



# **Trinity Sunday**

*May 31, 2026*

*Choral Eucharist at 11:00am*

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

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## Today at St. James

*Bishop: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil*

*Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields*

*Homilist: The Venerable Cheryl Palmer*

*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Lynn Braye • Sub-Deacon: Paul D. Seddon, ODT*

*Anointer: The Reverend Matthew Waterman, David Grant*

*First Reader: Don Solomon, ODT • Second Reader: Kate Uchendu*

*Intercessor: Sandra Mowat • Honorary Verger: Paul D. Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: Andy Akin, Stanley Baptiste,  
Sean Hopperton, Aidan Hopperton and Brainerd Blyden-Taylor*

*Dancers: Tammy Taylor Deane, Aliya Whyte, Angela Whyte,  
Juanita Williams (soloist), Marsha Williams Alexander*

*Choreographer: Constance Kendall, ODT*

*Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell • Associate Organist: Jean-Paul Feo*

*Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Joshua Duncan Lee*

*Percussionist: Anthony Pierre*

*Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral*

Today, we mark the final Sunday of full-time ministry for our Sub-Dean & Vicar, The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields, as he prepares for retirement on June 30, 2026. We give thanks for 45 years of ordained ministry, today being the 45th anniversary of this Ordination to the Diaconate.

*The flowers are given to the glory of God.*

*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: A Little Jazz Mass by Bob Chilcot*

### Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

### Hymn

Tune: Nicaea

*All* Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:  
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Text: Reginald Hebert, alt.; Music: John Bacchus Dykes; Tune: Nicaea.

*Presider* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

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

*Presider* Almighty God,

*People* **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Kyrie Eleison**

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

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

## **Gloria**

*A Little Jazz Mass*

Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.  
Quoniam Tu solus sanctus, Tu solus Dominus,  
Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe.  
Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

## **Collect of the Day**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Holy One, whose fingers sculpted sun and moon; Holy Spirit, who brooded over the waters of creation; Holy Word, who lives in us; may we share in your grace, love and communion, so that we may live in your likeness; for you live in unity and diversity, one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **The First Reading**

*Genesis 1:1-2:4*

*Reader* In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds

of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

*Reader*  
*People*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 8**

*Chant by J. Corfe*

*Choir*

O Lord our governor,  
how glorious is your name in all the world!  
Your majesty above the heavens is praised  
out of the mouths of babes at the breast.  
You have founded a stronghold against your foes,  
that you might still the enemy and the avenger.  
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have ordained,  
What is man, that you should be mindful of him;  
the son of man, that you should seek him out?  
You have made him little lower than the angels  
and crown him with glory and honour.  
You have given him dominion over the works of your hands

and put all things under his feet,  
All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,  
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea  
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.  
O Lord our governor,  
how glorious is your name in all the world!

## The Second Reading

*2 Corinthians 13:11-13*

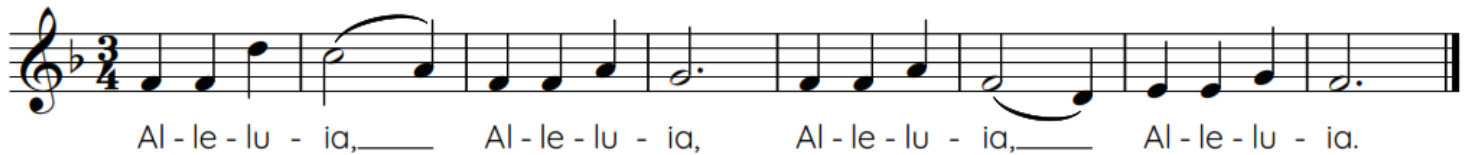
*Reader* Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

Abraham Maraire



*Choir* Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

## The Holy Gospel

*Matthew 28:16-20*

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

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

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

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

*Deacon* Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

*Deacon* The Gospel of Christ. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

## **An Affirmation of faith**

*Presider* Let us declare our faith in the Triune God.

*People* **We believe in God, Source of all being, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God, the Eternal Word, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Presider* Let us pray to the one God, the Creator of all there is, the Redeemer of the world, and the Giver of life, saying, "Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord in your mercy,

*People* **hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* Most holy and glorious Trinity, source of all life and goodness, we give you thanks for the wonder of your creation, for the grace of our redemption in Christ, and for the gift of your Spirit who sustains and renews us. Receive the prayers we offer this day, and grant that our lives may continually proclaim your praise.

*People* **To God be the glory for the things God has done. Amen.**

## **Prayer Dance**

My Tribute (To God be the Glory)

How can I say thanks for the things you have done for me,  
The things so undeserved and yet you give to prove your love for me?  
The voices of a million angels could not express my gratitude.  
All that I am and ever hop to be I owe it all to thee.

To God be the glory, to God be the glory,  
To God be the glory, for the things he has done.  
With is blood he has saved me, with his power he has raised me.  
To God be the glory, for the things he has done.

