

First Parish: Active in the World

At FP Milton, we strive to “Grow Deep Faith and Take Bold Action.”

Some of our activities over the past 10 years include:

- *The Milton Residents Fund, Parish Members Fund, and Martin-Swift Funds:* Under the direction of the Trustees of the Parish Funds and administered by our social worker, these three funds each year provide approximately \$200,000 of financial assistance to Milton residents in need.
- *Father Bill’s House:* preparing and serving meals to homeless folks in the nearby town of Quincy
- *Milton Food Pantry:* food drives serving residents of Milton
- *Renewal House:* Mother’s Day gift drives and meals prepared for residents of a domestic violence shelter run by the UU Urban Ministry
- *Jericho Road Project:* providing leadership, startup funding, and steering committee membership for the founding of this new project for nonprofit capacity-building in Roxbury
- *Mother’s Day Walk for Peace:* annual participation in and fundraising for the Louis D Brown Peace Institute in Dorchester, which supports families of violence victims and promotes peace education in the Boston schools
- *Handcrafting Justice Fair Trade Sale:* annual holiday tradition selling fair trade goods at church to support women in developing countries
- *Occupy Boston:* provided meals and support to occupiers in downtown Boston
- *Pride Boston:* annual march for LGBTQ awareness and support
- *Milton Interfaith Refugee Assistance:* support of interfaith organization providing settlement assistance for incoming refugees
- *Katrina Recovery Work Groups:* organized by First Parish, two groups of volunteers went to New Orleans in the wake of Hurricane Katrina to assist with rebuilding