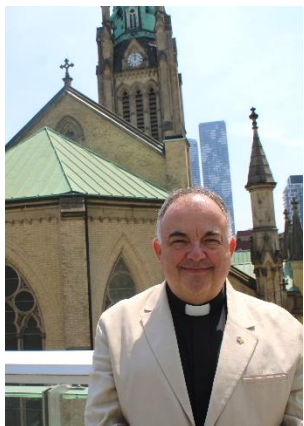


ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, August 24, 2025
Summer Services: Until September 1, services at 8:00am, **10:30am**, and 4:30pm.
Sunday School: At the 10:30am service. **Coffee Hour:** After the 10:30am service.

Message from the Dean



Happy summer, everyone! I hope you will have some time to recharge and relax over these summer weeks. Jacqui and I are spending August in the UK, visiting family and friends, attending the Greenbelt arts festival, and squeezing in a few days in beautiful Paris before returning home to Toronto. When we do return to our regular Sunday services at 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am & 4:30pm on Sunday, Sept. 7, we will be refreshing our 9:00am Eucharist with a new name, *Worship Together*, and an ethos of intergenerational participation. Following the Children's Community Choir Day Camp in late August, we will be launching the choir proper in September.

We have some great events coming up! Invite your friends, we look forward to seeing you:

- September 7: *Worship Together*, Blessing of the Backpacks, and Anniversary of Accession.
- September 16: I will be running my online course *Everyday Witness*. Read more below: www.toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/season-of-spiritual-renewal/season-of-spiritual-renewal-workshops/ or scan the QR codes for more information and to register.

Details here:



Register here:



- September 27: Annual Walk-a-thon at Edward Gardens in the morning
- September 27: 2nd Trivia Night Fundraiser in the evening
- October 4: Blessing of the Animals on the West Lawn
- October 5: Special Vestry Meeting
- October 25: Organist David Briggs in concert with *The Phantom of the Opera* (1925).

Get your Early Bird tickets now on stjamescathedral.ca/phantom2025/ (until August 25)

- Beginning October 26: Evensong guest preachers on the topic '*A Renewed Church*'
- Monthly Family Fun Nights and Community Playdates continue through the Fall

And then, of course, there is All Souls, All Saints, Remembrance Day, and Advent!

May this season of rest prepare us to receive the ongoing renewal offered to us by the Holy Spirit. This summer, let's take a pause to breathe so that, come Fall, we can be ready to play our parts, all of us, giving, praying, serving, and inviting, all for the sake of our city, which God loves and for which Jesus died.

Your friend, Dean Stephen Hance



Nominations are open now!

All parishioners are welcome to join the list of those willing to serve in our parish's Vestry or our Diocesan Synod. Nominations (self or other) for elected or appointed positions of Wardenship, Cathedral Council, and Synod representation are invited (1-yr commitment).

- **Info sessions: Sept 7, 12:30pm** (In-person, Lecture Room) & **Sept 10, 7:30pm** (Online – Please RSVP for Zoom link: info@stjamescathedral.ca or 416-364-7865)

- **Special Vestry: Oct 5.**

- **Diocesan Synod pre-meeting Oct 4/Diocesan Synod Nov 7-8.**

For more info: Visit stjamescathedral.com/vestry2025 or talk with a member of the Vestry Nomination Committee, Don Solomon, Louis Nettleton, or Carol Kysela at coffee hour.

Saturday, Sept. 6 at 10:00am: Monthly Free Community Playdate

Bring your family for a fun morning and enjoy coffee on us while the kids play, create, and connect with other families. Bring a friend and **register** at stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/

Sunday, Sept. 7: Blessing of the Backpacks (9:00am & 11:00am services)

We invite families to join us as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year! Bring your favourite backpack to church to be blessed & stay tuned for some exciting family faith-events.

Sunday, Sept. 7: 9:00am *Worship Together* service

Our 9:00am service has been refreshed for all ages and abilities.

Invitation: Join us for a preview on Sunday, Aug. 31, at 9:00am.

Want to volunteer? Join the information session on Saturday, Aug. 30 at 10:00am in the Cathedral.

Need help? Talk to The Rev. Matthew Waterman, Assistant Curate

For more details: stjamescathedral.ca/worshiptogether/



Sunday, Sept. 7 at 4:30pm: Anniversary of Accession

Join us as the Cathedral Community will celebrate the 3rd Anniversary of King Charles' Accession to the Throne (Sept 8) at Evensong. Preacher: The Rev. Canon Michael Burgess.

Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 2:00pm: Invitation from the York Group

The Rev. Matthew shares how his faith has evolved and the role of lay pastoral visiting.

Saturday, Sept. 20 at 9:30am: Rehearsals begin for our Children's Choir

We invite all children aged 6-16 who love music & singing to join our free Children's Community Choir. Rehearsals are on **Saturdays beginning Sept. 20, 9:30am to 10:30am** in the Cathedral Centre. Open to all! More info: Cara Halpin at chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca

Friday, Sept. 26 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night at St. James



Join us at 6:00pm for a free event for the whole family, including free pizza, drinks, detours, roadblocks, and chances to win prizes. After we share a meal together, the race will begin in Snell Hall. Theme: *The Amazing Race*- St. James Cathedral edition!

Please RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight/

Questions? Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca

Saturday, Sept. 27 at 10:30am: Refugee Walk-a-thon 2025

Mark your calendars! Marjorie Rudder Walks for Refugees at Edwards Gardens

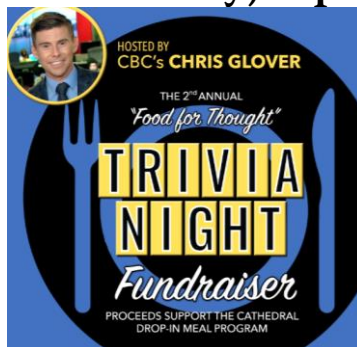


Marjorie Rudder will be leading the St. James and Community Refugee Committee in celebrating its 10th anniversary of sponsoring refugee resettlement with a fundraising walkathon. Invite your friends to help reach the \$15,000 fundraising goal.

Join us as we walk & show your support by donating to this cause!

Link to donate: stjamescathedral.ca/refugee-walkathon-2025

Saturday, Sept. 27: 2nd Trivia Night is back supporting our Drop-In!



Invitation: Come and have a fun evening with friends & family! There will be prizes for winners, an entertainment intermission, and a 50/50 draw with delicious food and drinks. It promises to be a memorable evening to support neighbours in need!

Call for Volunteers: Help us with set up, guest registration, serving, selling food, drinks, tickets, and clean-up.

Feel like helping? Contact Kathy Biasi, Outreach Manager at 416-364-7865 Ext. 222 or at kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca

Saturday, Oct. 25 at 8:00pm: Phantom of the Opera with David Briggs

Last days to get Early Bird Tickets (until Monday, August 25):



WITH LIVE ACCOMPANIMENT
BY WORLD-CLASS ORGANIST

DAVID
BRIGGS

Saturday, October 25
8:00 pm



Experience a truly unforgettable evening as world-renowned organist David Briggs brings the 1925 silent film classic *The Phantom of the Opera* on St. James Cathedral's majestic 5,000-pipe organ. The film will be shown on a large projection screen, set against the stunning backdrop of the Cathedral's breathtaking architecture and soaring acoustics. **Enjoy the Early Bird ticket discount until tomorrow, August 25**, at stjamescathedral.ca/phantom2025/

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 summer vacation.

Canon Kristen is preaching & presiding today at St. Andrew's by-the-Lake - Toronto Islands.

Donation envelopes: If you want to renew your envelopes for 2026, please contact Serena Li at sli@stjamescathedral.ca or call (416)364-7865 Ext. 229.

Visit us: The Cathedral is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

The Cathedral Centre offices are open Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Online Morning Prayer: Join our clergy and fellow members of the Cathedral from Monday to Friday for Morning Prayer in our **Zoom Chapel**.

To access, please follow this link: <https://bit.ly/MPatSJC> or scan the QR code. For more information, visit: stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/



Tuesday: Organ Recitals are back on Sept. 9, at 1:00pm. Organist: Jean-Paul Feo.

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

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

Sunday: Sunday School: At the 10:30am service. **Coffee Hour:** After the 10:30am service.

Sunday Services – August 31, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

10:30am: Choral Eucharist (*live-streamed on the Cathedral channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

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

Readings for The Twelfth

Sunday after Pentecost

Jer 2:4-13

Ps 81:1, 10-16

Heb 13:1-8, 15-16

Lk 14:1, 7-14

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