

All Saints' Sunday

November 2, 2025

Choral Evensong at 4:30pm

*The Cathedral Church of St. James
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Welcome to St. James Cathedral

This sacred land is the territory of several Indigenous Nations - the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishnaabe, and the Métis peoples, with special recognition to the Mississaugas of New Credit. We also acknowledge that we are on the shores of Niigaani-gichigami/Lake Ontario. This territory is governed by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Treaty, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnaabe Confederacy to peaceably share and sustain the life of the Great Lakes. In the spirit of that Treaty we seek to place at the centre of our gatherings the values of respectful reciprocity, diversity, peace, responsibility, and mutual aid.

Liturgical Note:

In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

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Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Sunday School meets every week at the 11:00am service.

Please email Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

For more information on our Children's Community Choir,
please email Director Cara Halpin at chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible All-gender Washroom is located
at the front of the Cathedral through the doors by the pulpit.

Assisted hearing devices are available from the sidespersons.

Coffee Hour

Please join us at Snell Hall following the 9:00am and 11:00am service.

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There are a range of affordable parking lots available around the Cathedral.

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Today at St. James

Officiant & Homilist: The Reverend Canon Kristen Pitts

Cantor: Jane Forner

Lector: Tina Conlon

Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell

Associate Organist: Jean-Paul Feo

Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Joshua Duncan Lee

Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral

The flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God and in loving of

Norman & Gladys Seagram; John & Persis Hungerford

Nancy Cizek

Welcome! We are glad you have joined us for worship.

Please ensure that cell phones are muted.

Choral Evensong

Our practice at Evensong is to stand for the choir processions, the canticles, and the hymn; to sit for the Bible readings, the Psalms and the homily; and to kneel or sit for prayer. You are invited to assume postures that support your comfortable and prayerful engagement in this service.

Prelude

Welcome

Introit **Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life**

Richard Lloyd

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes a guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move:
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

Please stand when the organ plays.

Preces and Responses

Bernard Rose

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips;

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us;

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord;

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

Psalm 78:1-8*Chant by C. Hylton-Stewart**Choir*

Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will pour forth mysteries from of old,
Such as we have heard and known,
which our forebears have told us.
We will not hide from their children,
but will recount to generations to come,
the praises of the Lord and his power
and the wonderful works he has done.
He laid a solemn charge on Jacob
and made it a law in Israel,
which he commanded them to teach their children,
That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn,
that they in turn might tell it to their children;
So that they might put their trust in God
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments,
And not be like their forebears,
a stubborn and rebellious generation,
a generation whose heart was not steadfast,
and whose spirit was not faithful to God.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

First Lesson*Deuteronomy 6:1-9**Reader*

Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that
the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that
you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and
your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your
life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am
commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O
Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and
so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey,
as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Magnificat

Magnificat on Octavi Toni by David Bevan

Choir

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things;
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Second Lesson

Matthew 2:16-20

Reader

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

‘A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.’

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.'

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

Nunc Dimittis by Gustav Holst

Choir Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Officiant I believe in God

All **the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Cantor The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Cantor Our Father

Choir who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and

forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Cantor O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Cantor O Lord, save the King;

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people;

Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Cantor God of all holiness, in your realm of glory, those who are poor now will receive the kingdom those who are hungry now will be filled, and those who weep now will laugh and leap in joy. Strengthen us by this vision, so that, with the saints before us, we may bring near your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Choir Amen.

Cantor O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Choir Amen.

Cantor Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Choir Amen.

Anthem O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem

Herbert Howells

Choir O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
they shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within they walls:
and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Homily A Renewed Church: What happens when we “Teach, Baptize, and Nurture New Believers”

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Hymn at the Collection

Tune: Surrey

All The Lord my pasture shall prepare,
and feed me with a shepherd's care;
his presence shall my wants supply,
and guard me with a watchful eye;
my noonday walks he shall attend,
and all my midnight hours defend.

When in the sultry glebe I faint,
or on the thirsty mountain pant,
to fertile vales and dewy meads
my weary wandering steps he leads,
where peaceful rivers, soft and slow,
amid the verdant landscape flow.

Though in a bare and rugged way
through devious lonely wilds I stray,
thy bounty shall my pains beguile;
the barren wilderness shall smile
with sudden greens and herbage crowned,
and streams shall murmur all around.

Though in the paths of death I tread,
with gloomy horrors overspread,
my steadfast heart shall fear no ill,
for thou, O Lord, art with me still:
thy friendly staff shall give me aid,
and guide me through the dreadful shade.

JOSEPH ADDISON (1672-1719)* based on Psalm 23
Music: Henry Carey

Offertory Prayer

Officiant Let us pray.

God of abundance and growth, you water the seeds of faith and nourish us with your Spirit. Receive these gifts we bring, and bless them for the work of your kingdom, that your love may take root in every place, and your justice bear fruit in every heart. In Christ we pray.