Just let me live my life, let it be pleasing Lord to thee,  
And if I gain any praise, let it go to Calvary.  
With is blood he has saved me, with his power he has raised me.  
To God be the glory, for the things he has done.

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**Greetings**     *The Rev. Professor Canon Kortright Davis (Read by The Reverend Leonard Leader)*  
*The Very Reverend Peter Wall (Read by The Most Reverend Colin Johnson)*

## **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**

*All*     Bright the vision that delighted  
once the sight of Judah's seer;  
sweet the countless tongues united  
to entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated  
cherubim and seraphim  
filled his temple, and repeated  
each to each the alternate hymn:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
earth is with its fullness stored;  
unto thee be glory given,  
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

Heaven is still with glory ringing,  
earth takes up the angels' cry,  
'Holy, holy, holy,'--singing,  
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

With his seraph train before him,  
with his holy church below,  
thus unite we to adore him,  
bid we thus our anthem flow:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
earth is with its fullness stored;  
unto thee be glory given,  
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Presider* Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving** (*A Eucharistic Prayer of Emancipation and Liberating Grace*)

*Presider* God is here.

*People* **God will never forsake us.**

*Presider* We lift our hearts.

*People* **With soul and strength we lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* God's goodness never ends.

*People* **And thanksgiving will never cease.**

*Presider* We give thanks to you, O God, because through your goodness you have made all creation good. Time and again we have disfigured the beauty of your creation; and we have brought pain and hurt into our world, and towards one another. You lead your people out of bondage, you sent your prophets to the widow in Zarephath and her son, and to the leper, Naaman the Syrian.

In our time, with faithful servants, saints and martyrs, you have delivered your people from the tyrannies of slavery, holocaust, apartheid, and degradation. Your empowering and liberating presence will continue to enrich and sustain us who wrestle and struggle against the evils of oppression, exploitation, discrimination and exclusion.

Therefore, with all your servants, saints, and martyrs, and all the heavenly host of witnesses, we acclaim your glorious and matchless Name, as we sing:

## **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 the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

*Presider* Sovereign Lord God, you revealed your eternal love for all your creatures in the gift of Your Son, Jesus, whom you sent to reconcile creation and make it new. With acts of love and compassion, he gave hope to those who were filled with despair. The enemies of justice and mercy pursued him to death.

On the night before his death, after eating the Passover with his friends, Jesus did something new. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this always in remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said “Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the New Covenant which is poured out for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the re-living of my life.”

And so, Loving God, as we gather around this table, joyfully responding to his commandment, and as we share the bread and cup of Christ’s liberating love, we renew our faith as we proclaim:

*People* **The enemies of evil, sin and death will be defeated, and we will share in the victory of our redemption in God’s reign in all the world.**

*Presider* We therefore pray you to breathe your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these gifts that we lift up to you: this bread, this cup. Make them, with us, visible signs and symbols of your abiding love and presence among all your people, as we strive to respond to your mission in the world. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory, praise and power is yours, Creator of all, from generation to generation.

*People* **Amen.**

Stephen D. Fields, edited by Kortright D. Davis, 2016

## **The Lord’s Prayer**      *With Dancer*

*Malotte*

*Choir* Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done,

In earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
As we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
And the power,  
And the glory, forever. Amen.

*Silence*

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

*Presider* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

### **The Communion**

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

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

### **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.*

### **Communion Hymn**

Tune: Grosser Gott

*All* Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.  
All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.  
Infinite your vast domain; everlasting is your reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;  
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,  
fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord."

Lo, the apostolic train join the sacred name to hallow;  
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow;  
and from morn to set of sun through the church the song goes on.

Glory through eternity: Spirit, Word, and blest Creator.  
God of gracious tenderness, at your feet we sinners gather;  
light and mercy, now, we pray, give your people for this day.

### **Communion Hymn**

Tune: Laudate omnes gentes

*All* Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum.  
Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum.

Sing praises, all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord.  
Sing praises, all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord.

Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum.  
Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum.

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### **Motet**

#### **Laudate Dominum**

W.A. Mozart

*Choir*

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes  
Laudate eum, omnes populi  
Quoniam confirmata est  
Super nos misericordia eius  
Et veritas, veritas Domini manet, manet in aeternum. Amen.

*Praise the Lord, all nations;  
Praise Him, all people.  
For He has bestowed  
His mercy upon us,  
And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Amen.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider*

Let us pray.  
Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship  
you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the  
name of Jesus Christ the 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**

*Bishop* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

### **Hymn**

Tune: Miles Lane

*All* All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, the heir of David's line,  
whom David Lord did call,  
the God incarnate, life divine,  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
praise him whose burning path you trod,  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
go, spread your trophies at his feet,  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Let every tongue and every tribe,  
delivered from the fall,  
to Christ all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all

O that, with heaven's sacred throng,  
we at his feet may fall,  
lift high the universal song,  
and crown him, crown him,  
crown him, crown him Lord of all!

