



# **Easter Day**

*April 5, 2026*

*Procession & Choral Eucharist at 11:00am*

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

*Presider: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil*

*Homilist: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields*

*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Canon Kristen Pitts*

*Anointer: The Reverend Matthew Waterman, David Grant • Sub-Deacon: Paul Seddon*

*First Reader: Mary Asbil • Second Reader: Lucy Fields*

*Intercessor: George McNeillie • Honorary Verger: Paul D. Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: Andy Akin, Aidan Hopperton, Mary Hopperton,  
Wairimu Nduati and Yvonne Odhomi*

*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*

*Welcome! We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning.  
Please ensure that cell phones are muted.*

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*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. These are guidelines and we invite you to assume a posture that is most comfortable for you during the service.*

*Music of the Mass: Missa Brevis in C K.220 by W. A. Mozart*

**Prelude** Festive Music for Brass Quintet

### Welcome & Announcements

*Children are invited to gather at the chancel steps  
at the start of the service to participate in the procession.*

### The Easter Procession

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

*People* **In the name of Christ. Alleluia!**

### Hymn

Tune: Salve, Festa Dies

*All* *Refrain:*  
*Hail thee, festival day! Blest day that art hallowed for ever;*  
*Day wherein Christ arose, breaking the kingdom of death.*

All the fair beauty of earth from death of the winter arising!  
Every good gift of the year now with its Master returns:

*Refrain*

Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the Author of life and creation.  
Treading the pathway of death, new life you give to us all:

*Refrain*

He who was nailed to the cross is Ruler and Lord of all people.  
All things created on earth sing to the glory of God:

*Refrain*

Daily the loveliness grows, adorned with the glory of blossom;  
Heaven her gates unbars, flinging her increase of light:

*Refrain*

Spirit of life and of power, now flow in us, fount of our being,  
Light that enlightens us all, life that in all may abide.

*Refrain*

*At the station:*

*Presider* This is the day which the Lord has made. Alleluia!

*People* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!**

### **A Collect for Eastertide**

*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the resurrection from the dead of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we who celebrate this Paschal feast may die daily to sin, and live with him evermore in the glory of endless life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*During the hymn, the procession returns to the chancel.*

### **Hymn**

Tune: Vulpius

*All* Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way;  
let all the earth rejoice and say: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die,  
and sing with hearts uplifted high: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord  
the life laid down, the life restored: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: Cyril Argentine Alington, alt.; Music: Melody Melchior Vulpius; harm. Ernest Campbell MacMillan.

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*Presider* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Presider* May his grace and peace be with you.

*People* **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*During the Gloria, children will proceed to the Library  
in the Cathedral Centre for Sunday School; they will return at the Offertory.*

### **Gloria**

*Coventry Gloria – Peter Jones*

*Cantor* Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth;



*People* **Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, peace to his peo-ple, peace on earth;**

*Cantor* Lord God, Heavenly King, almighty God and Father,



*People* **Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, peace to his peo-ple, peace on earth;**

*Cantor* We worship you,



*People* **Glo-ry in the high - est,**

*Cantor* Give you thanks,



*People* **Glo-ry in the high - est,**

*Cantor* Praise you for your glory;



*People* **Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, peace to his peo-ple, peace on earth;**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God Lamb of God; you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us,



*People* **Have mer - cy on us,**

*Cantor* You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer,



*People* **Re - ceive our\_\_prayer,**

*Cantor* Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth;



*People* **Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, peace to his peo-ple, peace on earth;**

*Cantor* For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God – the glory of God the Father.



*People* Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, peace to his peo-ple, peace on earth;

*Cantor* Amen.



*People* A - men.

### Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death: fill your church with faith and hope, for a new day has dawned and the way of life stands before us; through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour.

*People* Amen.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### The First Reading

*Jeremiah 31:1-6*

*Reader* At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: 'Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.'

