

PARISH NURSE POSITION

Holy Trinity Church is an Anglican Parish in the heart of Thornhill, located steps from Yonge St. Working with a support team and the Incumbent, the Parish Nurse has a unique ministry and will develop, organize and maintain a health ministry within the parish, by planning and setting out goals, by working with an established Health & Wellness Committee comprising members of the parish, and by carrying out a healing ministry which promotes health and wholeness in the name of Jesus Christ. The Parish Nurse is a ministry that encompasses all members of Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill and, as opportunities arise, may enable the outreach of care to the wider community. The position reports to the Incumbent but also takes guidance from the Wardens and the Associate.

The position is part time, 21 hours/week, with an annual salary of \$27,720. Four weeks (without pay) may be taken for vacation during the year with 4% of gross salary as vacation pay, accrued over the course of the year and paid in July.

DESCRIPTION:

Qualifications:

- Be a current Registered Nurse in Ontario
- Preferably has a baccalaureate degree
- Has completed the parish nurse course material
- Has several years of nursing experience prior to becoming a Parish Nurse
- Reflects personal spiritual maturity in her practice

Major Responsibilities: The Parish Nurse will

Personal Health Counseling

- Discuss health problems with those seeking guidance and information.
- Make home, hospital and nursing home visits as needed.
- Offer presence and prayer during times of crisis and celebration.
- Make referrals as necessary.

Coordinate and Train Volunteers

- Encourage parishioners with health expertise to offer their skills regarding health-related issues and concerns.
- Be supportive of parishioners engaged in caring ministries.
- Work with, and support the activities of, the parish Health & Wellness Committee.
- Assess parish health needs, and train and empower others in meeting such needs where identifiable.
- Work with parish committees and groups where cooperative efforts would enhance health ministry.

Coordinate Networking of Resources in the Congregation and Community

- Work in conjunction with the clergy in the professional care-giving ministry of the church.
- Refer parishioners to various support services as needed.
- Maintain strong contact with other health professionals in the community.
- Act as liaison with community resources and services.