

Fri 24 Let us pray for the continued deepening of our prayer lives at St. Paul's. We bring before the Lord "Prayer Time at St. Paul's" held every Sunday between 10:30 and 11 and all those who participate in the Prayer Chain. May they look to the Lord as a source of continuing strength for their prayers. □

Sat 25 We give thanks for our Outreach Programs and pray for our Outreach Committee as they plan for the fall. Today we thank God that we are able to help in the Habitat for Humanity build and pray for all those who will be actively participating.

Sun 26 This week, in the Diocesan Cycle, let us support St. John, West Toronto and St. John, Weston and their outreach programs. Let us pray for the Bridge service today as we complete the sermon series - *Jesus on Money* and begin next week the new Series - *David: Living after God's own heart*, praying too for the Small Group session which follows the service.

Mon 27 We pray for the ongoing ESL cafés on Monday nights. With the summer influx of immigrants and visa students, we ask the Lord to provide volunteers for the program and that there may be supportive relationships.

Tues 28 We pray for our youth leaders - may they have a real break from everyday activities during the summer. We pray too for a good team of youth leaders for next year.

Wed 29 As we come to the mid-point in the summer vacation, we pray for all our staff and congregation that they may enjoy a time of rest and relaxation, and that, as they travel, the Lord will keep them safe on their journeys.

Thur 30 Let us remember in prayer our shut-ins who may not be able to get out to enjoy the summer. We pray that they may always be aware of the Lord's presence. May we at St. Paul's help them to maintain some of their connections outside the home.

Fri 31 We ask the Lord's blessing on our rector, Barry and on Cathy as they begin a month's vacation. We pray for safe journeys and a return to St. Paul's after a blessed and restorative time away.



Daily Prayer Themes For July 2009

Wed 1 Let us pray today, Canada Day, for our country, for our leaders and for our whole community. May our many cultures grow closer in peace and love. We thank God for the many blessings we enjoy as Canadians.

Thur 2 As we begin a new month, we continue to pray that the Lord's Will be done as decisions are made about the many changes taking place within our community. We bring before the Lord the Leadership Council, the Wardens and the Treasurer asking that His strength will uphold them.

Fri 3 Let us uphold The Reverend Ryan Sim who has joined us this week as Associate Priest. We pray that he may feel truly welcome into our community as he starts his new ministry with us.

Sat 4 We give thanks for the many people who are serving St. Paul's with a renewed sense of vision and purpose. Praise God for the new energy arising and the hunger for things of God within our parish.

Sun 5 In the Diocesan Cycle, this week let us support in prayer – St George-on-the-Hill and St. George, Willowdale and their outreach programs. At St. Paul's - we raise up the Children's Ministry and their Summer Art Program which starts today. We ask the Lord to bless Linda as she leads and all the children who will participate each Sunday this summer.

Mon 6 We pray for the Search Committee for the new Music Director as they review the candidates. May the Lord be present in all their deliberations and may the person whom the Lord has chosen to lead us in music be made evident to the Committee.

Tues 7 Pray for today's noon Holy Communion service –held from 12:10 to 12:45. We pray that those people on their noon break who would like to come to a midweek worship time may be led to St. Paul's for the Tuesday noon service. Let us thank God for this service held every Tuesday all year.

Wed 8 Let us up lift the Small Group Ministries. During the summer, may those who participate in that program continue to feel connected to each other and within St. Paul's until programs resume in the fall. May the Lord guide the Equipper's Team as through the summer they develop next year's Small Group Ministry Plan.

Thur 9 Let us give thanks for the ministry of Shelley Tidy as she joins the Ministry Team this month as Pastoral Care Associate. We ask the Lord's blessing on her as she begins this vital role in our church community.

Fri 10 We give thanks for the joy of the summer. We uplift all our youth who will be enjoying the summer at a camp. May many find blessing at Ontario Pioneer Camp. Let us raise up the leaders and campers and pray that over their time at camp they may grow closer to the Lord and to each other.

Sat 11 We pray for the choir and uplift especially Janet Peaker, our interim organist and Frank Nakashima, the interim choir director. May they all find blessing and peace with joy as they participate in the services.

Sun 12 This week our Diocesan prayers support St. George House, a LOFT program and St. James, Orillia and its outreach. Let us bring before the Lord, today's worship services at our church, St. Paul's. May the Lord's blessing be on those who preach and may the presence of the Holy Spirit be felt by all who come.

Mon 13 Let us uphold Tim as he returns from two weeks vacation. May he, Laurie and Joshua have found the Lord's peace and restoration in their time away. We pray for Tim and the seven people he is discipling through this year. May the Lord's working in the lives of those being discipling bring them to greater depths of faith.

Tues 14 We give thanks for Elita Fung and the ministry to St. James Town. We pray for the work of the Toronto City Mission Camps, praying that their interns may be built up as a team, working in unity for God. Let us pray too for the "Teens Leading Communities" (TLC's) – may God bring them to a saving faith in Jesus Christ as they work through the summer. As the summer and family camps grow, we pray for deepening of relationships between participants and that the Holy Spirit will work in the families. May all those who come to the camps come to know Christ.

Wed 15 Let us bring before the Lord Anne Crosthwait's ministry within Contemplative Fire. May she find the Lord's blessing in all her activities in her new ministry.

Thur 16 Let us raise up Nancy Truscott, our parish nurse, and her work within our parish giving thanks for her support of our pastoral care needs last month. We uplift all those who are completing the Divorce-Care Course tonight. May they feel the Lord's presence as they go forward sustained and encouraged by their recent experience. May God bring all those in need to the next Divorce-Care Course in the fall.

Fri 17 Let us uplift Jenny Andison during her leave from St. Paul's and secondment to the Bishop of Toronto. We pray that she will know the Lord's presence as she seeks to use her gifts and skills in Evangelism to serve the wider church.

Sat 18 We give thanks for the work of Janet Earle with the Children's Ministry and pray that she may have been refreshed and restored during her holiday. Over the summer, we ask the Lord to raise up new team members for the Children's Ministry, especially for the Bridge.

Sun 19 Pray that all those who come to the Sunday Services today will feel welcome and find spiritual support at St. Paul's. Let us uplift all those who were baptized or confirmed last month, may they know the joy of being loved by God as they continue to grow in faith.

Mon 20 In the week ahead, we pray for St. James Cathedral and their out-reach programs and St. John, Peterborough. With these difficult economic times let us bring before the Lord all those who are in need, praying that we at St. Paul's may be a source of support for many.

Tues 21 We uphold Joyce Badley, our Executive Pastor, as she takes on additional responsibilities for the Facility and Support Ministries. We pray for all the office and facility staff who work to support our church throughout the year and ask for the Lord's guidance in the search for a new Parish Administrator.

Wed 22 We give thanks for our Ministry Team. We uphold: Barry as he leads us through the transitions ahead, Tim, as he leads and plans for the Discipleship Ministry, Jenny, on secondment to the Bishop of Toronto, Ryan joining us in Community Life Ministries, Matt and his work with Youth and Outreach, Joyce and her increased responsibilities as Executive Pastor, Janet and her work with our children and Shelley our new Pastoral Associate.

Thur 23 We give thanks for Matt and his work with our youth. Let us pray for restoration for him over the summer and the Lord's guidance as he plans the year ahead.