
So what's happening in your Parish?

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Mission to Seafarers Update

Dear Friends

It has been a busy spring. To the end of July, we have assisted 63 ships and transported 830 seafarers, and volunteers have staffed the Seafarers' Centre for 91 shifts. It has been the busiest season since I started in 1994! Thank you to our dedicated Driver/Watch Keepers for your efforts!

The big news in the port is that the railway strike began today at 0001. Any ships that are waiting for cargo will be at anchor until the strike is settled and the trains start moving again. Cargo is in port for 3 ships and they ought to load and depart early next week.

We are looking for a couple of more Driver/Watch Keepers. One has retired this summer and another will retire this fall. For more information check out www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay/Volunteers.html. If you know someone who is interested, please get in touch with me.

In Christ's service,

Ed

The Rev'd Canon Ed Swayze

Chaplain

Mission to Seafarers: Port of Thunder Bay

Suite 450, 100 Main St.

Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6R9

807-344-8241 Seafarers' Centre

807-626-2571 cell

www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay

Office Hours: Monday 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and by appointment.



Snapshot of Services

	2023	2022
Seafarers Transported	1,359	971
Seafarer visitors to the Centre	202	200
Ocean-going ships visited/serviced	132	99
Christmas Gift Bags (ships)	226 (12)	232 (12)
Volunteers	26	25

Goals

Direct Ministry

- Provide ministry to seafarers and port personnel who request our services.
- Visit seafarers aboard ocean-going ships in the Port of Thunder Bay.
- Transport seafarers to shopping, the Seafarers' Centre and upon request to worship or for a tour of city.
- Operate the Seafarers' Centre as a welcoming place where seafarers are provided with an opportunity to connect with volunteers and relax. Seafarers are offered free of charge:
 - communications facilities to contact their family;
 - Bibles in various languages; and
 - warm clothing.
- Deliver Christmas Gift Bags to crew on ocean-going ships in December.
- Offer an annual Blessing of the Fleet service for local mariners.



Providing Resources to Minister to Seafarers

- Educate the community about seafarers and enhance the profile of the Mission in the community.
- Attract, train and retain volunteers.
- Fund raise to operate the local station and provide for capital improvements.
- Work with Mission to Seafarers: Canada (MTSC) and the North American Ministry Association (NAMMA) in order to share practices and information so that the Thunder Bay station maintains standards of ministry consistent with other MTS stations.



2023 Annual Report

June 19, 2024

Our Mission is to promote the spiritual, moral and physical well-being of Seafarers and their families world-wide.



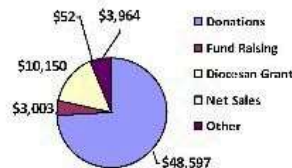
Caring for seafarers around the world

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Treasurer's Report

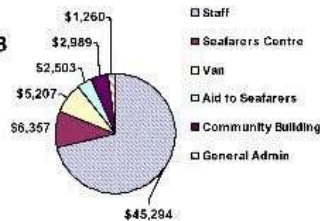
Our Gross Total Income was \$65,765.74, which was higher than the previous year due to a generous donation.

Income 2023



Expenses were \$53,610.25, which was higher than the previous year. A Volunteer Appreciation Social was held, which had not been held for several years due to COVID, and because more seafarers were being driven, fuel cost was higher.

Expense 2023



We are looking for a Treasurer. Thank you to Margaret Capon and Iyl Barndy, who as Assistant Treasurers, ensured that the petty cash bookkeeping was done, bills were paid and donation receipts were issued.

We thank you for your past support and pray for your continued support.

The Rev'd Canon Ed Swayze
 Chaplain

Board of Directors 2023/2024

Chair	Vice-Chair	Secretary	Treasurer (non-voting)
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Barbara Braysnow-Huntaine	Janet Pike	Dorothy Phyle	David Stephens
Suzanne Jones	Irene Wyszynski	Krad Yoo	Susan / Cassie Pike
Non-voting			
The Reverend Canon Ed Swayze			
Ex-officio			
The Venerable Deborah Kraft			

Chair of the Board Report

What a busy season we had. Thank you to all our volunteers, new and continuing, including those transitioning to the combined role of Driver/Watch Keeper. As Chair, I value the members of the Board, committees, Driver/Watch Keepers, ship visitors, and all other "unsung" helpers. It takes a team to do this ministry, and we have one that is top notch.

Thank you to Canon Ed for your continuing energetic dedication. Thank you also for taking on the role of Treasurer and tackling the Financial Accounts not only for this year but also for years past. The time this took had implications, which you handled with grace, for your funds on ministry both at the centre and in the parish. Related to this, we add our congratulations to the recognition given you for your service by MTS and the Princess Royal.

I value your prayers and help as we work on stabilizing and growing the Seafarers' Centre's ministry by addressing its physical, financial, and volunteer bases.

