ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS Sunday, March 31, 2024

*Coffee Hour: Please join us today after the 9:00am and 11:00am services in Snell Hall. *Children & Families: Sunday school meets every Sunday at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services. Email Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

*Today from 12:30pm to 1:30pm: Easter Egg Hunt in the Cathedral. All children welcome!



Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

So begins the liturgy for Easter Day. After the six weeks of Lent – a time of penitence and self-examination, spiritual discipline and good works – we bask in the glorious sunshine of Easter. Perhaps we become over-familiar with the Easter news and take it too much for granted. But the first disciples had no expectation that Jesus would be restored to life, and so the resurrection caught them by complete surprise. And it remains the most astounding news, that Jesus, three days after the Romans executed him, walked from his tomb to be seen by his friends and followers. Even more astonishing, the Scriptures assure us that his resurrection is a kind of prototype of our own. Death does not have the final word because Jesus is risen!

But how does that shape our thinking about our own deaths? After all, each of us will die someday. This Eastertide we begin a series called "Oh Death, where is thy sting?", with Sunday, April 7, 14, and 21 morning sermons and Tuesday gatherings on April 9, 16, and 23 at 1:00pm to help us begin that most difficult of conversations, touching on theology, ethics, and practical matters. Please RVSP for Tuesday gatherings at Coffee Hours after Sunday morning services. The York Group will host these gatherings and a contribution of \$10.00 is suggested to help cover the cost of lunch.

Today: Annual Easter Egg Hunt from 12:30pm-1:30pm



A fun event for the whole family. Invite the little ones, all are welcome!

Let's find lots of Easter eggs and get to know more about the Children's Ministry at St. James Cathedral!

This free event is indoors, and we will meet at the front doors of the Cathedral. Join us!

STAY UP TO DATE

Saturday, April 6 from 8:30am to 12:00noon: Women's Breakfast Event



The York Group warmly invites you to attend the Women's Breakfast event to be held in the Lecture Room. Wycliffe College presents "Silent No More! Reformation-era Women Who Refused To Keep Silent." Breakfast will be provided.

RSVP options: <u>stjamescathedral.ca/community/york-group/</u>, E-Connections (RSVP link), our website (News), or after services.

COMING SOON: SAVE THE DATE, INVITE YOUR FRIENDS & JOIN US!

Saturday, April 27: Call for Volunteers - 1st Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser



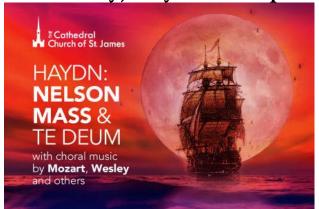


Trivia Night is coming, and we need volunteers to help us make this event a success. We need people to help with set up, guest registration, serving food, restocking food, selling food, drink, and 50/50 tickets, and, of course, the always popular clean-up.

If you are interested, **please contact Kathy Biasi** at <u>kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca</u> or 416-364-7865 Ext. 222. More information will come, stay tuned.

Also, we have a **limited number of tables and tickets**, so get them now by **scanning the QR code or visiting** stjamescathedral.ca/trivia-night-fundraiser2024/

Saturday, May 11 at 7:30pm: Haydn: Nelson Mass & Te Deum



*General tickets: \$30. Get tickets on Eventbrite (scan QR code).

*Become a Patron: For a donation of \$200, patrons will receive acknowledgement in the programme, two tickets, and our deepest gratitude. A charitable tax receipt will be issued in the amount of \$140.

Get Patron tickets by e-transfer to bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca (Please add a name, last name & email in the message).

St. James Cathedral Choir & Orchestra presents Haydn with music by Mozart, Wesley & others.

Director of Music: Thomas Bell

Soprano: Ineza Mugisha

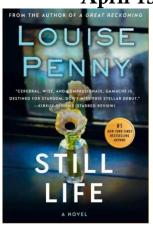
Mezzo: Christina Stelmacovich

Tenor: Charles Davidson **Baritone:** Jorell Williams



Programme notes: For many of us, the three composers who dominate the Classical period in music history are Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven. However, their music overshadows the fascinating music and lives of some of their less well-known contemporaries. The latter years of the eighteenth century were marked by both incessant warfare and a spirit of intellectual curiosity. Haydn's magnificent Nelson Mass and his celebratory Te Deum were both written at the time of the Napoleonic Wars. Both works employ the military instruments of the orchestra – the trumpets and drums – with arresting results, ensuring the lasting popularity of this music. The orchestra plays Samuel Wesley's Sinfonia Concertante, a charming symphony that never fails to delight.

April 13 at 7:30pm: "Music and Murder" Fundraising Event



All are invited to a "Music and Murder" fundraising event for the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine's guest house renovation. It will take place in Snell Hall, St. James Cathedral Centre. The evening begins with live music by nationally acclaimed jazz musician Nathan Hiltz and his quartet, followed by a live performance of a radio play based on Louise Penny's book Still Life. Tickets are \$75 for in-person, including a reception, or \$25 for online viewing via Zoom. Info & tickets on the Sisters' website: https://ssjd.ca/2024/03/20/music-and-murder-fundraiser/ Peter Wall, Colin Johnson, and Michael Burgess are among the members of the cast.

EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE AT THE CATHEDRAL: YOU ARE INVITED

Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30am

Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm

Tuesday to Saturday via the Cathedral YouTube channel Tuesday to Saturday in St. George's Chapel.

The Cathedral clergy and staff will be off tomorrow, Easter Monday, April 1. The Vicar will be away from April 2-9.

VISIT US: HOURS DURING EASTER WEEK

The Cathedral is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10:00am–3:00pm. The Cathedral Centre offices are open Tuesday-Friday from 9:00am–4:00pm.

*Tuesday: Organ recital on April 2 at 1:00pm. Sarah Mole (voice) & Nathan Jeffrey (organ). Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

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

*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 9:00am & 11:00am services.

St. James Cemetery: Plots, services, and products available. 416-964-9194 - www.stjamescemetery.ca - 635 Parliament Street, Toronto.

Sunday Services – April 7, 2024

8:00am: Said Eucharist

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

11:00am: Choral Eucharist (live-streamed on the Diocesan channel <u>youtube.com/@anglicandioto</u> and the Cathedral channel).

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

Readings for the Second Sunday of Easter:

Acts 4:32-35

Ps 133

1 Jn 1:1 - 2:2

Jn 20: 19-31

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St. James exists today through the gifts
of time, talent and treasure of both
past and present members of the
Cathedral community.



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