

December 2024, January, February 2025

OUR MISSION

Threshold Ministries exists to bring everyone no matter what their background into a living relationship with Jesus and his people.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called, Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne, and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it, with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this." Is 9: 6-7

Emmanuel, God with us! What wonderful and glorious news! We praise God for Jesus, born to us, born for us. Over this Advent and Christmas period we especially pray, maranatha, Come Lord Jesus, bring your kingdom of peace, justice and righteousness to reign in our communities, in prisons, on the streets and across Canada.

Ongoing Prayer Requests:

Threshold House - Pray for the staff **Mairlyn** and **Jeremy** and for the men of Threshold House. For healing and wholeness in Jesus for the men and for those who lead and work there.

Street Hope Peterborough – Pray for **Darrin** and his team of volunteers. Pray for those he meets in shelters, halfway houses, and tent encampments. Pray for hearts for open hearts as they meet people this Christmas time that many would encounter Jesus.

Saint John & Fredericton FCRP – Pray for Mark and his work with men coming out of prison, for the building of relationships and restored lives.

Street Hope Victoria – Pray for **Lisa** and her team as they go out on Tuesday nights on Pandora Avenue that the love of Jesus would go too. Pray for open hearts, that those on Pandora would receive Jesus the greatest gift.

Moncton Chaplaincy – Pray for **John Paul** with Moncton Chaplaincy and his work in restoring hope as men return to community from prison.

Toronto Chaplaincy – Pray for **Jonathan** and the work at Keele that healing, and restoration would come in Jesus Name.

CoSA New Brunswick – Pray for **Eden** and **Carolyn** as they work to set up CoSA NB. Pray for all the people who will be involved, for those supporting and being supported.

Toronto Women's Chaplaincy – Pray for **Kyla** as she accompanies women coming out of prison. Pray that the Lord would give her spiritual discernment and the women would see the hope there is in Jesus.

Sunday, December 1

John Paul Weston, Moncton Chaplaincy, Moncton. For community chaplain John Paul and for a successful surgery and full recovery at the end of November and for God's continuing grace over him and the chaplaincy while he is off work.

Monday, December 2

Linda Fleming, Saint John, NB. Please pray for Linda as she helps her clients at the Pregnancy Resource Center get ready, physically and spiritually for the Christmas season.

Tuesday, December 3

Deanna Fillion, Parkland County, AB. Deanna's husband has been away most of the Fall in his new role at the Edmonton Garrison. Please pray for the Fillion's as they will be able to spend 3 weeks all together before Nathaniel needs to go away again. And pray for safety of their new house from freezing pipes, pests and storms while they will be away for part of that time.

Wednesday, December 4

Rob Langmaid, Edmonton, AB. Please prayer for Rob with his ministry as a

Chaplain with the Canadian Armed Forces.

Thursday, December 5

International Volunteers Day – Today we give special thanks for all our volunteers! Father God, we are grateful for all those who volunteer across Threshold Ministries. We ask your blessing on them. Strengthen them in their work and continue to renew their heart with your mercy and compassion. Amen.

Friday, December 6

Eden McAuley, CoSA, Moncton, NB. With winter just around the corner our thoughts turn more again towards our very large homeless/addict population here in Moncton. Please pray for them and those who are trying to help.

Saturday, December 7

Jason Haggstrom, Long Cove, NL. For the many events in the Parish, including planning for the future through Set Sail and for Preparations for Christmas.

Sunday, December 8

Aggie Flam, Saint John, NB. Pray for a place for me to stay where Ocie [my Bruskier] dog is allowed so I can spend my Christmas with family in Nova Scotia. I'm hoping it's with Friends or family.

Monday, December 9

Rob Pitman, Saint John, NB. Prayers for courses ending and the final assignments due over the Christmas seasons that with the business of the season these assignments won't suffer.

Tuesday, December 10

Lisa Warden, Victoria, Street Hope Victoria, BC. Please pray for the SHV as they give out Christmas bags this evening. Pray for those who will receive them that may know and experience Jesus the greatest gift this Christmas.

Wednesday, December 11

Merv Budd, Burlington, ON. Please pray for our annual Comfort and Joy service on December 11th. As we seek to provide the comfort and hope of Jesus to those who have lost loved ones and find Christmas a particularly hard time of year.