I treasure being a part of this expression of faith.

The Rev'd Matthew Diegel
 Chair, Board of Directors



Chaplain's Report

In 2023 shore leave returned to normal, and the Mission resumed the previous level of activity. 2023 was our busiest year since 2000, in large part due to shipping peaks, which has increased due to the war in Ukraine.

Most ships now have Wi-Fi, which means seafarers no longer need to come to the Seafarers' Centre to use Wi-Fi. In response to this change, we are modifying how we use our volunteers; instead of a team of Watch Keeper and Driver (or for a shift), we are moving toward a single Driver/Watch Keeper.

The Volunteer Appreciation Social held at the Prince Arthur on February 29, 2024 was well attended. We have 24 volunteers, of which 14 have been with us for 5 years or more. Their dedication ensures seafarers are cared for.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported the work of the Mission in 2023. Thank you for your prayers, your financial support, and your time.

The Rev'd Canon Ed Swayze
 Chaplain



Looking for more ways to celebrate Honouring Our Children Season with us?

Check out our Honouring Our Children Colouring & Activity Book for kids and youth. Learn about the 7 Grandfather Teachings, get creative, and enter your colouring page for the chance to win a prize!

Children and youth are encouraged to decorate the last colouring page in the booklet and send it to us by Friday, August 30 to be entered to win a prize. Multiple winners will be chosen!

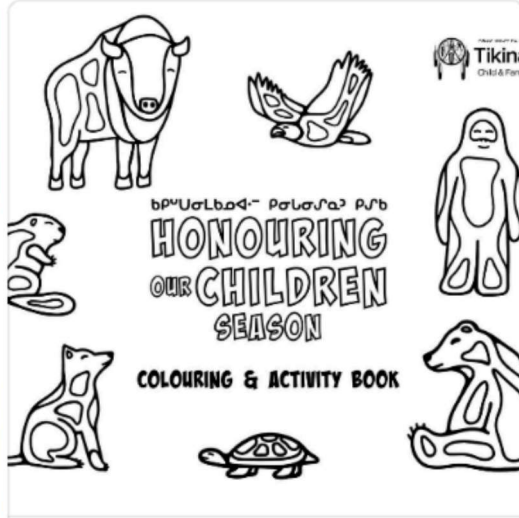
Click the link below to download the full booklet and visit www.tikinagan.org/hocday for more info on Honouring Our Children Season.

https://www.tikinagan.org/.../2024/07/HOC_colouringbook.pdf



HOC Activity Book

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Tikinagan Child & Family Services

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Thunder Bay & District Labour Council Labour Day Picnic 2024



Thunder Bay and District Labour Council (TBDLC) Labour Day Picnic welcomes Social Agencies and Organization to have a space to share information to the public at the Labour Day Picnic.

September 2nd from 12 pm – 4 pm.

The only criteria is that this is a no cost event, **so nothing can be sold**. The patrons do like give aways. As it is the day before school TBDLC will be giving away lunch bags.

If you are interested in participating please email info@tbdlc.ca to book a limited spot.

There is no cost for not-for profit social organizations that fit the philosophy of the Labour Council.

Sincerely,
TBDLC Picnic

Elder Abuse in the Canadian LGBTQ2SA+ Community: Qualitative and Quantitative Findings

Special Virtual Event

Elder Abuse in the
Canadian LGBTQ2SA+
Community: Qualitative
and Quantitative Findings

Presented by:
Gloria Gutman and Claire Robson

Tues, Sep 10 | 1:00 to 2:30 pm ET



This Special Event is co-hosted by the Learning Network
and Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario

Queer and trans older adults have lived through times when their sexual orientation/gender identity was criminalized and pathologized.

In this Special Event, **Dr. Gloria Gutman** and **Dr. Claire Robson** will share information on the lived experience of transwomen, gay men and lesbians including financial abuse, physical and sexual abuse, psychological abuse and neglect within partner relationships, in residential care, in home care, and from religious organizations. This part of the presentation is drawn from in-depth interviews excerpted in their book, published with Dr. Jen Marchbank and Makaela Prentice, titled *"Elder Abuse in the LGBTQ2SA+ Community: The Impact of Homophobia and Transphobia"*.

Part 2 of the presentation draws from analysis of data from the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging conducted by Drs. Gutman, Heather Stewart and Mojgan Karbakhsh. These analyses provide numbers not previously available, comparing rates not just by abuse type but also by victim sexual orientation/gender identity (SOGI). Perpetrator characteristics across abuse types and SOGI groups will also be reported - with some interesting differences highlighted.