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

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

### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

*Chant by Allan Gray*

*Choir* O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.  
Let Israel now proclaim,

'His mercy endures for ever.'  
 The Lord is my strength and my song,  
 and he has become my salvation.  
 Joyful shouts of salvation  
 sound from the tents of the righteous:  
 'The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;  
 the right hand of the Lord raises up;  
 the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'  
 I shall not die, but live  
 and declare the works of the Lord.  
 The Lord has punished me sorely,  
 but he has not given me over to death.  
 Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
 that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.  
 This is the gate of the Lord;  
 the righteous shall enter through it.  
 I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
 and have become my salvation.  
 The stone which the builders rejected  
 has become the chief cornerstone.  
 This is the Lord's doing,  
 and it is marvellous in our eyes.  
 This is the day that the Lord has made;  
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## **The Second Reading**

*Colossians 3:1-4*

*Reader* So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

*Reader* The word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Celtic Alleluia

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

*Choir* Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

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

## The Holy Gospel

John 20:1-18

*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* Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.’ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.’ When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”’ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

*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,

*People* **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.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Presider* Let us pray in the name of our risen Lord, saying, "Living God, give us life."

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Living God,  
*People* **Give us life.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* God of glory, raise us up with Christ so that when Christ who is our life is revealed, we also will be revealed with him in glory.

*People* **Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

*Presider* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Presider* Most merciful God,  
*All* **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,**

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

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

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

*We offer each other a sign of peace.*

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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: Maccabaeus

*All* Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

*Refrain:*

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb.  
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let His church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

*Refrain*

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life!  
Life is nought without Thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conqu'rors, through Thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.

*Refrain*

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## **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Presider* God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord.

*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 to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

*Presider* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise 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 who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*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* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

*All* **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Silence*

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider* Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**All** Now we are raised to new life.

*Presider* We were buried in your tomb.

**All** Now we share in your resurrection.

*Presider* Live in us, that we may live in you.

## The Communion

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

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

## Agnus Dei

*Choir* Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

- *All are welcome to receive the Holy Sacrament or a blessing (indicate by crossing your hands over your chest).*
- *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 (at the front of the right aisle).*
- *It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons.*
- *Prayers for healing and anointing are available at the Baptistry.*

## Motet Eastertide Carol

Text G.R. Woodward;  
Music: Dutch Carol; arr. Charles Wood

*Choir* This joyful Eastertide away with sin and sorrow!  
My love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.  
*Had Christ, who once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain. But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber  
till trumpets east to west shall wake the dead in number.  
*Had Christ, who once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain. But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*

Death's flood hath lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river.  
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.  
*Had Christ, who once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain. But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Salzburg

*All* At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,  
gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love, eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from on high, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
death is broken in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light.  
Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall!  
Thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.

This, our gift of Easter joy, sin alone can now destroy;  
from sin's power do thou set free souls newborn, O Lord, in thee.  
Hymns of glory and of praise, Father, unto thee we raise;  
risen Lord, all praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

Text: Latin (Ad cenam Agni, 1632); tr. Robert Campbell;  
Music: Melody Jakob Hintze; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach.

## Motet **Surrexit Pastor Bonum**

Orlando di Lasso

*Choir* Surrexit pastor bonus,  
qui animam suam posuit pro ovibus suis,  
et pro grege suo mori dignatus est, alleluia.

*The Good Shepherd has arisen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep,  
and deigned to die for his flock, alleluia.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Presider* Let us pray.  
God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter  
sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Glory to God,  
*People* **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**

*Presider* May Almighty God who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* 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: Easter Hymn

*All* Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, alleluia!  
Who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!  
Unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's king, alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love, alleluia!  
Praise Him all ye heavenly host, alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

Text & Music: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Alleluia! Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world that God loves.