Thursday, December 12

Lisa & Rod BrantFrancis, Tyendinaga, ON. For a holy and joy filled season of encountering in new ways the incarnate Christ. For us and our people to grow in relationship with Christ and one another in this beautiful season and for God's story ... the Word made flesh ... to speak new love, peace, joy and hope into our hearts, lives, families and community.

Friday, December 13

Deborah Moyo, Victoria, BC. Please pray for Debs and Mandla as they welcome their new baby and settle into being a family of three.

Saturday, December 14

Debora Kantor, Cambridge-Narrows, NB. Prayers please for our teaching session on the Holy Spirit finishing in December and for a follow up group.

Sunday, December 15

Deb Everest, Thunder Bay, ON. Please pray that the good news of Advent will be proclaimed in Thunder Bay, by Deb and the congregation of St. George's Church.

Monday, December 16

Rus Blanchet, Saint John, NB. Please pray for the Outreach dinner at St Luke's where I assist with the meal and say grace.

Tuesday, December 17

Philip & Kathryn Noll, Caledonia, ON. Please pray for the men's group in our church that will be providing and serving a Christmas Dinner to the residents of Gradatim Lodge in Hamilton.

Wednesday, December 18

Mairlyn Otis & Jeremy Robinson,

Threshold House, Saint John, NB. Please pray that the men of Threshold House feel the love and support of the Christian community over the Christmas Holidays.

Thursday, December 19

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Dec. 19th Cafe Church 'goes-a-caroling' on the streets, handing out Christmas gifts and singing good news songs of hope and joy. Please pray hearts will be receptive and encouraged, and that wanderers may find their way home.

Friday, December 20

Ed Keeping, Saint John's, NL. Prayer for people to prepare spiritually for the birth of the Christ -Child.

Saturday, December 21

Jonathan McMurray, Toronto Chaplaincy, Toronto, ON. Pray for spiritual hunger to grow amongst the men I work with. Pray that it matches the physical hunger I observe every time a community group brings in food donations!

Sunday, December 22

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Dec. 23rd This is our 'Meal to the the Keele" Correctional Center evening. Pray the men will experience the healing, restoring love of our Saviour.

Monday, December 23

Darrin Gaudreau, Street Hope Peterborough, Peterborough, ON. Please pray that as we prepare our Christmas bags for outreach to our shelters, halfway houses and homeless encampments and that many hearts will be touched by the love of Jesus as individuals receive a special gift bag filled with hope on Dec 23.

Tuesday, December 24

Rick Sandberg, Edmonton, AB. I would thank you for prayers for the health and safe arrival of grandkids 3 and 4 due in the spring, and for my daughter Leah and daughter-in-law Kaylynn. Please also pray for the children of many of our young offenders -- that they would have secure and loving families as well.

Wednesday, December 25

Merry Christmas! Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen.

Thursday, December 26

Ron McLean, Severn, ON. May peace be your gift this Christmas and your blessing all year through.

Friday, December 27

Kyla Sinclair – Peters, Toronto, Women's Toronto Chaplaincy, ON. Please pray for the Christmas parties happening at halfway houses - for the women to feel seen and loved, and for these parties to build deeper connections and trust with the halfway house staff and the women on parole.

Saturday, December 28

John Paul Weston, Moncton Chaplaincy, Moncton. For the new NB government and increased cooperation between government, nongovernmental and faith-based groups working to reduce recidivism and restore offenders to healthy, contributing lives in the community.

Sunday, December 29

Lisa Warden, Victoria, Street Hope Victoria, BC. Divine wisdom & guidance for me as I step into the leadership role - specifically about potential new initiatives

Monday, December 30

Mark Cooney, Saint John & Fredericton FCRP, Nauwigewauk, NB. Prayer for the guys in both Springhill and Dorchester who are in the parole process and are reaching out, that I may be able to be a positive connection for them now and once they are released.

Tuesday, December 31

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Cafe Church hosts a New Year's eve 'party in the coffee shop'. Pray this truly will be a night of 'a new beginning in Christ' for many who join us.

Wednesday, January 1

Happy New Year! Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we grateful for the past year's blessings. Thank you for your faithfulness, your love, and your constant presence in our lives. We acknowledge your sovereignty over the days gone by and the days yet to come. Amen.

