that led to their homelessness. Women and children are also afforded positive alternatives to abusive relationships, ex-offenders are given opportunities for a new lease on life, those experiencing mental illness return to healthy lifestyles and those living with addictions experience the freedom of recovery.

Fr. Pizzarelli is a Montfort Missionary and Hope House Ministries is founded in the spirit of St. Louis de Montfort, who had a commitment to the poor. Marissa Pullano is a life-long parishioner at St. Louis de Montfort Church located in Sound Beach, New York where Fr. Frank is a Parish Assistant Priest. Marissa is honored to continue to support the very important work of Hope House Ministries.

