

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Trinity College Evensong

January 25, 2026

Choral Evensong at 4:30pm

*The Cathedral Church of St. James
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

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

For more information on our Children's Community Choir,
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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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Today at St. James

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Dr. Chris Brittain

Homilist: The Reverend Paige Souter

Cathedral Clergy: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields

Lector: Trinity College Representative

Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell

Associate Organist: Jean-Paul Feo

Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Joshua Duncan Lee

Sung by Trinity College Chapel Choir

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

Stanley Normal Brokenshire

Lt. Col. Walter B. Kingsmill, D.S.O., V.D.K.C., his wife Winifred Sara, Lt. Col. Nicol Kingsmill, E.D., Q.C., his wife Kathleen Alice Mary and their daughter Elizabeth Kingsmill. Col. C. D'Arcy Kingsmill, O.B.E., E.C., BMS., L.L.B. and his wife Polly; Winifred Mary Seagram & Lt. Peter Waldie Spragge RCNVR & Robert David Seagram; Nicol (Nic) G. W. Kingsmill

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 Prelude Méditation

Maurice Duruflé

Welcome

Introit **My Eyes for Beauty Pine**

Elizabeth Coxhead

Choir

My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddes grace :
No other care nor hope is mine,
To heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above :
'Tis named when God's name is said,
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.

Please stand when the organ plays.

Preces and Responses

June Nixon

Officiant

O Lord, open thou our lips;

Choir

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant

O God, make speed to save us;

Choir

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant

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.

Officiant

Praise ye the Lord;

Choir

The Lord's Name be praised.

Psalm 119: 73-88

Chant by J. Pring

Choir

Your hands have made me and fashioned me;
give me understanding, that I may learn your commandments.
Those who fear you will be glad when they see me,
because I have hoped in your word.
I know, O Lord, that your judgements are right,
and that in very faithfulness you caused me to be troubled.
Let your faithful love be my comfort,
according to your promise to your servant.
Let your tender mercies come to me, that I may live,
for your law is my delight.
Let the proud be put to shame, for they wrong me with lies;
but I will meditate on your commandments.
Let those who fear you turn to me,
even those who know your testimonies.
Let my heart be sound in your statutes,
that I may not be put to shame.
My soul is pining for your salvation;
I have hoped in your word.
My eyes fail with watching for your word,
while I say, 'O when will you comfort me?'
I have become like a wineskin in the smoke,
yet I do not forget your statutes.
How many are the days of your servant?
When will you bring judgement on those who persecute me?
The proud have dug pits for me
in defiance of your law.
All your commandments are true;
help me, for they persecute me with falsehood.
They had almost made an end of me on earth,
but I have not forsaken your commandments.
Give me life according to your loving-kindness;
so shall I keep the testimonies of your mouth.

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.

Reader

Come down and sit in the dust, virgin daughter Babylon! Sit on the ground without a throne, daughter Chaldea! For you shall no more be called tender and delicate. Take the millstones and grind meal, remove your veil, strip off your robe, uncover your legs, pass through the rivers. Your nakedness shall be uncovered, and your shame shall be seen. I will take vengeance, and I will spare no one. Our Redeemer—the Lord of hosts is his name—is the Holy One of Israel.

Sit in silence, and go into darkness, daughter Chaldea! For you shall no more be called the mistress of kingdoms. I was angry with my people, I profaned my heritage; I gave them into your hand, you showed them no mercy; on the aged you made your yoke exceedingly heavy. You said, 'I shall be mistress for ever', so that you did not lay these things to heart or remember their end.

Now therefore hear this, you lover of pleasures, who sit securely, who say in your heart, 'I am, and there is no one besides me; I shall not sit as a widow or know the loss of children'—both these things shall come upon you in a moment, in one day: the loss of children and widowhood shall come upon you in full measure, in spite of your many sorceries and the great power of your enchantments.

You felt secure in your wickedness; you said, 'No one sees me.' Your wisdom and your knowledge led you astray, and you said in your heart, 'I am, and there is no one besides me.' But evil shall come upon you, which you cannot charm away; disaster shall fall upon you, which you will not be able to ward off; and ruin shall come on you suddenly, of which you know nothing.

Stand fast in your enchantments and your many sorceries, with which you have laboured from your youth; perhaps you may be able to succeed, perhaps you may inspire terror. You are wearied with your many consultations; let those who study the heavens stand up and save you, those who gaze at the stars and at each new moon predict what shall befall you.

