

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, February 2, 2025

Sunday Children's Program: Invite the little ones to the 9:00am & 11:00am services.

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

Today at 4:30pm: Ordination of Matthew Waterman to the Priesthood. A reception follows.
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, Rector; St. John the Divine, Houston.

Celebrating Black History Month at St. James



Jean Augustine

"The seeds of a fruitful society are sown in the minds of its youth."

She was the first Black Canadian woman to serve as a federal member of Parliament and as a cabinet minister. A teacher first elected in 1993 and re-elected three times, she also served as the patron of several non-profit organizations after leaving politics. In 1995, introduced a motion in the House of Commons to recognize February as Black History Month. The motion passed unanimously and took effect in 1996.

Message from the Rev. Kristen Pitts, our first Canon Missioner



Dear siblings in Christ: I am so delighted to be joining the St. James community as Canon Missioner. It is obvious that you are committed to sharing God's love with your neighbors in the city, and I look forward to serving among and alongside you as we grow together in faith. I bring to this role a deep well of experience as an educator and formation professional, as well as a passion for helping others find their place in the Christian story. Though I've served in a variety of contexts, my vocation has always been in meeting people where they are and helping them take the next step in their spiritual journey.

My family is also looking forward to meeting you. My wife Beth is a public interest attorney and enthusiastic native plants gardener. Our son Lev makes friends everywhere he goes and loves exploring nature, especially bugs. Beyond my vocation, I enjoy reading and various creative pursuits, including graphic design and playing the ukulele. We all also love trying out new cuisines, so we hope you'll share your favorite restaurant recommendations! As Dean Stephen shared last week, I'll be joining you all on April 27. Until then, please keep our family in your prayers as we prepare for this transition—and know that I'll be holding you in prayer as well. Faithfully, Kristen+

Organ Recital Series & Early Music at St. James



Join us at 1:00pm. Free events. Donations are welcome.

Tuesday, February 4: Sebastian Moreno

Tuesday, February 11: Manuel Piazza

Tuesday, February 18: St. Stanislav Youth Choir

Tuesday, February 25: Angus Sinclair

Feb 19 & 20: Early Music at St. James with Bud Roach.

Mark your calendars for a month of celebration every Sunday in February!



On Sundays: Music from the repertoire of Black Composers: Samuel Coleridge Taylor, José Nunes Garcia, Florence Price, David Hurd, Roderick Williams, Trevor Weston and Moses Hogan.

February 9 at 4:00pm: Organ Recital.

We are privileged to hear the Third Symphony of Florence Price (1887-1953) played by Joshua Duncan Lee, who will also join us at the organ console for Evensong. Invite your friends!

February 16 at 11:00am: St. James Celebrates Black History Month

Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Waterman

February 22 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm: International Potluck

Join the Black History Month (BHM) Committee and celebrate the diverse nations and cultures that make up our Cathedral community! Enjoy the BHM exhibit, trivia, music & food. If you want to prepare & share a cultural dish as part of the potluck, please contact us by email at info@stjamescathedral.ca, call 416-364-7865, or visit our website.

February 23 at 4:30pm: Diocesan Celebration

The Diocese celebrates the 30th Anniversary of the 1st Diocesan Black History Service, featuring St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Steel Band and The Ghanaian Anglican Church Drummers. Presider: Bishop Andrew Asbil, Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields.

February 26: Worship and bagged lunch with the York Group

The York Group invites you to join them for Holy Eucharist in St. George's Chapel, followed by a time of fellowship at 12:15pm with bagged lunch & drink in the Lecture Room.

March 4: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Mark the last day before Lent with a parish pancake supper from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

There will be food, a crafts table for kids, and music!

This event is free, but **please RSVP** on Eventbrite, through our website, email info@stjamescathedral.ca, or call 416-364-7865.

We are also looking for volunteers to help set up, serve, and clean up anytime between 4:00pm - 9:00pm. Want to help? Contact us.

March 5: Ash Wednesday Services + Children & Youth Exploration Day



Regular services at 7:30am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm.

All services include the Imposition of Ashes. The Cathedral will be open for prayer on Ash Wednesday from 7:30am – 7:30pm.

Children & Youth Exploration Day from 10:30am-2:30pm:

To register, visit our website stjamescathedral.ca/explorationday/, call 416-364-7865, or send an email to info@stjamescathedral.ca

March 8: The World Day of Prayer at St. James



The World Day of Prayer (WDP) is a global movement and ecumenical event that brings Christians together each year to share a day of prayer, learning, and celebration. Supporting women in sharing their faith and speaking about their lives in prayer and worship is an important part of this movement. This year it is our turn to host. Women of the Cook Islands have prepared the colourful liturgy. The Children's Program includes a song that is popular in the Cook Islands, as well as activities for coloring and flower garlands. Join us at 2:00pm in the Cathedral.

March 9: Vestry Meeting



Our next Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9, 2025 in Snell Hall chaired by our Dean the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance. Only this Sunday, there will be one combined service at 10:00am and the Vestry meeting will follow after the service. Light lunch will be served. More information will come.

March 16: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination



As we observe the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, we will inaugurate "The Marley Mass", a service inspired by the theology and lyrics of Reggae Superstar, Robert Nesta Marley and written by The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields. The service features seven of Marley's iconic songs. Join us at 4:30pm.

St. James Cemetery & Crematorium announcements

This Wednesday, February 5: Monthly Eucharist at St. James Cemetery

On the first Wednesday of the month at 11:00am all are welcome to a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel of St. James-The-Less.

Preplan your funeral and cemetery services



Preplanning gives you peace of mind and the opportunity to make your wishes known.

Cathedral clergy are available to assist with funeral plans and our cemetery staff would be pleased to help you preplan your interment and other cemetery services.

Protect yourself from future inflationary increases, too.

For more information: Please get in touch with the Vicar at sfields@stjamescathedral.ca, or George Vrozos our Cemetery Manager at cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca, or 416-964-9194.

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.

The Dean is away on winter break this week.

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 4 at 1:00pm. Organist: Sebastian Moreno.
Admission is free & donations are encouraged.

WEDNESDAY: The Scripture Circle is taking a break today and will resume gatherings this Wednesday, February 5 at 11:00am (Community Room).

FRIDAY: Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. We welcome our guests for a nutritious meal.

SUNDAY: 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.

Sunday Services – February 9, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

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

11:00am: Choral Eucharist (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*)

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

Readings for February 9:

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 6.1-13

Psalms 138

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Luke 5.1-11

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