

## PRAYER SHAWL INSTRUCTIONS



Cast on 75 stitches. Knit 8 rows (stockinette stitch). Row 9: knit 5 stitches; purl 65 stitches; knit 5 stitches. Rows 10 thru 30: knit/purl stitches (end on a knit row). Remember to do the stockinette stitch at the beginning and ending of each row.

### **Making the cross:**

**Bottom of the cross:** Purl 31 stitches; knit 3 stitches; purl 31 stitches. (Remember to knit the stockinette stitch at the beginning and end of each row.) Complete 8 rows.

**Middle of the cross:** Purl 28 stitches; knit 9 stitches; purl 28 stitches. (The 2nd row begin with knit 28 stitches; purl 9 stitches; knit 28 stitches.) Complete 3 rows.

**Top of the cross:** Knit 31 stitches; purl 3 stitches; knit 31 stitches for 4 rows.

Reminder: The rows will alternate with either a knit row or a purl row.

**Center section of shawl:** knit and purl 175 rows ending with a knit row. Remember to knit the stockinette stitch at the beginning and end of each row.

### **Making the cross:**

**Top of the cross:** Purl 31 stitches; knit 3 stitches; purl 31 stitches for 4 rows.

**Middle of the cross:** Purl 28 stitches; knit 9 stitches; purl 28 stitches for 3 rows.

**Bottom of the cross:** Knit 31 stitches; purl 3 stitches; knit 31 stitches. (Remember to knit the stockinette stitch at the beginning and end of each row.) Complete 8 rows.

Repeat the beginning rows, knit/purl, 30 rows, beginning and ending with the stockinette stitch. Bind off.

### **Fringe:**

Cut 6 pieces of yarn 9 inches long. Using a crochet hook, pull all 6 pieces thru bottom and tuck ends thru loop and pull tightly.

I use a #5 size needle. This pattern takes 2 skeins of Simply Soft yarn.