See, they are like stubble, the fire consumes them; they cannot deliver themselves from the power of the flame. No coal for warming oneself is this, no fire to sit before! Such to you are those with whom you have

laboured, who have trafficked with you from your youth; they all wander about in their own paths; there is no one to save you.

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Magnificat

Evening Service 'Collegium Regale' by Herbert Howells

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

Mark 7:31-37

Reader

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

Evening Service 'Collegium Regale' by Herbert Howells

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.**

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant 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.

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O Lord, save the King;

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant O Lord, save thy people;

Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord;

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

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Officiant God of all people, you sent your Son into our shadowed world. May his dawning light give hope to the broken, the persecuted, the alien and the excluded, so that we might feel the kingdom drawing near and turn to follow him; through Jesus Christ, the morning star.

Choir Amen.

Officiant 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.

Officiant 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 Cantique de Jean Racine

Gabriel Fauré

Choir Word, equal to the Highest, Our only Hope,

Eternal day of the earth and heavens,

We break the silence of the peaceful night;

Divine Savior, cost your eyes upon us!

Spread over us the fire of your powerful grace,

That all hell may flee at the sound of your voice;

Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul,

That drives us to forget your laws.

O Christ, show favor to this faithful people now assembled in order to bless you now.

Accept the songs they offer to your immortal glory;

And may they go forth filled with your gifts.

Homily

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Hymn at the Collection

Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos

All Day is done, but love unfailing dwells ever here;
shadows fall, but hope prevailing, calms every fear.
God our maker, none forsaking, take our hearts, of love's own making;
watch our sleeping, guard our waking, be always near.

Dark descends, but light unending shines through our night;
you are with us, ever lending new strength to sight.
One in love, your truth confessing, one in hope of heaven's blessing,
may we see, in love's possessing, love's endless light!

Eyes will close, but you unsleeping watch by our side;
death may come, in love's safe keeping still we abide.
God of love, all evil quelling, sin forgiving, fear dispelling,
stay with us, our hearts indwelling, this eventide.

Text: James Quinn, SJ;
Music: Melody Welsh trad.;

Offertory Prayer

Vicar Let us pray.

Light of the nations, receive these offerings, and grant that your Church,
illumined by Christ, may reflect his glory in word and deed, and be used
to share in his reign, to the praise of your holy Name.

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

Officiant The Lord be with you;

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

Postlude Fugue in G Minor, KV 401

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

PRAYER CYCLE

This week, please pray for:

Iglesia Anglicana de Chile, Peterborough Deanery and the Servers

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St. James Cathedral Connections

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Today at 4:30pm • Trinity College Evensong

Message from the Dean



Jacqui and I will be away on sabbatical from Sunday, January 25 to Monday, May 4, 2026, inclusive.

The life of St. James Cathedral will continue as normal under the leadership of the clergy and wardens together with the wider staff team. Canon Stephen, as our Sub Dean, will deputise for me where that is needed. We are so grateful for the opportunity for rest and refreshment and to connect with family.

A sabbatical period can be a time of spiritual growth for the church as well as the priest on sabbatical.

We will be praying for St. James Cathedral and our leaders that this may be so. Please do the same for us.

For details about clergy and staff responsibilities:

stjamescathedral.ca/sabbatical2026

New Vicar/Sub Dean for St. James Cathedral



We are delighted to announce the appointment of the Rev. Canon Geoffrey Sangwine as the next Vicar and Sub Dean of St. James Cathedral, succeeding the Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields upon his retirement. Canon Geoffrey will join us on May 11, 2026. Ordained deacon at St. James' Cathedral in 2000 and priest in 2001, he has served in several Toronto-area parishes and is currently Incumbent of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle. A University of Toronto and Trinity College graduate, he brings passion for the Anglican tradition and its rich musical heritage to this role, as well as a lifelong commitment to St. James Cathedral and its ministry. We look forward to welcoming Geoff and his partner Mark to our Cathedral community.

Details: stjamescathedral.ca/newvicar2026

☀ What's On ☀

Jan. 30 at 6:00pm • Family Fun Night

Bring your whole family and friends for dinner and an evening of LEGO activities in the Cathedral. No experience is needed. Open to all. Details & RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight

Feb. 1 at 4:30pm • Bob Marley (Emancipation) Mass “One Love, One Heart.”

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri.

Presider: Bishop Andrew Asbil. Music by MOKA. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/marleymass/

Feb. 10 - Mar. 24 at 6:00pm • Being Anglican Series – RSVP by Feb. 6

New to the Anglican Church or considering Confirmation? Join a short series on Anglican faith and practice on Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm at the Cathedral or St. John's York Mills.

For details and RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/beinganglican/

This Week at St. James

Organ Recitals: Tuesdays at 1:00pm in the Cathedral. Donations welcome.

Scripture Circle: In-person on Wednesdays at 11:00am in the Cathedral Centre.

Drop-In: Fridays 1:30pm-3:30pm. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/community/drop-in

Cathedral Choir: The Choir of St. James Cathedral welcomes singers with musical experience. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/worship/music/

Change Ringers: Welcoming new participants with or without prior experience.

Details: stjamescathedral.ca/worship/change-ringers/

Children's Community Choir: Rehearsals on Saturdays at 9:30am-10:30am in Snell Hall.

Details: stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir/

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☀ What's Next ☀

Feb. 7 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 & RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/playdate

Feb. 17 at 6:00pm • Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Join us as we mark the last day before Lent with our Parish Pancake Supper! Enjoy a delicious meal of pancakes, fun activities for children, and music for the whole family. This is a wonderful opportunity to get together as a community in fellowship and celebration before Lent begins.



Ash Wednesday is February 18.



Feb. 18 • Ash Wednesday Services

Services in the Cathedral at 7:30am, 12:15pm, and 6:30pm.

Ashes to go: Outside the Cathedral after the 12:15pm service and at King Station from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

All services include the Imposition of Ashes.

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

Feb. 18 at 10:30am • Ash Wednesday Exploration Day

Children and youth ages 8–17 from the Diocese of Toronto are welcome. We will empower youth to see the world as it is and imagine what it could be, then take action through art, storytelling, prayer, reflection, and advocacy.

Details & RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/exploration-day/

Feb. 22 at 4:30pm • Snell Lecture on Black Sacred Music

The first Snell Lecture of 2026 will feature a musical presentation by The Nathaniel Dett Chorale, performing *The Nguzo Saba Suite*, followed by a lecture from Dr. Stephen Newby of Baylor University on the theological and cultural significance of Andraé Crouch's contribution to Gospel music. Open to all. No RSVP. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/snell_lecture

Feb. 22 – Mar. 22 • Faithfulness in the Midst of Suffering

During Lent, we will have the opportunity to reflect on the Book of Job during sermons on Sundays and small group conversations on Wednesdays. For more information on sermon topics, schedule, and questions for small groups discussion: stjamescathedral.ca/lent/

To register for online small group discussions on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, please send an email to info@stjamescathedral.ca or call (416)364-7865 Ext. 221. Zoom link provided on registration.

☀️ What's Needed ☀️

Feb. 17 at 6:00pm • Call for Volunteers - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

We are looking for volunteers to help make pancakes, set up, decorate Snell Hall, serve and clean-up anytime between 4:00pm - 9:00pm. Maple syrup/pancake mix donations are also welcome. Interested in helping? Contact us: 416-364-7865 - info@stjamescathedral.ca

St. James Cathedral Sunday Services

We offer a range of services that reflect our Anglican heritage.

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 and Sunday School available for children*

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

**Please join us for Coffee Hour in Snell Hall after the 9:00am and 11:00am services.*

Next Sunday's Scripture: Feast of the Presentation

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 84; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Weekdays at St. James

Morning Prayer (Online): Monday-Saturday at 8:30am on YouTube. Join live Monday-Friday in our Zoom Chapel. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/

Holy Eucharist: Monday-Saturday at 12:15pm in St. George's Chapel

St. James Cathedral: Open for prayer and tourism 10:00-3:00pm Monday-Saturday

St. James Cathedral Centre: Open 9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday



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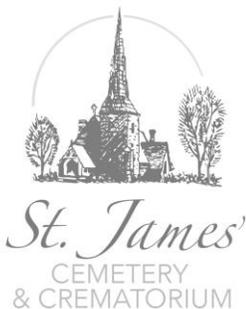
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Monthly Eucharist - First Wednesday of each month at 11:00am

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