

# **The Birth of the Lord - Christmas Day**

*December 25, 2025*

*Procession & Choral Eucharist at 10:30am*

*The Cathedral Church of St. James*

*Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

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**8:00am Said Eucharist** *Simple Communion service in traditional language*

**9:00am Worship Together** *All-ages Communion service with music*

**11:00am Choral Eucharist** *Sensory-rich Communion service with the Cathedral Choir*

**4:30pm Choral Evensong** *Meditative prayer service with the Cathedral Choir*

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## **Today at St. James**

*Presider: The Very Reverend Dr. Stephen Hance*

*Homilist: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil*

*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Canon Beth Benson*

*Sub-Deacon: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*First Reader: Kate Uchendu • Second Reader: Mary Asbil*

*Intercessor: Brainerd Blyden-Taylor • Honorary Verger: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: The Reverend Matthew Waterman, The Reverend Lynn Braye, Stanley Baptiste, David Grant, Leslie Laing, Gordon Robison and Brainerd Blyden-Taylor*

*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*

## ***Merry Christmas!***

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

***Please ensure that cell phones are muted.***

***Our practice during this liturgy is to stand when we sing and during the proclamation of the Gospel, sit for other Scripture readings (including the Psalm) and the Homily, and stand, sit, or kneel for prayer. You are invited to assume postures that support your comfortable and prayerful engagement in this service.***

# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Mass Setting: Missa Brevis in C K.220 by W.A.Mozart*

**Prelude** Een Kindeken is uns geboren

*John Bull*

**Welcome**

**Procession**

*Presider* Alleluia! Let us go forth in peace.

*People* **In the Name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia!**

**Processional Hymn**

Tune: See Amid the Winter's Snow

*All* See amid the winter's snow,  
born for us on earth below,  
see, the tender Lamb appears,  
promised from eternal years!

*Refrain*

*Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!*

*Hail, redemption's happy dawn!*

*Sing through all Jerusalem:*

*Christ is born in Bethlehem.*

Lo, within a manger lies  
he who built the starry skies,  
who enthroned in height sublime  
sits amid the cherubim. *Refrain*

Say, ye holy shepherds, say  
what your joyful news today;  
wherefore have ye left your sheep  
on the lonely mountain steep? *Refrain*

“As we watched at dead of night,  
lo, we saw a wondrous light;  
angels, singing ‘Peace on earth’  
told us of the Saviour's birth.” *Refrain*

Sacred infant, all divine,  
what a mighty love was thine,  
thus to come from highest bliss  
down to such a world as this! *Refrain*

## Collect at the Crèche

*Presider* Alleluia! The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us;

*People* **And we beheld his glory. Alleluia!**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

Tune: In Dulci Jubilo

*All* Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!

Listen now to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;

ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now!

Christ is born today; Christ is born today!

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!

Hear the news of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this;

he has opened heaven's door, and we are blessed for evermore!

Christ was born for this; Christ was born for this.

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!

Now you need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save:

come at his most gracious call to find salvation, one and all!

Christ was born to save; Christ was born to save!

Text: German-Latin carol (14<sup>th</sup> cent.); tr. John Mason Neale, alt.; Music: Melody *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1533.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### The First Reading

*Isaiah 52:7-10*

*Reader* How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who

says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 98**

*Chant: J. Randall*

*Choir* Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.  
His own right hand and his holy arm  
have won for him the victory.  
The Lord has made known his salvation;  
his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.  
He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness  
towards the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.  
Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth;  
break into singing and make music.  
Make music to the Lord with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the voice of melody.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
sound praises before the Lord, the King.  
Let the sea thunder and all that fills it,  
the world and all that dwell upon it.  
Let the rivers clap their hands  
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.  
In righteousness shall he judge the world  
and the peoples with equity.

## **The Second Reading**

*Hebrews 1:1-12*

*Reader* Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he

appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word.

When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son; today I have begotten you'? Or again, 'I will be his Father, and he will be my Son'?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, 'Let all God's angels worship him.' Of the angels he says, 'He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire.' But of the Son he says, 'Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever, and the righteous sceptre is the sceptre of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.'

