#### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, February 16, 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.

## Celebrating Black History Month at St. James

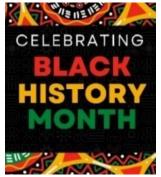


"Do your little bit of good where you are. It's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world."

Viola Desmond was a Canadian civil and women's rights activist & businesswoman in Nova Scotia.

Memorialized on Canada's \$10 bill, she challenged racial segregation at a cinema by refusing to leave a whites-only area of the theatre.

## Join us for a month of celebration every Sunday in February!



**On Sundays** enjoy music from the repertoire of Black Composers: Samuel Coleridge Taylor, José Nunes Garcia, Florence Price, David Hurd, Roderick Williams, Trevor Weston, and Moses Hogan. Music notes for this Sunday are available on stjamescathedral.ca

#### St. James Celebrates Black History Month:

Today at 11:00am: Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Waterman. February 23 at 9:00am & 11:00am: Preacher Denise Byard.

#### 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 to <a href="mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca">info@stjamescathedral.ca</a>, call 416-364-7865, or visit our website.

### February 23 at 4:30pm: Diocesan Celebration

The Diocese celebrates the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Black History Service, featuring St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Steel Band & The Ghanaian Anglican Church Drummers. Presider: Bishop Andrew Asbil & Preacher: 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.

# Until March 2: Scripture Circle - Epiphany Encounter with Christ

Enjoy a Scripture Circle series designed for anyone looking to encounter Christ afresh! Wednesdays at 11:00am (Community Room) & Sundays after the 11:00am service (Library).

#### March 2: Palm Crosses



Last year's blessed palm crosses and branches may be brought to the Cathedral and placed in the baskets provided at the back of the church. They will be burned after the 9:00am and 11:00am services on Sunday, March 2 on the West Lawn. The ashes will be used in the Ash Wednesday services at 7:30am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm.

# March 4: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



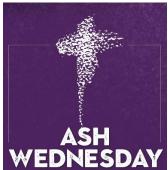
Mark the last day before Lent with a parish pancake supper from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

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

This event is free, but **please RSVP** on Eventbrite, through our website, email <u>info@stjamescathedral.ca</u>, 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



**Services** at 7:30am (Said Eucharist), 12:15pm & 6:30pm (Choral Eucharist). All services include the Imposition of Ashes.

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

Ashes to go at St. James from 1:00pm-2:00pm.

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

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

# March 8: Join us to celebrate The World Day of Prayer at St. James



The World Day of Prayer (WDP) brings Christians together around the world to share a day of prayer, learning and celebration.

Each year women from the host country share their region's concerns and hopes with Christians in 170 countries.

This year, women of the Cook Islands have prepared the worship service.

Financial offerings received at the service transform our prayers into action with project grants empowering women and children in our country and throughout the world.

Grants range from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00. In 2023-2024 fifteen grants were made, including 9 grants to Canadian organizations.

More info: wdpcanada.ca/grant-programs

Art: "Wonderfully Made" by Tarani & Tevairangi Napa. Join us at 2:00pm.

### March 16: Baptism preparation begins

Baptism preparation classes will be held on Sundays at 12:45pm, starting on March 16. Holy Baptism will be administered at the Easter Vigil on April 19 at 9:00pm. Contact The Rev. Matthew at mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

### March 16: International Day of 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 "Bob" 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 Outreach Program is looking for volunteers for working groups

We are looking for volunteers to sit on two working groups (the Drop-In Program and "Food for Thought' Drop-In Trivia night). If you are interested, please contact Kathy Biasi our Outreach Program Manager, at <a href="mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca">kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca</a> or 416-364-7865 \*222.

#### **VESTRY 2025**





# **Vestry List**

The Vestry List is available for viewing at the back of the church after service or at the Front Desk Mon-Fri 9:00am-4:00pm. Please email any changes to <a href="mailto:sli@stjamescathedral.ca">sli@stjamescathedral.ca</a>

# March 6: Pre-Vestry Meeting on Zoom

Pre-Vestry Meeting will be on March 6 at 6:00pm. If you are a member of Vestry and would like to receive the link to attend email <u>info@stjamescathedral.ca</u> or call 416-364-7865.

#### March 9: Vestry Meeting

Our Dean will chair our next Vestry Meeting. **Only this Sunday, there will be one combined service at 10:00am** and the Vestry meeting will follow after the service.

# Farewell to Nathan Jeffery

Nathan Jeffery has resigned as our Associate Organist. We are most grateful for his contributions to our music-making, worship, and overall community. We send him our very best wishes for his future musical endeavours. We have prepared a farewell card for Nathan at the back of the Cathedral for everyone to sign.

#### THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

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.

**Family Day:** The Cathedral & Cathedral Centre offices will be closed, and staff & clergy will be off tomorrow, Monday, February 17 for Family Day.

**Visit us:** 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:** Music at St. James on February 18 at 1:00pm. Organist: Manuel Piazza. Admission is free & donations are encouraged.

Wednesday: The Scripture Circle gathers 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 23, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Sung Eucharist (also on the Cathedral YouTube

channel at <u>youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto</u>)

11:00am: Choral Eucharist (also on the Cathedral YouTube

channel at <u>youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto</u>)

**4:30pm:** Black History Celebration Eucharist (also on the

Cathedral YouTube channel at <u>youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto</u>)

Readings for February 23: Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Gen 45:3-11, 15 Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50

Lk 6:27-38

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