

Books on Parish Nursing

- The Essential Parish Nurse, Rev. Deborah Patterson: Pilgrim Press, 2003. A practical resource for churches and nurses that are interested in developing a parish nurse program. Provides descriptions, tools, and other resources that will help the development of a program.
- Faith Community Nursing, Janet S. Hickman, Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2006. A good overview of parish nursing with a textbook-like quality for the specialty. Includes many samples, case studies, and discussion questions.
- Faith Community Nursing: Developing a Quality Practice, Carol J. Smucker RN PhD, Silver Spring, Maryland: American Nurses Association, 2009. Written by a nurse with faith community experience, this book provides an overview of the practice. Using stories and the scope and standards for the practice, she provides ideas and advice on shaping a program and following practice standards.
- Health, Healing and Wholeness: Engaging Congregations in Ministries of Health, by Mary Chase Ziolek, Cleveland: Pilgrim Press, 2005. More information on ministry and less on the nursing aspect. Describes the ministry of healing for churches.
- The Parish Nurse, Rev. Dr. Granger Westberg, Augsburg Books, 1990. A description of parish nursing as an essential ministry of any faith community. Explains the importance of physical and spiritual health as promoted by nurses on a ministerial team.
- Parish Nursing: Development, Education and Administration, Phyllis Ann Solari-Twadell, St. Louis: Mosby Inc., 2006. Particularly good on the development of the practice and includes areas helpful for coordinators.
- Parish Nursing: Healthcare Ministry within the Church, Mary Elizabeth O'Brien, Jones & Bartlett Publishers, 2003. An easy to read volume that offers a practical, spiritual perspective on this nursing specialty.
- Parish Nursing: Promoting Whole Person Health within Faith Communities, Phyllis Ann Solari-Twadell and Mary Ann McDermott, ed. Thousand Oaks: Sage, 1999. Describes many different settings of Parish Nursing.

On Spiritual Care:

- Spirituality and Health Care: Reaching Toward a Holistic Future, John Shea: Park Ridge Center, 2000. Written about faith based leadership and healthcare systems.