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

**Postlude** Sinfonia to Cantata 29 for organ and brass

*J.S. Bach*

### PRAYER CYCLE

*This week, please pray for:  
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## MEMORIAL FLOWERS • EASTER 2026

*The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:*

Walter M Bowen

Frances Gotts

Dr. C.E. Eappen and  
Dr. Rachel Thaysil Mathew Eappen

Annie Elizabeth,  
Archibald Macdonald Robison and  
Mary Hepditch

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*Easter plants have been donated by the Cathedral community in memory of the following loved ones:*

Ademola Adeoye	Elizabeth (Adams) and Don Jagoda
Chief Okunola & Mrs. Olasumbo Adeoye	Helen Milton and Susan Jessop
Mary and Henry Banfield	Carl I. Keddy
Roy and Maureen Banfield	James F. Kennedy
John Bannan Sr.	Michael Kennedy
Guillermo Belmonte-Pool	Nic Kingsmill
John and Joyce Gillam Braye	Agatha Klassen
Gary Braye	Margie and Frank Kysela
Bruce Buck	Peter Leggatt
Philip Cadogan and Mabel Cadogan	Dr. Jennifer Lynn Matthews
Nicole Cardillo	Annetta Maynard and Hilary Maynard
Clifford Roy and Barbara Charlton	Mr. & Mrs. Fred and Lillian McBride
Harry and Winnie Cheesman	Lawrence McDonough
Anne Cunningham Alvarenga	George Jaeger & Maclovio Medina
Gordon and Joyce Cunningham	Tim Miller
Joseph Dick	The Rev'd Florence &
Peter and Anna Dick	The Rev'd John Mowat
Michael Druce	Mei King Cheung Naidu
Wesley Eardley	Dr. Frank Nnamonu
Ida Fields and Mitchell Fields	Christopher Scholes
The Most Reverend Terence Edward Finlay	Albert & Florence Seddon
Mr. & Mrs. John B. Fraser	George & Mary Seddon
John Gardham	Mark and Andrea Shishakly
Nelson Gillam	Gale Williams Smith
Arthur & Patricia Griffin	Ramona & Douglas Strong
Archdeacon Ian Grant	Juliet Suman
Jim & Irene Melville-Gray	Vincenzina Eva Sorbara-Toderick
Sally Groper	Jayne Leslie Toderick
Bob and Molly Guy	Paul and Lois Toderick
Mr. & Mrs. Cameron Hawken	Father William Turkington, OHC
Douglas Hawken	Jim Unger
Julius and Mary Heinrichs	Mr. & Mrs. Bartlett Watt
Debra Cecile Heinrichs	Jean Winstanley
Kathleen (Kate) and Gordon Hobbs	Irving Wortsman
Tristan Holt	June Yearwood
Peter Horn	Nellie and Fred Yearwood
Steven Horn	
Jan Daniel Horn	

# St. James Cathedral Connections

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Today's Services: 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am\*, and 4:30pm.

\*1:30pm: Easter for Everyone - 2:00pm: Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

## Blessings for a Glorious Easter!



Easter proclaims that God's love is stronger than death and that new life is truly possible. At the empty tomb, despair gives way to hope, fear to courage, and confusion to faith. Easter is not only a celebration of what God has done in Christ, but a call to how we are to live now. The risen Christ meets us where we are and sends us out in love. This is the heart of evangelism: joyful witness. We share the good news because we have ourselves experienced mercy, forgiveness, and new beginnings in Christ. Our words and our lives point to the One who is alive within us and among us. Easter deepens our sense of call to discipleship. To follow the risen Lord is to walk daily in his way, learning his teaching, practicing prayer, seeking justice, and loving our neighbours. As we grow in Christ, we become a community shaped by resurrection hope. May this Easter help each of us to know Jesus more clearly, follow him more faithfully, and share his life-giving love with the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen! "Keep hope alive!"

The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields

(Sub-Dean & Vicar)

## Today • Easter for Everyone & Egg Hunt for families and children



### (New) Easter for Everyone:

All are invited to join us at 1:30pm for a 30-minute family-friendly service featuring the Children's Community Choir.

### Easter Egg Hunt:

Following the service, at 2:00pm, children are invited to take part and join the fun in our Easter Egg Hunt. Bring the kids, invite your friends and neighbours, and let's celebrate together.