Learning Objectives:

By participating in this Special Event, participants will enhance their ability to:

- Understand the nature, impact, and conditions of LGBTQ2SA+ elder abuse including the impact over the life course of homophobia and transphobia
- Acknowledge the incidence and prevalence of LGBTQ2SA+ elder abuse as compared with the abuse of heterosexual cisgendered individuals
- Offer recommendations for health and social care providers, others working with/advocating on behalf of older adults, as well as researchers.

This Special Event will be presented in English with ASL interpretation and closed-captioning.

[Click here to Register Today!](#)

HOSPICE NORTHWEST IS OFFERING A

VIRTUAL GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Facilitated By
Shannon Cormier
& Trena Roberts

Sept 14 - Oct 12, 2024 (5 weeks)
Saturday's from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
A **virtual** (Zoom) grief support group for
individuals living in the **District**



Hearts and Hope

Grief and Bereavement Support

For more information, or to register, please contact
Teresa Roberts, Regional Program Coordinator at 807-626-5570
Regionalcoordinator@hospicenorthwest.ca



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY CHOICES PROGRAM

WHO DID YOU LOOK UP TO WHILE GROWING UP?

We've all had special people in our lives that we admire – why not be that person for someone else?

If you're an adult who wants to give back to the community and youth, consider [volunteering for our CHOICES program!](#)

We're looking for individuals who have personal experiences they'd like to share with youth in the community that can help them forge their own path.

Volunteers participate [every week for 10 weeks as role models](#), supporting youth to find the right direction in life.

We know life can get in the way sometimes. If you're interested in volunteering but are concerned about personal barriers such as [transportation](#) or [child care](#), let us know and [we can help you out](#).

Volunteer opportunities are available beginning October 1

- Tuesdays 10:30am – 12:45pm
- Tuesday evenings 5:30pm – 8:30pm
- Wednesdays 11:30am – 1:45pm

➤➤➤ **2024 IN-PERSON TRAINING**
(Mandatory • 544 Winnipeg Avenue)
Saturday, September 21, 2024
9am – 3pm

APPLY TODAY!

You must be 19 years of age or older.



tbaycounselling.com



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[For more information, click here and visit the website.](#)
[Click here to download the poster](#)

TBNS Deanery Wild Ride 2024 to Support PWRDF's Global Refugee Work

Saturday, September 21 from 10am to noon



Bruce McKay is a CANBIKE certified instructor with Safe Cycling Thunder Bay



Walkers

- 10:00 am:** meet at St Paul's Garden and cycle with Bruce to Vicker's Park
- 10:30 am:** meet at Vicker's Park Ridgeway St
- 10:35 am:** Blessing by Archdeacon Deborah Kraft
- Cyclists and Walkers proceed to St Paul's by various routes
- 11:00 am:** Refreshments at St Paul's with a brief programme

For more details about securing pledges or donating, please contact your Parish Rep.

Or TBNS Deanery PWRDF Coordinator Dr Carol Knox at carolknox@gmail.com or phone 807-476-0715.



WEBINAR

Disclosure and Reporting of Abuse Against Older Adults

25th September 1:00 PM

Speakers:

Christine A. Walsh, Professor, Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary

Kerstin Roger, PhD, Professor, Department of Community Health Sciences Max Rady College of Medicine, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Manitoba

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Join EAPO and CNPEA for our upcoming Webinar :
Disclosure and Reporting of Abuse Against Older Adults
on September 25th

This webinar sheds light on why older adults do not seek help in cases of abuse through demonstrating three levels of barriers: individual, interpersonal, and systemic that impede on disclosures.

Based on research interviews with older adults with lived experience of abuse and service providers working directly with older adults in Alberta, the presenters will provide a case study and highlight the key themes that emerged from their study:

- ✓ Barriers to disclosure and reporting of abuse;
- ✓ Facilitators to disclosure and reporting; and
- ✓ Key tensions between service providers' and older adults' perceptions of the disclosure and reporting process.

They will also provide recommendations and action steps to increase awareness, promote disclosure, and improve services for older adults experiencing abuse.

[Register Now](#)

Deanery Men's Breakfast Save the Date

Saturday, September 28

at Gathering Table, 228 Pearl St

Coffee on at 9:30 am, and sitting down at 9:45 am.

Jessie McFadden and Ryan Mackett from the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority will be our guest speakers.

Tickets are \$15.00 and they will be available from parish reps as of September 1.

In Christ's service

Ed

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Save the Date



2024 PWRDF Deanery Wild Ride for Refuge is **Saturday, September 21st from 10am to noon**. It will have a cycling and walking component with refreshments at St Paul's. There will be a brief bike safety talk at St Paul's before the cyclers go to Vickers Park to join up with the walkers.



Deanery Day Afternoon will be **Saturday, October 19th from 1-4:30 pm** at St. Thomas Church.

I-CRC

The Inter-Church Refugee Committee will be holding a fund raising dinner on **Friday, October 25th, 2024** at Trinity United Church.



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