

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, December 17, 2023

***Children & Families:** Sunday school meets at 9:00am & 11:00am services.

***Coffee Hour:** Following 9:00am & 11:00am services in Snell Hall.

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

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY AT THE CATHEDRAL



Let's celebrate together the miracle of the Incarnation when the blessings of hope, peace, joy, and love came to us in the child of Bethlehem. Everyone is invited. Join us with your family and friends.

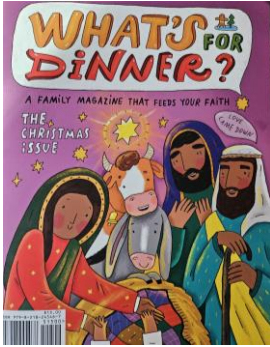
Please join us for these special Christmas services:

Sunday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve	Monday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day
8:00am: Said Eucharist	8:00am: Said Eucharist
9:00am: Sung Eucharist	9:00am: Sung Eucharist
11:00am: Choral Eucharist*	11:00am: Choral Eucharist*
4:00pm: Festive Organ Recital*	
4:30pm: Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols*	
7:30pm: Choral Eucharist*	

*Services will also be live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at youtube.com/anglicandioto

WE COUNT ON YOU

Advent and Christmas resources available for families



Help children know the true reason for the season with some colourful, engaging, interactive resources. These Christmas books for children and families will help tell the Christmas story:

Christmas Ornament Book (\$2); What's for Dinner Family Magazine (\$10) and Christmas Family Time (\$5).

For more information:

Karyne Whalen our Minister of Children, Youth, and Families at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca

St. James Cathedral Photo Directory

Please send your **current photo** with your name by **Friday, December 29** to wardens@stjamescathedral.ca. Sending your photograph means you consent to it appearing on appropriate Cathedral platforms. Thank you!

Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve at St. Bart's Regent Park

Sunday, 24 December at 11:00pm preceded by Gallery Carols at 10:30pm

Christmas Food Drive: St. Bart's Food Bank needs our help



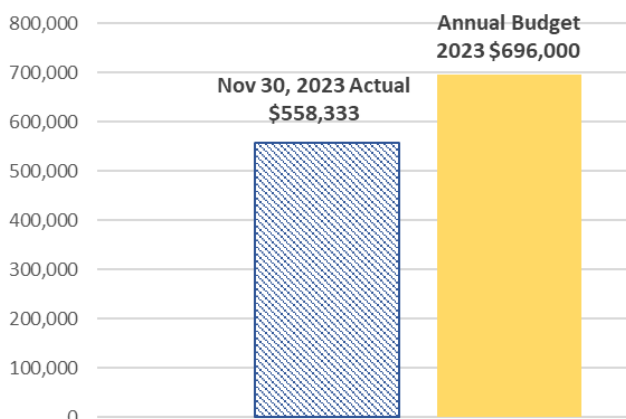
Please donate non-perishable food items in the **red bin** located in the **Cathedral** (King Street entrance) by **December 31**.

At St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church: Donations may be made to designated "Food Bank," either by cheque or by e-transfer to stbartstoronto@outlook.com.

For more information: 509 Dundas St E, Toronto - 416-368-9180

This is the giving season

Stewardship Offering



We thank you for your generous support throughout the year.

As of November 30, our stewardship contribution is 20% behind budget. We will need an additional donation of \$137,667 to make our budget this year. Your donation helps ensure the continuation of our vibrant ministries.

If you would like to make a year-end donation, please do so by December 31 to receive a tax receipt for 2023.

LOOKING AHEAD – 2024

Monday, January 1, 2024: New Year's Day & Bishop's Levee:



12:15pm: Said Eucharist

3:00pm: Festive Music*

3:30pm: Choral Evensong with the presentations of the Order of the Diocese of Toronto*

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Sunday, January 7: Dean Peter's Farewell gift and celebration



On **January 7, 2024** we will say goodbye to the Very Reverend Peter Wall, our Interim Dean and Priest-in-Charge.

On behalf of our St. James community, we are sincerely grateful to Dean Peter for his ministry; he has served us faithfully and well with kindness, care, and especially humour – he will be very much missed. We wish him and Anne all the best for the future.

If you would like to contribute to Dean Peter's farewell gift, you can make your gift at the Sunday offering *-specifying it is for the Dean's farewell gift-*, online through Tribute & Memorial Offerings *indicating it is for the Dean's farewell gift* - or drop it off at 65 Church St.

Save the date: Please **join us after the 11:00am service on January 7, 2024** to celebrate Dean Peter and his ministry at St. James Cathedral. Thank you, Dean Peter!

Sunday, January 14: Installation of the New Dean of Toronto and Rector of St. James Cathedral



On **January 14, 2024**, we will welcome The Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance.

He will be installed as Dean of Toronto and Rector of St. James Cathedral on Sunday, January 14, 2024, and begin this ministry on January 15, 2024.

Dean Stephen will become the 14th Rector of the Cathedral Church of St. James and the 9th Dean of Toronto.

Please welcome him and Jacqui with warmth and joy as we all begin a new ministry together in this place.

Save the date: Please **join us after the 4:30pm service on Sunday, January 14** to welcome the new Dean, all are invited.

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 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 **December 19 at 1:00pm. Organist: Jean-Paul Feo.**
Our Organ Recitals will be back on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 1:00pm.

WEDNESDAY: The **Scripture Circle** gathers at **11:00am in the Cathedral Centre.**

FRIDAY: The Drop-In will be **celebrating Christmas on Dec. 22** from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

SUNDAY: *Children & Families: Our **Sunday Children's Program** meets at both the **9:00am** and **11:00am** services.

***Coffee Hour:** Following the 9:00am and the 11:00am services.

Ways to Give Make a special end-of-year gift!

We are all so blessed in God's economy and have the joyous opportunity of sharing our blessings with others. Please make a special end-of-year gift in four different ways:

***E-Transfer:** to gifts@stjamescathedral.ca If you require a tax receipt, please provide name and address in the message. Tax receipts will be issued for gifts of \$20 or more after year-end. If you have questions, please contact gifts@stjamescathedral.ca

***Online:** <http://stjamescathedral.ca/donate>

***In-person:** If you would like to drop off an offering to the secure mailbox which is mounted in the Church Street vestibule at the entrance of the doors at 65 Church Street. **Please make donations by December 31 to receive a tax receipt for 2023.**

***By mail:** to St. James Cathedral, 65 Church Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2E9.

(Cheques must be post-dated no later than December 31, 2023)

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Readings for next Sunday, December 24:

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

2 Sam 7:1-11, 16

Ps 89:1-4, 19-26

Rom 16:25-27

Lk 1:26-38

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