Text: Edward Perronet, alt.  
Music: William Shrubsole

## Dismissal

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

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

**Postlude** Prelude to Te Deum

*Marc-Antoine Charpentier*

## PRAYER CYCLE

*This week, please pray for:*

*Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda; Regional Ministries in the Diocese of Toronto and the Music Ministry*

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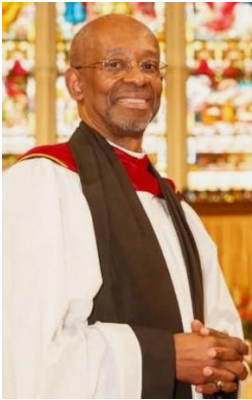
Sunday, May 31, 2026

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

**Farewell:** Join us for coffee hour & cake (after 9:00am service) and reception (after 11:00am service), to celebrate and give thanks for Canon Stephen's ministry.

## ☀️ What's On ☀️

### **Message from The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields**



My time at St. James Cathedral has been marked by deep gratitude, growth, and joy. Beginning ministry during the COVID-19 pandemic brought real challenges, requiring adaptability, resilience, and patience.

These experiences reinforced the importance of compassionate, grounded leadership and the strength of community. A central highlight has been nurturing a liturgical life rooted in Anglican tradition while open to creative and meaningful expressions, such as the Bob Marley Mass and TeneBrass. Alongside services marking key moments in the life of the Church and wider society, these have helped shape worship that is engaging and responsive.

Pastoral ministry has been a profound privilege, walking with members of the community through moments of joy, grief, and transition. I am especially thankful for the collaborative spirit of lay and ordained leaders, and for the growth of a more inclusive and participatory worshipping community. Expanded lay involvement, engaging our children, and the continuation of daily prayer online have all enriched our common life.

Looking ahead, there is much hope. Creative worship, strong outreach ministries, growing engagement with younger generations, and dedicated leadership all point to a vibrant future. At the same time, opportunities remain in deepening Christian formation, encouraging broader participation, strengthening stewardship, and caring for the Cathedral's historic building.

On a personal note, this season has deepened my vocation as a liturgist and my service to the wider Diocese. As Lucy and I conclude what has been a joyful and fulfilling ministry, we say a heartfelt "thank you" to Bishop Andrew Asbil, the Deans, Wardens, clergy, staff, volunteers, and the entire Cathedral community for your love and support.

### **June 4 at 1:00pm • Early Music at St. James – St. George's Chapel**

*Blockflöte, Bergamo and Bach.* Toronto Baroque Players: Ryoko Hou, harpsichord, Samuel Rothermel, viola & Ivan Vutev, viola da gamba. Music by Telemann, Rameau, Marino, and Bach.

### **June 6 from 10:00am to 11:30am • Community Playdate**

Enjoy coffee on us while the kids play together. Open to all. RSVP: [stjamescathedral.ca/playdate](http://stjamescathedral.ca/playdate)

### **June 9, 20, 23 & 28 • Cathedral Tours - *Discover the beauty inside***

Tours take place at 1:00pm on June 20 & 28, and at 2:00pm on June 9 & 23. No RSVP. 40-min.

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### **June 13 at 10:00am • Children's Community Choir Concert**

Join us for a joyful Children's Community Choir concert and experience the beauty of young voices in harmony. Reception follows. Invite your family, friends and neighbours.

### **June 14 at 1:00pm • York Group Presentation & Lunch with Canon Geoffrey**

Join us after the 11:00am coffee hour for *The Seasons of the Church Year* by The Rev. Canon Geoffrey Sangwine our Sub-Dean & Vicar Designate, followed by a light lunch.

RSVP: [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) or 416-364-7865. All are warmly invited.

### **June 14 at 4:30pm • Jazz with Pride**

Celebrate the Toronto Jazz Festival and Pride Month with *JAZZ with Pride*, a Jazz Vespers service featuring a local band *Kalabash* and the St. James Cathedral Choir. All are invited.

### **June 26 at 6:00pm • Family Fun Night – Theme: Beach Party**

Families, children, and youth of all ages are invited to join us for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship! Dinner and light refreshments provided. RSVP: [stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight](http://stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight)

## ☀ What's Needed ☀

### **July 1 • Canada Day Drop-In & Community BBQ – Call for Volunteers**

The Drop-In needs helping hands in the kitchen, with setup, serving, and cleanup. Interested? Contact: Kathy Biasi, Outreach Manager at 416-3647865 Ext. 222 or [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca)

### **This Week at St. James**

**Organ Recital:** Tuesday 1:00pm. Organist: Michelle Chung. [stjamescathedral.ca/events/recitals](http://stjamescathedral.ca/events/recitals)

**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**

**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: June 7 – Second Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

### **Weekdays at St. James**

**Morning Prayer (Online):** Join us Monday–Friday at 8:30am live on Zoom or YouTube.

Saturday's prayer is available on YouTube. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer](http://stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer)

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

**St. James Cathedral:** Open for prayer & tourism, 10:00am-3:00pm, Monday-Saturday

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

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