

## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS – Sunday, July 23, 2023

\***Summer Worship Schedule:** Services at 8:00am, 10:00am, and 4:30pm.

\*Our Sunday **Children’s Program** will continue at 10:00am.

\*Our **Patronal Festival BBQ** will follow the 10:00am service. All are welcome!

\* **Choral Evensong**, one of our most treasured liturgies – each **Sunday at 4:30pm, join us!**

### St. James, the Apostle



“St. James The Greater”  
By Constantina Wood (2011)

Today marks the Sunday on which we keep our Patronal Feast. The actual day is July 25 – interestingly situated between the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene (July 22) and St. Anne (July 26). The church keeps holy days and remembers the great heroes and heroines of our past – James, Mary Magdalene, and Anne bright stars among them. While we never know as many biographical details as we would like, Saint James the Apostle is presented in the Gospels as ‘the brother of John’. He is also called James ‘the Greater’ in order to distinguish him from two other New Testament ‘James’. Like other disciples, he was called from his life as a Galilean fisherman to follow Jesus. He is one of the three disciples chosen by Jesus to witness the Transfiguration. He figures highly in gospel healing accounts, and the agony of the garden of Gethsemane.

In the Book of Acts we read of Herod’s persecution of the ‘new’ church and the beheading of James, making him the first of the apostles to suffer death for the sake of Christ.

James is one of the best-loved saints of the Spanish people; a legend claims that the body of James was miraculously transported across the Mediterranean in a stone coffin and rested at Compostela in Spain. His shrine has become one of the great centres of pilgrimage and to this day remains a much-visited shrine, and the destination of the Camino de Compostela, which so many are now walking. (With gratitude to the late Dr. Stephen Reynolds and his book: ‘For All the Saints’)

And so, our Cathedral is dedicated to the Patronage of this early saint – we don’t know exactly how or when the name ‘St. James’ came to be for this church – it was long before it was a Cathedral; indeed, long before the Diocese of Toronto existed. The naming of parishes has always been the prerogative of the Bishop, so it was probably Bishop Jacob Mountain, Bishop of Quebec (of which diocese we were then part) who named us – there is evidence that by early in the 1800’s, the name St James was being used. And St. James we have remained – first as a parish church and then as the Cathedral for the Diocese of Toronto.

Celebrating our Patronal Festival gives us a real chance to remember our forebears and benefactors, to give thanks for the wondrous ministry that has taken place here for so long, and to commit ourselves anew to the exciting work which is on our doorstep, and which lies in our future.

Peter Wall - Interim Dean and Priest-in-Charge

## COMING TO ST. JAMES, JOIN US!

**Our old organ console started a new journey to its new home  
and our New Organ Console Has Arrived!**



We were simply delighted to receive the new organ console from Létourneau Organs in Quebec. Once it is connected to the pipework, two years of detailed planning, beautiful carving, and sophisticated electrical and computer work will come to an end.

Our most sincere thanks to our donor **Peter Farah**, whose generosity has allowed this project to be fulfilled. The console is dedicated to his father, Canon Shafeek A. Farah.

Read the full article on our website: <https://stjamescathedral.ca/category/news/>

Thank you to our amazing property staff, Létourneau Organs, and our most generous donor for making this possible!

**The Inaugural Recital on the new organ console will be presented by David Briggs on Friday, September 22 at 7:30pm.**



Scan QR here

Tickets are \$25, join us with your family and friends!

**Get your tickets in one of these ways:**

\*Search for “David Briggs Recital” on Eventbrite.ca

\*E-transfer to [bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca)

*(Please specify “David Briggs Recital” in the message).*

\*At the Front Desk of the Cathedral Centre:  
Monday to Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

\*By cheque, payable to St. James Cathedral (65 Church Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2E9).

For more information, send an email to [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) or call (416) 364-7865.

## STAY UP TO DATE

### Patronal Festival BBQ: TODAY after the 10:00am service, all are welcome!



Today, join us for a celebration of the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, St. James! **Immediately after the 10:00am service**, we will gather on the Cathedral's **West Lawn** for food, fun, and fellowship. Let's celebrate together, his life and deeds as a community of faith.

### Next Sunday, July 30: Emancipation Day at The Cathedral



Next Sunday, join us at 10:00am for Choral Eucharist. Our Guest Speaker will be **Dr. Christopher Stuart Taylor**. He is the Associate Vice-President of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion & Anti-Racism (EDI-R) at the University of Waterloo.

He is also an Assistant Professor in the Department of History. Dr. Taylor completed his PhD at Western University (Canada) in History and Migration & Ethnic Relations (MER).

His book, *Flying Fish in the Great White North: The Autonomous Migration of Black Barbadians*, is available from Fernwood Publishing.

Formerly, he worked in the Ontario Public Service (OPS), beginning his career as a Policy Coordinator Intern in the Deputy Minister's Office at the Ministry of Labour. He was the Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator in the Ministry of the Attorney General's Diversity, Inclusion & Accessibility Office; a Senior Policy Advisor at Ontario's Anti-Racism Directorate; and Manager of Social Justice & Change Cluster at the Ontario Correctional Services College. He is a proud founding member of the University of Waterloo's Black Faculty Collective (BFC). "Emancipation: Its Legacy and Mandate".

### St. James Cemetery is hiring!

St. James Cemetery is currently hiring for the position of Cemetery Manager.

For more information: <https://stjamescemetery.ca/careers/>

Please send resume and cover letter by July 31, 2023, to Susan So, Executive Director, St. James Cathedral at [sso@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:sso@stjamescathedral.ca)

If this information fits your profile or you know someone who would be ideal for this position, please share it and help us spread the word.

For more information: Visit <https://stjamescemetery.ca/> or call 416-964-9194

## THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

**Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30am**

**Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm**

Monday to Saturday via the Cathedral YouTube channel

Monday to Friday in St. George's Chapel.

### VISIT US:

The Cathedral is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00am–3:00pm.

The Cathedral Centre offices are open Monday-Friday from 9:00am–4:00pm.

### TUESDAY:

Our Tuesday Organ Recitals are not taking place through July and August.

We'll be back in September, each week, for the full year.

### WEDNESDAY:

**Scripture Circle continues at 11:00am in the Cathedral Centre.**

*Scripture Circle will be on break for the month of August. We'll be back on September 13.*

### FRIDAY:

**Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.**

Our Cathedral opens its doors for guests to come in for a meal in Snell Hall.

### SUNDAY:

Our Sunday Children's Program continues at 10:00am.

Coffee Hour follows the 10:00am service.

### Road Closures:

Many of you who drive to church will be aware that summer road closures have begun. For more information, visit the City of Toronto website: [toronto.ca/services-payments/streets-parking-transportation/road-restrictions-closures/](http://toronto.ca/services-payments/streets-parking-transportation/road-restrictions-closures/)

## SUNDAY SERVICES – Sunday, July 30

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**10:00am:** Choral Eucharist

*(also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at [youtube.com/tordio135](http://youtube.com/tordio135)).*

**4:30pm:** Choral Evensong

*(also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at [youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto](http://youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto)).*

**Readings for next Sunday, July 30**

**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
- Emancipation Sunday:**

Genesis 29:15-28

Psalms 105:1-11, 45c

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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