ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, November 5, 2023 *Children & Families: Sunday school meets at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services.

***9:00am - Holy Baptism:** Please pray for *Jacqueline Layton, Andac Andy Akin, and Luis Darkiel Candelaria Belen* preparing for baptism, and for *Michael Quaglia* who will reaffirm his baptismal vows today.

***Today: The Young Adults Group** will be hosting **coffee hour** following the 9:00am and the 11:00am services.

I will, with God's help!



All Saints' Sunday

We mark the days between October 31 and November 2 as *Hallowtide* - a triduum in the Christian calendar consisting of three days of reflection, prayer, and thanksgiving for those who have died.

It is also a time when we renew our pledge as people of prayer and people of hope and promise. *All Hallows Even* (from which we derive "Hallowe'en") is followed by *All Hallows* on November 1 (All Saints' Day), and finally by *All Souls' Day* on November 2.

Like the Cathedral, many parish churches mark these holy days on *All Saints' Sunday*, when our liturgies place an accent on remembrance and thanksgiving. This is part of our Christian life and tradition in which we confront death with the mighty victory of the cross and God's work in and through the faithful. In such as time as this, our prayers for those who mourn and all who have died take on even more poignancy.

All Saints' Sunday is a day to remember and give thanks for that great cloud of witnesses – men and women who are distinguished by their extravagant love of God, which shines brighter than anything else about them. They are ordinary men and women whose love of God led them to do extraordinary things; and they provide us with examples of Christian living at its best.

In fact, many Anglican parish churches are named for a patron saint – Mary, James, Andrew, Michael, Matthew, Anne, Luke, and many others. The church at its best is an incubator for sainthood and perhaps that's why All Saints' Sunday is one of the days of the year when we celebrate Holy Baptism. Today, on November 5th we celebrate the baptism of Jacqueline, Andy, and Darkiel and the renewal of Michael's vows. We join with them in renewing our own Baptismal Covenant and the six promises that give our life meaning and direction. Let's pray for them and welcome them into God's family as people of hope and promise. And let's all respond as followers with deep commitment and hope, saying *I will with God's Help!*

The Rev. Canon Beth Benson - Interim Associate Priest

STAY UP TO DATE October 27-29: African Fashion Exhibit: Many Threads...One Cloth



Indeed, many threads were woven, brilliantly and creatively, into a magnificent new cloth this past weekend. What a thrilling and important event it was; how lucky we all are to have experienced it, and how blessed this community is to include the wonderful people we do, who can so lovingly 'put together such an amazing and beautiful exhibition. We learned, were moved, were dazzled by skill and vision, and were lifted up! Thank you, dear Nancy Mallett and Yosola Sholagbade-Adeoye, and your veritable army of helpers. We are all so grateful! Visit our Facebook and Instagram to see more pictures. Photos: Michael Hudson.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

- November 8 at 1:00pm Free Orchestral Concert: The talented *Orchestra Conservatorio de Musica Celaya* from Mexico will perform at St. James Cathedral. Admission is free.
- Remembrance Services: Lest we forget.



***Saturday, November 11 at 10:30am:** We welcome members of the Royal Regiment of Canada for their Remembrance Day Service at the Memorial Cross on the West Lawn.

***Sunday, November 12 at 10:15am:** Our cathedral community will gather at the Memorial Cross for the observance.

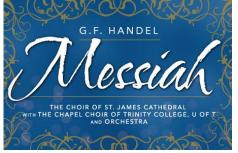
- Sunday, November 12 at 12:30pm: Join the Young Adults for a walk on the Toronto Islands! For more information: Mathew Waterman <u>mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca</u>
- Sunday, November 12: Celebrating Barbados 57th Anniversary of Independence Join us at the 4:30pm service: We will celebrate Barbados' Independence at St. James Cathedral. This service will be also live-streamed via the Cathedral YouTube channel.

COMING TO ST. JAMES

- Saturday, November 25 at 9:00am: Wycliffe College's Women's Breakfast The York Group is hosting a livestream from 9:00am to 12:00pm in the Lecture Room. Breakfast will be provided. To register, please call (416) 364-7865 or send an email to info@stjamescathedral.ca by November 19.
- Saturday, November 25, 2023 at 10:30am: Neighbourhood Family Advent Fair (Free) Join us from 10:30am to 12:30pm at the Cathedral Centre of St. James. We will gather to welcome the Season of Advent (which begins on December 2nd) with a special journey and enjoyable activities like face painting and Advent wreath making. To register or volunteer, contact Karyne Whalen at <u>kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca</u> or (416) 364-7865.
- Sunday, December 3: Organ recital & Advent Lessons and Carols Service *4:00pm: Organ Recital by Nathan Jeffery.

***4:30pm:** Advent Lessons and Carols Service. Enter into the season of Advent with this seasonal favourite service of readings and music! This service will be both in-person and live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel.

• Friday, December 15 at 7:30pm: Messiah by G.F Handel at St. James Cathedral: St. James Cathedral Choir, the Chapel Choir of Trinity College UofT, Orchestra, and soloists present Handel's masterpiece, Messiah. Artists from OCAD will paint canvases images based upon the libretto. Invite your family and friends! The perfect Christmas gift.



Get your \$25 tickets in one of these ways: *Sunday after 9:00am, 11:00am and 4:30pm services. *Eventbrite.ca: Search for *"Messiah St. James Cathedral"* *E-transfer to bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca (Specify *"Messiah"* and add phone/email in the message). *Cheque payable to St. James Cathedral (65 Church Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2E9).

***Front Desk** of the Cathedral Centre: Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. **For more information:** (416) 364-7865 or send an email to <u>info@stjamescathedral.ca</u>

ST. JAMES CEMETERY & CREMATORIUM – ANNOUNCEMENTS *Seasonal Wreath program: Purchase your wreath at the office to be placed in your loved one grave for the season. Also, a **section on St. Peter Road has plots available:** If you are interested or know someone who could benefit from this information, please share it.

For more information and/or to schedule an appointment: 416-964-9194 / <u>cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca</u> / <u>www.stjamescemetery.ca</u>

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30amHoly Eucharist at 12:15pmMonday to Saturday via the Cathedral YouTube channelMonday to Saturday 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: Organ recital on **November 7 at 1:00pm. Organist: Michael Capon** Admission is free, and donations are encouraged.

WEDNESDAY: The **Scripture Circle** gathers at **11:00am in the Cathedral Centre** to read and reflect on Scripture together. No experience is needed, all are welcome.

FRIDAY: Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. We welcome our guests in Snell Hall. **Drop-In Winter Donations:** Any gently used fall or winter clothing would be greatly appreciated. More information: Kathy Biasi <u>kbiais@stjamescathedral.ca</u> 416-364-7865 *222.

SUNDAY: Children & Families: Our Sunday Children's Program meets at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services. **Coffee Hour:** After the 9:00am & 11:00am services in Snell Hall.

Planned Giving

Bequest gifts to St. James Cathedral are a testament to our faith and the confidence we have in the future of our Cathedral family. You can name a specific ministry, like The Drop-In, or leave your gift undesignated, knowing that when the time comes it will be used to fund the area of greatest need. For information on opportunities for giving, please contact <u>wardens@stjamescathedral.ca</u>.



SUNDAY SERVICES – Sunday, November 12

8:00am: Said Eucharist
9:00am: Sung Eucharist
11:00am: Choral Eucharist
(also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at youtube.com/tordio135).
4:30pm: Celebrating Barbados 57th Anniversary of Independence (also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto

Readings for next Sunday, November 12: The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Remembrance Sunday)

Jos 24:1-3a, 14-25 Ps 78:1-7 1 Th 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13

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