And, 'In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end.'

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

*Sussex Carol*

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Choir* I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **The Holy Gospel**

*John 1:1-14*

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Deacon* In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into

being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

*Deacon*

The Gospel of Christ.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*Presider*

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*All*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People

*Presider* Rejoicing at the birth of Jesus, our Saviour and Redeemer, let us pray that the hope, peace, joy, and love he brings will fill our land, saying, “Liberating Lord, hear our prayer.”

*Intercessor* Liberating Lord,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* Radiant God, in the birth of your Son you have made your dwelling among us. Let your Word take flesh in our lives, that your light may shine in our hearts and your love be known through all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## The Peace

*We offer each other a sign of peace.*

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*An offering will now be taken to support the life and ministry of the Cathedral.*

### Offertory Hymn

Tune: Adeste Fideles

*All* O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem:  
come and behold him, born the King of angels;  
*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,*  
*O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

God of God, Light of Light,  
Lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb;  
Very God, begotten not created:  
*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God in the highest:  
*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;  
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;  
*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:  
*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

Text: St. 1-3, 5 John Francis Wade; St. 4 Étienne-Jean-François Borderies, 1822;  
Music: Melody attrib. John Francis Wade, alt.

*Presider* God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused a new light to shine in

our hearts, to give knowledge of salvation in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Now with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

### **Sanctus & Benedictus**

*Choir* Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

*Please adopt a posture of prayer.*

*Presider* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling the Israelites to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*People* **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*Presider* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and

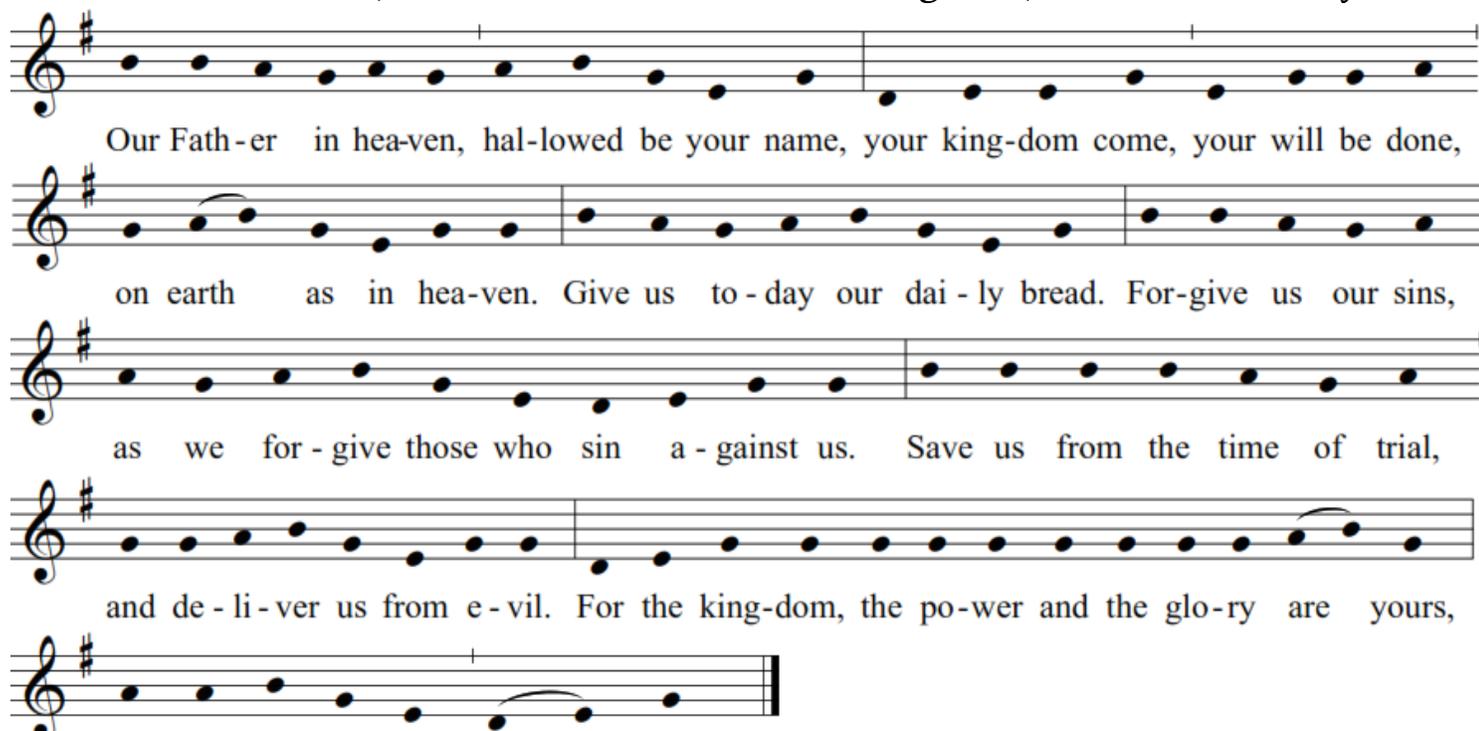
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People*      **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*McNeil Robinson*

*Presider*      And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:



Our Fath-er in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins,  
as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de-li-ver us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the po-wer and the glo-ry are yours,  
now and for-ev-er. A - men.

*silence*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Presider*      We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*People*      **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

### **The Communion**

*Presider*      Alleluia! The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People*      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## Agnus Dei

*Choir*      O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

- *All are welcome to receive the Holy Sacrament or a blessing.*
- *Communion will be administered at the High Altar, Lady Chapel and St. John's Chapel.*
- *Please approach the High Altar in **single file and fill the altar rail from the right side.** Exit through the door by the organ.*
- *Gluten-free hosts are available upon request at the Lady Chapel.*
- *It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons.*
- *You are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing by crossing your hands over your chest.*

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Greensleeves

*All*            What child is this, who, laid to rest,  
                  on Mary's lap is sleeping?  
                  Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
                  while shepherds watch are keeping?

### *Refrain*

*This, this is Christ the king,  
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
haste, haste to bring him laud,  
the babe, the son of Mary.*

Why lies he in such mean estate  
where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here  
the silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;  
come, peasant, king, to own him.  
The King of kings salvation brings;  
let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*

Text: William Chatterton Dix  
Music: Melody English trad.; arr. Christmas Carols New and Old, 1871, alt.

## Motet      **I Saw Three Ships**

*arr. Richard Lloyd*

*Choir*      I saw three ships come sailing in On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
I saw three ships come sailing in On Christmas day in the morning.

And what was in those ships all three, On Christmas day, on Christmas day?  
And what was in those ships all three, On Christmas day in the morning?

Our Savior Christ and His lady, On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
Our Savior Christ and His lady, On Christmas day in the morning.

Pray whither sailed those ships all three, On Christmas day, on Christmas day?  
Pray whither sailed those ships all three, On Christmas day in the morning?

O they sailed into Bethlehem, On Christmas day, on Christmas day,  
O they sailed into Bethlehem, On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the bells on Earth shall ring, On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
And all the bells on Earth shall ring, On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the angels in Heav'n shall sing, On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
And all the angels in Heav'n shall sing, On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the souls on Earth shall sing, On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
And all the souls on Earth shall sing, On Christmas day in the morning.

Then let us all rejoice amain, On Christmas day, on Christmas day;  
Then let us rejoice amain, On Christmas day in the morning.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Father of all, the child born for us is the Saviour of the world. May he who made us your children welcome us into your kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Glory to God,

*All* **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

*Bishop* May Almighty God, who sent the Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

*People* **Amen.**

*Bishop* May God, who sent the holy angels to proclaim the glad news of the Saviour's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

*People* **Amen.**

*Bishop* May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favour.

*People* **Amen.**

*Bishop* And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

**Hymn**

Tune: Antioch

*All*

Joy to the world! The Lord is come:  
let earth receive the King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns:  
let us glad songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let wrongs and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as our sin is found, far as our sin is found,  
far as, far as our sin is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Isaac Watts, alt.; Music: Melody George Frideric Handel; adapt.  
William Holford, Voce de Melodia, 1835; harm. Lowell Mason;

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go forth in peace, in the name of the Christ Child, the Prince of Peace, Immanuel, God with us.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Es ist das Heil uns kommen her

*Heinrich Scheidemann*

*After the service, you are invited to visit the crèche  
to pray in thanksgiving for the incarnation of the Prince of Peace.*

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# WELCOME TO ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

## Sunday Services

**8:00am Said Eucharist** *Simple Communion service in traditional language*

**9:00am Worship Together** *All-ages Communion service with music*

**11:00am Choral Eucharist** *Sensory-rich Communion service with the St. James Cathedral Choir*

**4:30pm Choral Evensong** *Meditative prayer service with the St. James Cathedral Choir*

## Monday - Saturday Services

**8:30am Morning Prayer** *Online prayer service on YouTube (Resumes Jan. 2, 2026)*

**12:15pm Holy Eucharist** *Simple Communion service in St. George's Chapel*

## Services at St. James Cemetery

**11:00am Holy Eucharist** *First Wednesday of the month at St. James-the-Less Chapel*

## Share the Joy: Ways to support our Drop-In program



Every Friday, our Drop-In welcomes guests for a nutritious meal and other care services from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Want to help? Here's how:

**Volunteer:** Our volunteers serve in shifts between 9:00am and 5:30pm each week. We especially need your help on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, when many of our regular volunteers are away.

For details or to volunteer, please contact:

Kathy Biasi – Outreach Manager

416 364-7865 Ext. 222 or [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca)

Info: [stjamescathedral.ca/community/drop-in](http://stjamescathedral.ca/community/drop-in)

## St. Bartholomew's Food Drive



You can help feed our neighbours this season through the food bank ministry at our partner parish, St. Bartholomew's Church.

Nonperishable food items can be dropped off in the red bin located at the Cathedral's King Street entrance until Dec. 31.

Thank you for your generosity and support!



**Don't miss a thing:** Sign up for our newsletter at [stjamescathedral.ca](http://stjamescathedral.ca)

**Facebook/Instagram:** @stjamesto / **YouTube:** stjamescathedraltoronto

**St. James Cemetery:** [stjamescemetery.ca](http://stjamescemetery.ca)

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# What's on at St. James?

**Sunday, Jan. 4 at 4:30pm:**

## **Epiphany Lessons & Carols with the Chalking of the Doors**

Epiphany celebrates the visit of the Magi and the close of the Christmas season. Join us for a service of readings, hymns, and choral music as we follow the wise men and reflect on Jesus' early ministry. We will also bless the cathedral and all who enter this year with the traditional chalking of the doors. The service begins with a 4:00pm organ recital.

## **Saturdays at 9:30am: Children's Community Choir (Resuming Jan. 10)**

We welcome singers from ages 8-16! Rehearsals are on Saturdays, 9:30am - 10:30am.

No fee or audition is required. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir](http://stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir)

## **Saturday, Jan. 10 from 10:00am to 11:30am: Community Playdate**

Bring your children and enjoy coffee on us while the kids play together.

Free and open to all, so invite your neighbours! Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/)

## **Sunday, Jan. 11 at 4:30pm: Installation of Canons**

Canon Kristen Pitts will be installed as Canon Missioner with the newly appointed Honorary Canons of the Cathedral. All are invited.

## **Tuesdays at 1:00pm: Organ Recitals (Resuming Jan. 13)**

St. James Cathedral features some of the region's finest organists.

Organ recitals are free and open to the public. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/events/recitals/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/events/recitals/)

## **Friday, Jan. 30 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night**

Bring your whole family for an evening of fun and games for all ages. Dinner is provided.

Free and open to all. Invite your friends! Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight/)

## **Sing and Ring with St. James**

The Choir of St. James Cathedral welcomes singers with musical experience.

The Change Ringers welcome new participants with or without prior experience.

Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/worship/music/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/worship/music/)



## **The Cathedral Church of St. James**

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