

## **ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, January 7, 2024**

**\*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.

**\*2024 Offering Envelopes** are available for pick-up today in the West aisle.

### **Adieu, with deep gratitude.**

The work of ordained ministry, particularly when it is centred on a particular community, such as this Cathedral, is an, at times, overwhelming privilege. The work of ministry is a huge gift – often challenging, always moving, sometimes complex and confounding, deeply comforting, and replete with opportunity and grace. And so, it has always been in my own ministry – I have been blessed beyond any comprehension or prediction.

What I have always been given in this vocation is a wonderful host of friends – a growing company of saints who have become imprinted on my soul and have welcomed me into their lives. I have constantly received so much more than I could ever have given. How fortunate I am!

So, thank you to so many – to colleagues and friends who form the dedicated and hard-working staff of this Cathedral. To Churchwardens and leaders whose generosity of time and skill is breathtaking. To singers and players who have delighted me over and over again and have brought me out of myself and nearer to God. To those who meet and plan, organize and work, to those who care so passionately for those whom we welcome into this place day by day and especially on Friday afternoons every week! To those who have read scripture, offered prayers, carried crosses and torches, censed God's people – such a committed group of souls. And to all those who have smiled, giggled, hugged, wept, forgiven, and put up with me! You are all friends – an unbreakable part of my life, and I will always be in your great debt.

To have been the Interim Dean of this Cathedral has been an enormous honour – one I will always hold in my heart, as I will hold each of you, with deep and abiding affection! The future here is bright and promising – what a joy it has been to be a part of preparing for that future.

May God's abundant and always present blessing be upon all who gather here.

My best,

The Very Rev'd Peter Wall  
Interim Dean & Priest in Charge

## STAY UP TO DATE

### Holiday Celebrations at the Drop-In



Post-COVID has allowed for the Christmas and New Year's celebrations to be brought back inside Snell Hall. It could not be the success it was without the generosity of the many donors and individual supporters. The guests expressed their thanks for the traditional Christmas with gifts and a turkey meal and the wonderful New Year's meal and treats provided by Biaggio Restaurant, their staff, and volunteers. Of course, nothing happens at the Drop-In without the dedicated Drop-In volunteers and those who volunteer at this special time of year. We would also like to thank The York Group, the volunteers who created and sold the 2023 Christmas Ornaments for the Drop-In, the chef Matt from Treeline Catering who cooked our turkeys, and Vinci for providing everything else for our Christmas celebration.

### Today: Dean Peter's Farewell gift and celebration



Today we will say goodbye to the Very Reverend Peter Wall, our Interim Dean and Priest-in-Charge. **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. Please **join us today after the 11:00am service** to celebrate Dean Peter and his ministry at St. James Cathedral.

### Next 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.

Please **join us after the 4:30pm service** to welcome the New Dean.

## PLAN AHEAD: 2024 AT THE CATHEDRAL

### The Children's Program meets every Sunday



All children ages 3-11 are welcome at St. James Cathedral at the 9:00am and 11:00am services for a fun and playful service about Jesus Christ being the center of children's lives.

Invite the little ones to enjoy and learn in our Sunday Children's Program and celebrate together the blessings of hope, peace, joy, and love.

Contact:

Karyne Whalen - Children's Minister:  
[kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca)

### Tuesday Organ Recital Series at 1:00pm



Our Tuesday Organ Recital series features some of the region's finest organists and the powerful sounds of St. James Cathedral's 5,000 organ pipes. Concerts begin at 1:00 pm and last about 40 minutes. Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

#### January 2024:

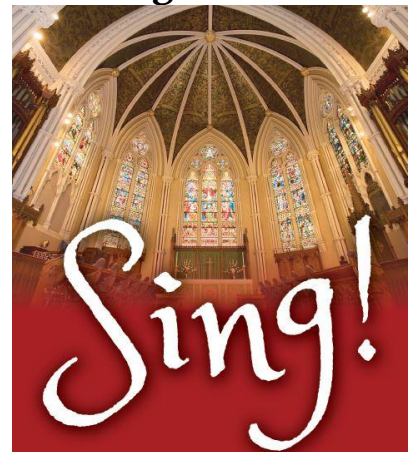
**January 9:** Mark Himmelman

**January 16:** Nicholas Wanstall

**January 23:** Sebastian Moreno

**January 30:** Imre Olah

### Sing with us!



The Choir of St. James Cathedral welcomes applications for both professional section leads and experienced amateur singers!

If you would like to join one of our choirs or know of others who would like to, contact Thomas Bell, Director of Music at [tbell@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:tbell@stjamescathedral.ca), who would be delighted to hear from you. **All voices are welcome!**

## 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 **January 9 at 1:00pm. Organist: Mark Himmelman**

Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

### WEDNESDAY:

The **Scripture Circle** gathers at **11:00am in the Cathedral Centre**. All are welcome.

### 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:** 635 Parliament Street Toronto, Ontario M4X 1R1, Canada

\*Plots, services, and products available.

\*Monthly Eucharist - the first Wednesday of each month at 11:00am at St. James Cemetery.

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## Sunday Services – January 14, 2024

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Sung Eucharist

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

**4:30pm:** Installation of the New Dean of Toronto and Rector of St. James Cathedral

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**Readings for January 14:**

**The Baptism of the Lord (Transferred)**

Gen 1:1-5

Ps 29

Acts 19:1-7

Mk 1:4-11

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