## What's On

### **April 19 from 2:00 to 4:00pm • Signs of New Life! Collaborative Art Show**

Meet the artists and enjoy a reception in the Cathedral while supporting our Drop-In and outreach ministries. Artwork from Anglican parishes across the city will be on display and for sale, with proceeds going directly to the artists (or programs). Cash preferred.

### **April 26 at 11:00am • St. George's Society**

We will welcome members of the St. George's Society to the Choral Eucharist at 11:00am.

### **April 26 at 2:00pm • Toronto Districts Masonic Interfaith Service**

### **April 26 at 4:30pm • Diocesan Confirmation Service**

Join us as we celebrate Holy Confirmation and share in this joyful occasion.

## What's Next

### **May 3 at 4:30pm • Ordinations of Deacons**

Join the rest of the Diocese at the Ordination of Jonathan Kang, Christine Lambert, and Grace Rockett to the Sacred Order of Deacons in the Cathedral. Presider: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil, Bishop of Toronto. Preacher: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields.

### **May 17 • Thy Kingdom Come: Join the global wave of prayer**

Thy Kingdom Come is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. Stay tuned for more details.

### **May 23 & 24 • Doors Open 2026**

Mark your calendars! We are looking forward to welcoming thousands of visitors over the Doors Open weekend at St. James Cathedral and St. James Cemetery. More to come, stay tuned.

## What's Needed

### **Drop-In • Call for Spring & Summer Volunteers**

Free on Fridays? The Drop-In welcomes your support. Details: Kathy Biasi- Outreach Manager at [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca), 416-364-7865 Ext. 221 or [stjamescathedral.ca/dropin](http://stjamescathedral.ca/dropin)

### **May 23 & 24 • Doors Open 2026 – Call for Volunteers**

Volunteers from the St. James community play a vital role in helping everyone who comes through our doors feel welcome and appreciated. If you would like to help this year, please email the Cathedral office at [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) or call (416)364-7865.

Stay tuned for more details.

## This Week at St. James

The Vicar will be away on his winter break from April 6-12. The Reverend Matthew Waterman will be the Priest-in-Charge during this time.

**Organ Recital:** Tuesday at 1:00pm. Organist: Joshua Duncan Lee.

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

**Drop-In:** Fridays 1:30pm-3:30pm. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/community/dropin](http://stjamescathedral.ca/community/dropin)

**Children's Choir:** Rehearsals on Saturdays at 9:30am. Info: [stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir/)

## 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 service with the Cathedral Choir & Sunday School\*

**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 Readings: Apr. 12 – Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

## Weekdays at St. James

**Morning Prayer (Online):** This week, join us Tuesday-Friday at 8:30am on Zoom or YouTube. Saturday's prayer is available on YouTube. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer](http://stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer)

**Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm:** This week, Tuesday-Saturday at 12:15pm at St. George's Chapel.

**St. James Cathedral:** This week, open 10:00am-3:00pm, Tuesday-Saturday.

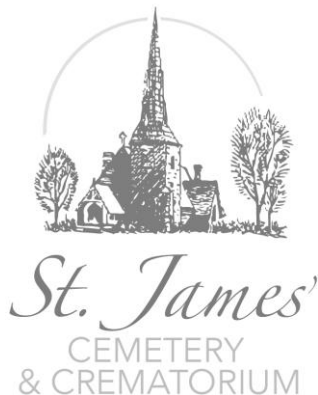
**St. James Cathedral Centre:** This week, open 9:00am-4:00pm, Tuesday-Friday.

**Weekly Newsletter:** Sign up at [stjamescathedral.ca](http://stjamescathedral.ca). Confirm your email after registration.

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## St. James Cemetery & Crematorium

### Monthly Eucharist

First Wednesday of each month at 11:00am

### Did you know?

St. James Cemetery offers a full range of cremation and burial services. Pre-planning assures your wishes are honoured and provides support for your loved ones as they grieve.

Our caring team is here to help.

For more information, please visit [stjamescemetery.ca](http://stjamescemetery.ca) or contact us at 416-964-9194 or [cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca)