

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS - Sunday, November 23, 2025

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

Children & Families: Sunday school at 11:00am.

Today at 1:00pm: The York Group's Annual General Meeting – Lecture Room.

Today at 4:30pm: Evensong Sermon Series with The Rev. Canon Andrew Federle.

“Merry Moments” returns to St. James!



After last year's wonderful response, we're delighted to once again offer these 30-minute Advent and Christmas “taster” services filled with beloved carols, readings, and a short homily. These gatherings are perfect for anyone, and especially those who may not usually attend church or find a full carol service a bit long. Multiple services will take place on Dec. 16, 18 & 20, so you can find one that fits your schedule, at lunch, after school pick-up, or between errands.

New this year: Join us on **Saturday, Dec. 20, at 10:30am**, when our **Children's Community Choir** will lead Merry Moments. After the service, enjoy a **Nativity Animal Petting Zoo** on the West Lawn from **11:00am to 1:00pm**, with hot chocolate and snacks for all! Invite your friends and neighbours to this joyful, family-friendly event. Come and share in the spirit of Christmas with us!

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



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

To register, please follow this link: stjamescathedral.ca/worship/

Nov. 28 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night in the Cathedral



Join us for this free night of all things country for the whole family with the theme: *Country Jamboree!* No need to make dinner tonight. We will have free pizza, pie, themed drinks, and child-friendly rodeo games. After we share a meal together at 6:00pm, the Country Jamboree will begin! Invite family, friends, and children. **Info + RSVP here:** stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight/

Nov. 29: HMCS York Band Concert to support our Drop-In program



HMCS York Band presents: Film & Broadway Favourites! Featuring music from Harry Potter, James Bond, Jurassic Park, Star Wars, and more! Doors (1:00pm), show (2:00pm). No reserved seating. Donations to support the Drop-In are welcome at the concert or here: stjamescathedral.ca/donate/give-online

Nov. 30: Organ Recital & Advent Lessons and Carols Service by Candlelight

ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

From Darkness to Light: Enter into the season of Advent with this seasonal favourite service of readings and music!

4:00pm: Organ Recital by Jean-Paul Feo

4:30pm: Advent Lessons & Carols

Until Dec. 8: Christmas Memorial Flowers in the Cathedral for the season



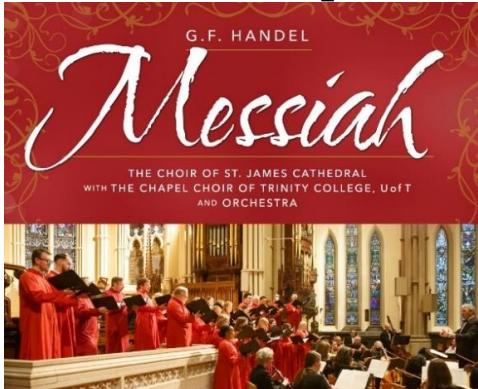
Please submit names to Serena Li at sli@stjamescathedral.ca, or place them in a clearly marked envelope on the collection plate. Donations of \$45 or more per name/couple will support the Cathedral Flower Fund. Payment: E-transfer to gifts@stjamescathedral.ca (please add "Memorial Flowers" in your message), credit card, or online.

Dec. 9 at 6:30pm: Blue Christmas – A Service of Hope



Christmas can be difficult for a variety of reasons. One may have lost a loved one, a job, suffered a broken relationship, or even be missing family or friends who are living in a different city, province, or country. Come and share in a special Service of Hope, sing familiar carols, hear the good news that the Christ Child brings, and help us trim the tree by hanging a dove and lighting a candle as we celebrate the coming of the one who is our Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

Dec. 13 at 7:30pm: *Messiah*. Celebrate Christmas with us. RSVP today.



Tickets: stjamescathedral.ca/messiah2025

Regular ticket: \$45 per person

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 send an email to bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca

Share the Joy: Ways to support our Drop-In program this Christmas!



Volunteer with us: On Christmas (Dec. 19), on Boxing Day (Dec. 26), and in the New Year (Jan. 2). Shifts will run between 9:00am & 5:30pm.

Give a sweet treat: Help fill our Christmas bags with candy canes and chocolates that will be shared with our Drop-In guests this season.

Share a card of love: Donate any unused Christmas cards so our participants can send warm greetings to their friends and family.

Info: Kathy Biasi 416 364-7865 Ext. 222 or kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca

Save the dates & celebrate the Christmas season with us. All are welcome!
Back by popular demand, we will blend again cherished traditions with exciting services.
Bring your family and friends to share in the joy and warmth of the season. Join us!



Christmas
AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

Cathedral Church of St. James

A TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

4:30PM Advent Lessons & Carols*

BLUE CHRISTMAS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

6:30PM A Service of Hope

MESSIAEN'S LA NATIVITÉ

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:30PM Organ Recital by Rashaan Allwood

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

4:30PM Christmas Lessons & Carols*

CHRISTMAS EVE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

4:00PM Festive Organ Recital*

4:30PM Lessons & Carols*

7:30PM Choral Eucharist*

CHRISTMAS DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

8:00AM Said Eucharist

10:30AM Choral Eucharist*

MERRY MOMENTS

30 MINUTES

OF HOLIDAY SPIRIT

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS CAROLS,
SHORT READINGS & PRAYERS
FOR EVERYONE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

4:00PM Merry Moments

6:00PM Merry Moments

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

1:00PM Merry Moments

5:30PM Merry Moments

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

10:30AM Merry Moments

with the Children's Community Choir

11:00AM - 1:00PM Nativity Animals
on the West Lawn with hot chocolate and snacks

1:00PM Merry Moments

* Livestreamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel:
youtube.com/@stjamescathedraltoronto

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.

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

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

Thursday: Early Music at St. James at 1:00pm. Free admission, donations welcome!

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 with rehearsals on Dec. 6, 13, 20, and resuming on Jan. 10, 2026.

St. James Cemetery: Seasonal Wreath program, Pre-planning services & Plots available.

Info: 416-964-9194, cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca or visit stjamescemetery.ca

Sunday Services – Nov. 30, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Worship Together*

11:00am: Choral Eucharist*

4:30pm: Advent Lessons & Carols*

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

The Cathedral Church of St. James exists today through the gifts of time, talent, and treasure of both past and present members of the Cathedral community.

Readings for

The First Sunday of Advent

Is 2: 1-5

Ps 122

Rom 13: 11-14

Mt 24: 36-44

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