Thursday, January 2

Eden McAuley, CoSA, Moncton, NB. We are now fully engaged with developing and directing the newly established Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA) program in NB. As expected we have used all the good volunteers, we had available so far and we need more. Please pray that we are able to find and train more suitable individuals for this vital role.

Friday, January 3

Merv Budd, Burlington, ON. Please pray for our new staff heading up our Family and children's ministry position in a one-year contract.

Saturday, January 4

Rob Pitman, Saint John, NB. Prayers that the Clinical Pastoral Care course that has been postponed twice will actually happened as planned mid month and for safety on the Highway as I travel to Moncton for in person classes.

Sunday, January 5

Ed Keeping, Saint John's, NL. As we begin the New Year together let us pray for a revival in our nation.

Monday, January 6

John Paul Weston, Moncton Chaplaincy, Moncton. Please pray for the establishment of a regular Christian fellowship group for offenders in the Moncton area.

Tuesday, January 7

Jonathan Clarke, Etobicoke, ON. For the Christmas Luncheon for 100 seniors from Richview Residence 70% of whom do not know Jesus. Pray that they would encounter Jesus through the Advent stories.

Wednesday, January 8

Deanna Fillion, Parkland County, AB. Please pray for clarity for Deanna and

Nathaniel in how they are to serve the Lord and their church in Beach Corner, Alberta.

Thursday, January 9

Jason Haggstrom, Long Cove, NL. Thanks to God for providing another year's ministry in the Parish.

Friday, January 10

Rus Blanchet, Saint John, NB. Every Friday I help supervise at the Laundry Ministry at Stone church. Please pray for those we meet and use the service.

Saturday, January 11

Rick Sandberg, Edmonton, AB. Please pray that our young offenders would come to know the love of their heavenly Father, and true healing of their soul.

Sunday, January 12

Catherine Morris, Powell River, BC. Please pray for Catherine as she's involved in a healing prayer ministry on the Tla'amin First Nation lands near Powell River BC which resumes in January. Prayers for people to respond, and for changed lives and hearts by the power of the gospel.

Monday, January 13

Deb Everest, Thunder Bay, ON. Please pray for Deb for strength and enlightenment as she continues to undergo Theological studies at Thorneloe University.

Tuesday, January 14

Linda Fleming, Saint John, NB. Linda asks prayer for the visitation teams at

her church as they encourage newcomers to the country and show love for shut-ins during the winter.

Wednesday, January 15

Lisa & Rod BrantFrancis, Tyendinaga, ON. As a new year begins, we give thanks for God's provision for us and our parish in 2023 and we pray for his continued provision in 2024. Additionally, we pray for a fresh sense of God's vision and purpose for us as we enter the new year.

Thursday, January 16

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Please pray for us on Thursday evenings - Cafe Church on the Lakeshore, at Big Guy's Coffee Shop, west Toronto. Chatting about Jesus, who He is, what He's done and what life might look like if we got acquainted.

Friday, January 17

Philip & Kathryn Noll, Caledonia, ON. Please pray for our STEAM after-school program for children. We've been encouraged by the response but are looking for fresh ideas for programming and activities.

Saturday, January 18

Mark Cooney, Saint John & Fredericton FCRP, Nauwigewauk, NB. Pray for the guys at Parrtown and Hart House (Saint John) and Islandview (Fredericton). I am thankful for positive relationships being built and the opportunity to see growth in many of their lives.

Sunday, January 19

Ron McLean, Severn, ON.

Please pray for the wardens of the churches affected by regionalization in Huronia Deanery, (Diocese of Toronto) as they work towards forming a community together. Give thanks for all the clergy that continue to lead Sunday services in these churches.

Monday, January 20

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Please pray for "Meal to Keele" Correctional Center, as a team from CCSJ (Christ Church St James) brings in dinner from the outside for all those serving time inside in the hope that all will 'get on side' with Jesus.

Tuesday, January 21

Lisa Warden, Victoria, Street Hope Victoria, BC. Please pray for continued abundant provision of resources for Street Hope Victoria activities.

Wednesday, January 22

Threshold Board – Pray for Norbert Haukenfrers as he leads the Threshold Ministries Board. Pray for board members Doug Schindel, Bishop Susan Bell, Chris Dow, Ed Keeping, and Kathy Jeffries as they serve on the board. We thank God for their service and pray that God would fill them with wisdom, discernment

Thursday, January 23

Aggie Flam, Saint John, NB. Pray that I will grow in the use of ASL and signing for the deaf. I am loving the course so far. Learning every week! It started late fall.

Friday, January 24

Jonathan Clarke, Etobicoke, ON. Pray that the people who attend Celebrate Recovery would have the courage to keep coming back, and they would experience Jesus power in overcoming their Hurts, Habits and Hang-ups.

Saturday, January 25

Kyla Sinclair – Peters, Toronto, Women's Toronto Chaplaincy, ON. Please pray for many women who are transitioning out of halfway houses into the community on their own. Pray that they continue to apply everything they've learned and thrive in this greater independence.

Sunday, January 26

Paul Simons, Barrie, ON. For Holy Spirit's anointing on a newly formed Lay Ministry/Visitation Team in the Celebration Church family. Use us Lord, we pray!

Monday, January 27

Darrin Gaudreau, Street Hope Peterborough, Peterborough, ON. We continue to praise Jesus for the volunteers and supporters who enable the ministry of Street Hope Peterborough to reach out in our community with the love of Jesus! The many gifts that all of our partners bring to our ministry are being used by Jesus to change lives for His kingdom!

Tuesday, January 28

John Paul Weston, Moncton Chaplaincy, Moncton. Please pray for an increased longing for and belief in the power of forgiveness and the possibilities of new life in the kingdom of God on earth, across New Brunswick and Canada!

Wednesday, January 29

Rob Langmaid, Edmonton, AB. Please prayer for Rob with his ministry as a Chaplain with the Canadian Armed Forces.

Thursday, January 30

Mairlyn Otis & Jeremy Robinson,

Threshold House, Saint John, NB. Please pray that the men of Threshold House find work and stability while they continue their journey of recovery.

Friday, January 31

Jonathan McMurray, Toronto Chaplaincy, Toronto, ON. Pray for the spiritual "Release of the Prisoners" (Luke 4). The guys I work with are free from prison, but most are in bondage to addictions, anger and rebellion.

Saturday, February 1

Merv Budd, Burlington, ON. Please pray for our Alpha course: that many would come and that many will be reached.

Sunday, February 2

Linda Fleming, Saint John, NB. Many focus on romantic love in February. Linda would appreciate prayer as she seeks to spread the love of Jesus wherever her feet carry her.

Monday, February 3

Lisa & Rod BrantFrancis, Tyendinaga, ON. The month of Annual General Meetings ... may godly, effective, visionary, servant leaders be raised up by the Holy Spirit for our parish. Those who will work well as a team to strengthen and build up God's kingdom in this place.

Tuesday, February 4

Bruce Smith, Etobicoke, ON. Pray "God Coffee and Me" Bible study in Nimmans Thai Restaurant which happens every Tuesday, discovering what' so good about the good news!

Wednesday, February 5

Mark Cooney, Saint John & Fredericton FCRP, Nauwigewauk, NB. Please continue to pray for guys both in Saint John and Fredericton, that they may see the light of Christ in my life, regardless of their faith persuasion, and that they may take full advantage of the opportunities before them.

Thursday, February 6

Ron McLean, Severn, ON. Rev. Diane Fryer currently lives in a seniors complex called Spencer House in Orillia. She has been providing Holy Eucharist services on the 1st Thursday of the month for a period of time. Because she has severe arthritis, she has asked me to assist her with providing this service. Please pray for us as we reach out to the 15-20 people that attend each month.

Friday, February 7

Mairlyn Otis & Jeremy Robinson, Threshold House, Saint John, NB. Please pray that the programming at Threshold House will help the men strength their relationship with God.

Saturday, February 8

Jason Haggstrom, Long Cove, NL. For Annual meetings as we look to the way forward.

Sunday, February 9

Darrin Gaudreau, Street Hope Peterborough, Peterborough, ON. We have been offering a senior's chapel service at Marycrest for over 2 years as part of our SHP outreach and it is such a great service the second Wednesday of each month! Please pray that our chapel services will always have Jesus as the centre as we share with this wonderful group of people.

Monday, February 10

Eden McAuley, CoSA, Moncton, NB. Pray for our good friend and ex-offender B.G. who after many years of addiction, hard-living, etc., is now struggling for survival. At 69 years the odds are against him. Happily, his last few years have been good.

Tuesday, February 11

Jonathan Clarke, Etobicoke, ON. Pray that the 8 men and 6 women who are participating in Step Studies. Pray that as they dive deep into the 12 Steps of Recovery, Jesus would meet them where they are, and they would find peace.

Wednesday, February 12

Paul Simons, Barrie, ON. For the birth of our (Michelle and my) second

grandson! Safety, healing and strength for our dear daughter, Alana. Blessings over father/son-in-love, Josiah and brother/grandson, Ari!

Thursday, February 13

John Paul Weston, Moncton Chaplaincy, Moncton. For a powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the correctional institutions and into the lives of incarcerated people across our nation.

Friday, February 14

St. Valentine's Day - Father God, we rejoice in the wonder of creation, we give you thanks for the gift of human life and the many blessings that our relationships bring. Renew in us the fruits of your Holy Spirit; that love, joy and peace may abound in our homes, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saturday, February 15

Rick Sandberg, Edmonton, AB. Thank God for our volunteers, faithful in ministry for so many years (one for decades!). Pray the youth, who recognize the Spirit in the volunteers, would also come to true faith and be renewed by the Holy Spirit.

Sunday, February 16

Lisa Warden, Victoria, Street Hope Victoria, BC. Please pray for the outpouring of light and redemption on the community we serve.

Monday, February 17

Deanna Fillion, Parkland County, AB. Please pray for Deanna and Nathaniel as the two of their miscarried babies anniversaries are today. One being miscarried on this day in 2021 and the second being the due date for the baby lost in July. And pray that the grieving it will not interfere with their daughter's birthday on the 21st.

Tuesday, February 18

Philip & Kathryn Noll, Caledonia, ON. Please pray for renewed impetus in spreading the gospel to residents of our growing community.

Wednesday, February 19

Jonathan McMurray, Toronto Chaplaincy, Toronto, ON. Pray for a new desire amongst Kingdom people to engage with hurt and lost people. We need an expression of love that is in line with 1 Cor 13.

Thursday, February 20

Ed Keeping, Saint John's, NL. Let pray for the church throughout our nation that revival may happen within. People may return to the church hearing positive messages.

Friday, February 21

Rus Blanchet, Saint John, NB. Every Friday I help supervise at the Laundry Ministry at Stone church. Please pray for those we meet and use the service.

Saturday, February 22

Threshold Board – Pray for Norbert Haukenfrers as he leads the Threshold Ministries Board. Pray for board members Doug Schindel, Bishop Susan Bell, Chris Dow, Ed Keeping, and Kathy Jeffries as they serve on the board. We thank God for their service and pray that God would fill them with wisdom, discernment.

Sunday, February 23

Rob Pitman, Saint John, NB. Prayers for new mission projects being launched over the winter that it will bring people together as we serve Jesus.

Monday, February 24

Deb Everest, Thunder Bay, ON. Please pray for our community connections with the Ecumenical Refugee Resettlement Committee of Thunder Bay.

Tuesday, February 25

Kyla Sinclair – Peters, Toronto, Women's Toronto Chaplaincy, ON. Please pray for true transformation in the hearts and minds of the women who are reintegrating into the community. Pray for a deep desire to change and a heart to know God more.

Wednesday, February 26

Rob Langmaid, Edmonton, AB. Please prayer for Rob with his ministry as a Chaplain with the Canadian Armed Forces.

Thursday, February 27

Aggie Flam, Saint John, NB. Pray that God will enable me to become part of an artist's group so I can grow in this area of gifting and worship.

Friday, February 28

Catherine Morris, Powell River, BC. Please pray for Catherine as she's involved in a healing prayer ministry on the Tla'amin First Nation lands near Powell River BC. Prayers for people to respond, and for changed lives and hearts by the power of the gospel.

Saturday, March 1

Marilyn Otis & Taylor Hayes, Saint John, NB. Please pray for Marilyn and Taylor as they oversee the finances of Threshold Ministries. We thank God for all those who faithfully give and ask that we would continue to flourish.