People **Amen.**

Prayers

A Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom

Officiant Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

People **Amen.**

The Grace

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

People **Amen.**

Final Response

Edward Woodall Naylor

Cantor The Lord be with you;

Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

Postlude

PRAYER CYCLE

*This week, please pray for:
The Church of the Province of West Africa; Bishop's Committee on Right Relations
and the Readers & Intercessors*

PASTORAL CARE

If you know someone who would appreciate a call from our pastoral care team, please contact:

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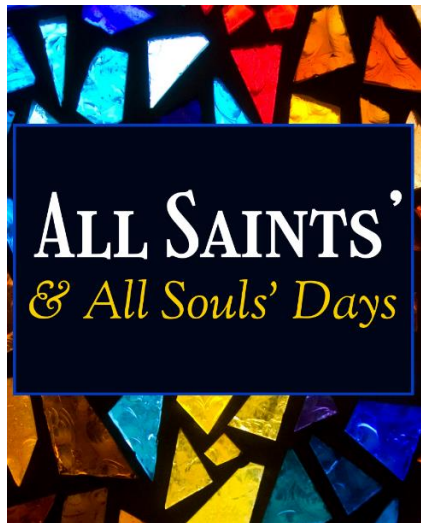
ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS - Sunday, November 2, 2025

Regular services at 8:00am, 9:00am (*Worship Together*), 11:00am, and 4:30pm.

Children & Families: Sunday school at 11:00am. **Coffee Hour:** After 9:00am & 11:00am.

Today at 4:30pm: Evensong Sermon Series with The Rev. Canon Kristen Pitts.

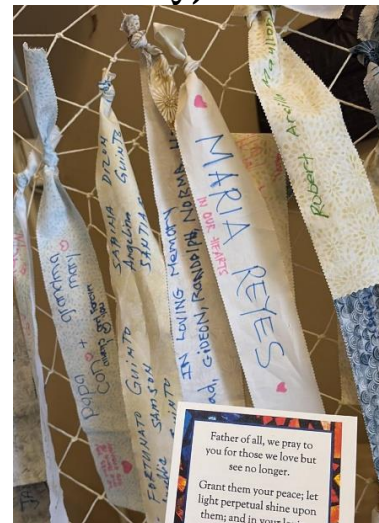
Nov. 3: All Souls' Day Services (Cathedral & Cemetery)



Join us as we gather in remembrance and thanksgiving for the faithful departed. As we observe All Saints' Sunday today and All Souls' Day tomorrow, we come together in prayer and reflection during this sacred time, recalling before God those we love but see no longer, and offering prayers for all who mourn.

10:30am: St. James Cemetery

12:15pm: St. James Cathedral



Message from our Dean Stephen Hance



Our morning preaching series scheduled until Nov. 9 is called *Abundant Grace, Faithful Response: Stewardship for God's Mission*. Financial stewardship is our response to God's goodness and generosity to us. We are being invited to examine our own stewardship of the resources God has entrusted to us and to consider how we might give back joyfully. Let me encourage you to join us on this journey and

to prayerfully consider your own response. **Ready to begin your journey of generosity with us?** Fill out the blue pamphlet or visit stjamescathedral.ca/community/stewardship/ to submit your Giving commitment.

Nov. 9 & 11: Remembrance Day Services - Lest We Forget



Sunday, Nov. 9:

10:15am: We will gather at the Memorial Cross for observance.

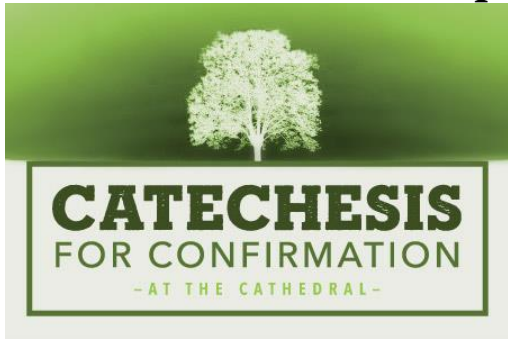
11:00am: The Royal Regiment of Canada members will join the Cathedral community for their Service and Parade.

1:00-2:30pm: The Governor General's Horse Guards' Service & Parade.

Tuesday, Nov. 11:

St. James Cemetery at 10:00am.

Nov. 9 – Mar. 22 at 1:00pm: *Living the Vows* - Catechesis for Confirmation



Join us for a learning series designed to prepare participants for confirmation this Spring.

The program will consist of 8 sessions (on selected Sundays) beginning Nov. 9 from 1:30pm to 4:00pm.

Follow the link to register for the program and see the schedule: stjamescathedral.ca/confirmation

For more information, please contact the Rev. Canon Kristen Pitts at kpitts@stjamescathedral.ca

Nov. 23 at 1:00pm: The York Group's Annual General Meeting



All parishioners are warmly invited to attend the York Group's AGM in the Lecture Room. Dean Stephen Hance will be our speaker.

He will address the topic "*What I learned from the Church of England*".

There will be a short business agenda with a light lunch, followed by a time of fellowship. Please RSVP to info@stjamescathedral.ca or by calling 416-364-7865, Ext. 221 to register.

Until Nov. 23 at 4:30pm: Evensong Sermon Series - *A Renewed Church*



As the two-year *Season of Spiritual Renewal* in our Diocese nears its climax in Epiphany 2026, the Cathedral invites the Diocese to a sermon series. At Evensong, we have a sermon series on engaging the topic "*A Renewed Church: What happens when we live out the 'Marks of Mission'*".

Info: stjamescathedral.ca/arenewedchurch

Beginning on Nov. 24 at 7:30pm: Baptism Preparation for Holy Baptism



Holy Baptism will be celebrated on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, on Jan. 11. Preparation sessions will begin on Nov. 24 and will take place online at 7:30pm each week.

To register, please follow this link:

stjamescathedral.ca/worship/baptism-and-weddings

Once you register, the online meeting link will be sent to you by email.

St. James Drop-In – Updates

Want to give back in a simple and meaningful way?

No skills needed—just a positive attitude!

Call for volunteers: We need a few friendly helpers ready to wipe tables, clean the kitchen, and dry dishes on Fridays.

Paid position: Dishwasher on Fridays - 12:00pm-5:00pm approx.

Info: Kathy Biasi - kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca, 4163647865 Ext. 222.



Upcoming Events: There's so much happening here at St. James. Join us!

November:

- Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29 at 9:30am: Children's Community Choir Rehearsal (All ages 8-16)
- Nov. 9: Remembrance Services - St. James Cathedral
- Nov. 9-Mar. 22: Catechesis for confirmation. RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/confirmation/
- Nov. 11 at 10:00am: Remembrance Day - St. James Cemetery
- Nov. 11 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Ian Sadler (Stratford, Ontario)
- Nov. 16: FaithWorks Sunday/Refugee Committee Anniversary (after 9:00/11:00am)
- Nov. 18 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Imre Olah (Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church)
- Nov. 20 at 1:00pm: Early Music at St. James (St. George's Chapel)
- Nov. 22 from 9:30am to 1:00pm: Music Open House (Celebrating St. Cecilia's Day)
- Nov. 23: Santa Claus Parade – Toronto. Expect road closures. Plan your trip to Church
- Nov. 23 at 1:00pm: The York Group's AGM. Please RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/agm
- Nov. 24 at 7:30pm: Online Baptism Prep. Sessions. RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/worship/
- Nov. 25 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Peter Nikiforuk (Kitchener)
- Nov. 28 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night
- Nov. 30 from 4:30pm to 5:30pm: Advent 1 – Lessons & Carols Service

December:

- Dec. 6, 13, 20 at 9:30am: Children's Community Choir Rehearsal. Back on Jan. 10, 2026
- Dec. 6 at 10:00am: Community Playdate. RSVP stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/
- Dec. 9 at 6:30pm: Blue Christmas – A Service of Remembrance and Hope
- Dec. 13 at 7:30pm: *Messiah*. Get tickets here: stjamescathedral.ca/messiahconcert2025
- Dec. 16, 18 & 20: Merry Moments - 30 Min. of Holiday Spirit. More info to come.
- Dec 19 at 7:30pm: Messiaen's "*Nativité*" with organist Rashaan Allwood
- Dec. 21 at 4:30pm: Advent 4 – Christmas Lessons & Carols Service
- Dec. 24 & Dec. 25: Christmas Eve & Christmas Day services. More info to come.

Dec.13 at 7:30pm: *Messiah* - Regular/Patron tickets available. RSVP today.

Join us for our traditional Messiah Concert & celebrate the joy of Christmas with us.



The Choirs of St. James Cathedral and Trinity College, U of T, with the Orchestra of St. James perform *Messiah*.

Patron packages:

\$300 (2 tickets, reserved seating, names in the program, Wine & Cheese, tax receipt of \$170 issued in January).

\$150 (1 ticket, reserved seating, name in the program, Wine & Cheese, tax receipt of \$85 issued in January).

To become a Patron: (416)364-7865 Ext. 258 or

bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca or

Regular ticket: \$45 per person

More info: stjamescathedral.ca/messiahconcert2025

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.

Clergy away:

The Dean is participating in the Presidential Inauguration at Asbury Theological Seminary this weekend.

The Rev. Matthew Waterman (until Nov. 4).

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.

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 at 1:00pm in the Cathedral. Free admission, donations welcome!

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.

Saturday: Children's Community Choir Rehearsal from 9:30am to 10:30am.

Sunday Services – Nov. 9, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Worship Together*

11:00am: Choral Eucharist*

4:30pm: Choral Evensong*

**Live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*

Readings for

Remembrance Sunday

Hag 1:15b—2:9

Ps 145:1-5, 18-22

2 Th 2:1-5, 13-17

Lk 20:27-38

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