

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, February 11, 2024 Celebrating Black History Month at St. James

- ***Children & Families:** Sunday school meets at 9:00am & 11:00am services.
- ***Coffee Hour:** Following 9:00am & 11:00am services.
- ***Visit us:** The Cathedral is open from 10:00am–3:00pm, Monday-Saturday.
- ***Today at 4:30pm:** We welcome the Choir of St. Jude's Anglican Church, Oakville.

Praying at a Threshold – Transfiguration Sunday



The end of the Epiphany season is already upon us, and Lent begins in just a few days. We are at the edge of a new season as we contemplate the wondrous story of Jesus' mountaintop transfiguration. The epiphany of Jesus' divine nature seems to unfold outside of time but soon enough it draws his friends - and us - back into time. They return to the "level ground" and carry on their ministry together, even as they travel with Jesus to Jerusalem, to the cross, and beyond.

This week we are invited to travel together, too. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and we will be invited to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God. The season of Lent is an opportunity to enter more deeply into the mystery of our salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Let's welcome and engage these 40 days as preparation for the celebration of Holy Week and the paschal mystery – the very core of our faith!

Watch Connections and E-Connections for updates – there is something for everyone.

Gathered on this threshold, drawing us from one season into another, let us pray:

Loving God,

I commit this coming season of Lent to you

And ask you to show me what I need to turn away from

And what I need to turn towards.

Shine your loving light in those dark parts of my heart,

And bring new life, new hope, and new possibilities.

Help me to walk more closely with Jesus

To know that I am deeply loved,

And to share his love with others.

Amen

+Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury

BECOMING THE STORY WE TELL

Making an Intentional Lenten Journey: The Season of Lent is a gift intended especially for those who are turning to the way of Christ in some new way. If this is the moment for you to become intentional about following the way of Jesus talk to Canon John Hill or email: bst@stjamescathedral.ca

Register now: Join a Small Group for reflection through Lent & Eastertide
Lent and Eastertide will be an opportunity for us to enter more deeply into the mystery of our salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. If you want to join, register now. **Small groups will begin on February 18.** Registration forms and online registration are available. **For more information** talk to Canon John Hill during coffee hour or email: bst@stjamescathedral.ca

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S, REGENT PARK

A ministry in collaboration with St. James Cathedral

***150th Anniversary Dedication Mass:** Join St. Bart's on Friday, February 16 at 6:15pm.

***Lenten Music at St. Bart's:** Full details here: stbartstoronto.ca/music-lent-2024.

***Outreach at St. Bart's:** Serving the disadvantaged for 150 years, St. Bart's welcomes volunteers and donations. Learn more: stbartstoronto.ca/outreach

THE YORK GROUP

**Wed., Feb. 28 at 2:00pm in the Lecture Room by Dr. David Mowat
Preventing Chronic Disease - Not What You Think!**

Did you know that chronic conditions such as heart disease, stroke, cancer, and diabetes are, collectively, the main contributors to rates of ill health, disability, death, and stress in the healthcare system?

Come and learn why the current approach to prevention - one person at a time - will not reduce the burden of chronic disease. No RSVP is required. We hope you will join us!

VESTRY 2024

Only on Sunday, March 10, we will have one main service at 10:00am and the Vestry meeting will follow after the service. Vestry Meeting will be chaired by our new Dean the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance. A light lunch will be served.

Sunday, February 11 after both the 9:00am & the 11:00am services

Town Hall – Nominating Committee in the Lecture Room (2ⁿ floor)

If you would like more information about the nominating process for Vestry Elections, you're invited to attend a town hall meeting on Sunday, February 11.

For more information on the Nominating process, please visit the News section at www.stjamescathedral.ca under Vestry 2024 or contact at: billbenson0520@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Today: Feb. 11 at 10:30am: Crosses from last Palm Sunday



Last year's crosses make this year's ashes.

Join us today at 10:30am between the 9:00am and the 11:00am services to burn the last Palm Sunday crosses and prepare them for Ash Wednesday services on February 14.

Join us! All are invited.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

PANCAKE SUPPER



**Tuesday,
February 13**



**From
5:30pm
to 7:00pm**

Full house! If you already RSVP for this event, please come, we'd love to see you! Gather your friends & family to mark the last day before Lent with a pancake supper. There will be children's activities, music and much more. This is a free event and donations are welcome.

Wednesday, Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday Services



All services include the Imposition of Ashes.

- **7:30am:** Said Eucharist
- **12:15pm:** Sung Eucharist
- **6:30pm:** Choral Eucharist (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel*).

The Cathedral will also be open for prayer on Ash Wednesday from 7:30am – 7:30pm

Sunday, Feb. 25 after the 11:00am service: Black History Month

Mark your calendar for a special Coffee Hour! There will be a musical presentation, a display of "Black Excellence" and samples of African and Caribbean finger foods.

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 February 13 at 1:00pm. Organist: Nathan Jeffery

Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

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

THURSDAY: February 22 at 1:00pm: Early Music at St. James in St. George's Chapel.

Artist: Louise Hung, Virginal. Admission by donation is encouraged.

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

We welcome our guests in Snell Hall for a nutritious meal.

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.

St. James Cemetery: Plots, services, and products available.

Contact: 416-964-9194 - www.stjamescemetery.ca - 635 Parliament Street, Toronto.

Sunday Services – February 18, 2024

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Sung Eucharist (*also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

11:00am: Choral Eucharist (*also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at youtube.com/anglicandioto*).

4:30pm: Choral Evensong (*also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

Readings for February 18:

First Sunday in Lent

Gen 9:8-17

Ps 25:1-10

1 Pet 3:18-22

Mk 1:9-15

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