

2009 Memorial For The Homeless



Crusader Clinic Health Care for the Homeless Program will sponsor a memorial to honor the twenty homeless that have died in our community this past year. The Memorial service will be hosted at **Carpenter's Place** next **Tuesday, December 22nd**, from **10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** The event reflects on the lives of those who died while homeless and celebrates the community's continuing commitment towards creating a society without homelessness.

The service will be led by **Father David Beauvais, Retired Pastor of St. James Catholic Church** and a member of the **Carpenter's Place Board of Directors**, and will include a candle lighting ceremony; a message of comfort and hope will be delivered by **Pastor Bob Taylor of Rockford First Assembly of God Church**, Scripture reading by **Pastor Eric Keller of Bethany Presbyterian Church**, songs of praise by **Beverly Owens of Pilgrim Baptist Church** and music by **Roberta Gambrel of Broadway United Methodist Church**.

Please join us to remember those who were homeless and passed away during the past year.

Tuesday, December 22nd

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Carpenter's Place
1149 Railroad Avenue
Rockford, IL 61104
815-964-4105**

This event is held in conjunction with National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day and similar services will be conducted throughout the country. Each year since 1990, on or near the first day of winter and the longest night of the year, the National Coalition for the Homeless (NCH) has sponsored National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day to bring attention to the tragedy of homelessness and to remember our friends who have paid the ultimate price of homelessness.

For additional information, contact Sheri Glover at Carpenter's Place, (815) 964-4105.

About Us

Crusader Community Health serves the Rock River Valley area with quality primary health care for all people in need.

Carpenter's Place provides the tools necessary for rebuilding the lives of the homeless. Inspired by Christ's compassion, Carpenter's Place offers direction with accountability to people with broken lives, helping them find peace with God, themselves, and their communities.



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