

# St. James Cathedral Connections

Sunday, February 8, 2026

## Message from the Dean

Jacqui and I are away on sabbatical until 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. For details about clergy and staff responsibilities: [stjamescathedral.ca/sabbatical2026](http://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.

We look forward to welcoming Geoff and his partner Mark to our Cathedral community.

Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/newvicar2026](http://stjamescathedral.ca/newvicar2026)

## What's On

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

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/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/beinganglican/)

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

Enjoy a meal of pancakes with fun for the whole family. This is an opportunity to get together as a community in fellowship and celebration before Lent begins. Free event with suggested donations of \$10 per person or \$20 per family. RSVP: [stjamescathedral.ca/pancakesupper/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/pancakesupper/)

### **Feb. 18 • Ash Wednesday Services**

Services at 7:30am, 12:15pm, and 6:30pm with imposition of ashes.

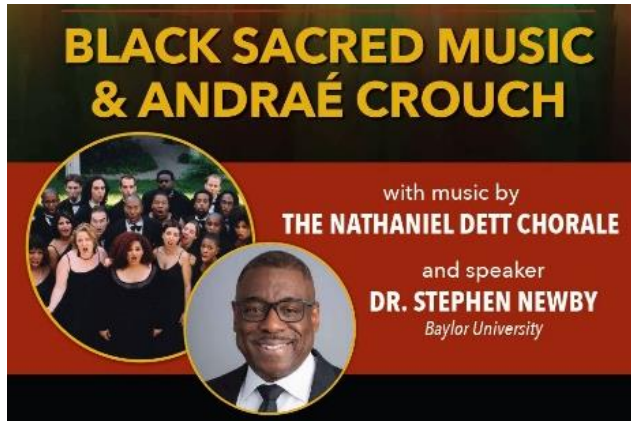
Ashes to go: Outside the Cathedral after the 12:15pm service and at King Station from 4:30pm-5:30pm. The Cathedral will be open for prayer from 7:30am – 7:30pm.

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

Children and youth ages 8–17 are welcome. We will be empowering youth to see the world as it is and imagine what it could be, then take action through art, storytelling, prayer, reflection, and advocacy. RSVP: [stjamescathedral.ca/exploration-day/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/exploration-day/)

# ☼ What's Next ☼

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## **Feb. 22 at 4:30pm • Snell Lecture**

Celebrate Black History Month with the first Snell Lecture of 2026, an inspiring afternoon of music and conversation featuring The Nathaniel Dett Chorale, followed by a lecture from Dr. Stephen Newby of Baylor University, who will examine the deep theological and cultural significance of Andrae Crouch's contribution to Gospel Music.

Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/snell\\_lecture](http://stjamescathedral.ca/snell_lecture)

## **Feb. 22 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm • International Potluck in Snell Hall**

After the Snell Lecture, join us for an international potluck highlighting the diverse nations and cultures in our Cathedral community. Sign up to share a dish and get more details here:

[stjamescathedral.ca/potluck](http://stjamescathedral.ca/potluck)

## **Feb. 22 – Mar. 22 • Faithfulness in the Midst of Suffering during Lent**

Reflect on the Book of Job through Sunday sermons and Wednesday online group discussions (Zoom) at 7:00pm. For more information and to RSVP, please visit: [stjamescathedral.ca/lent/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/lent/)

## **Mar. 7 at 2:00pm • World Day of Prayer 2026**

All are invited to attend the ecumenical worship service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, King & Simcoe streets (steps from St. Andrew's TTC station). Focus: Women of Nigeria.

## **Mar. 8 at 1:00pm: In-person Baptism Classes begin**

Interested in baptism or reaffirming your baptismal vows? Join Rev. Matthew for an introduction to the Christian faith and preparation for the Easter Vigil on April 4. Registration required. Please email Rev. Matthew Waterman at [mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca)

# ☼ What's Needed ☼

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## **Feb. 15 after the 11:00am service • Crosses from last Palm Sunday**

Bring last year's blessed palm crosses and branches to the baskets provided in the Cathedral. They will be burned on Feb. 15. The ashes will be used for Ash Wednesday services on Feb. 18.

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

We need help to make pancakes, set up, decorate Snell Hall, serve, & clean-up anytime between 4:00pm - 9:00pm. Interested in helping? Contact us: 416-364-7865 or [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca)

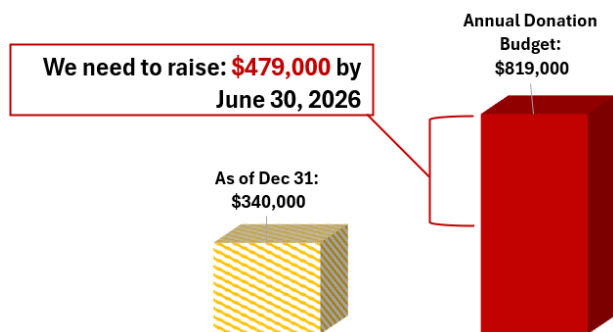
## Food for Thought Trivia Night – Volunteers Needed

Join the working group for our next Trivia Night fundraiser supporting essential foot care for Drop-In participants. For more information, contact Kathy Biasi – Outreach Manager at [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca), 416-364-7865 Ext. 222 or visit [stjamescathedral.ca/dropin](http://stjamescathedral.ca/dropin)

## Call for Members: Drop-In Program Working Group

Help guide and strengthen St. James Drop-In programming over the next two years by joining the Program Working Group. For more information, contact Kathy Biasi – Outreach Manager at [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca), 416-364-7865 Ext. 222 or visit [stjamescathedral.ca/dropin](http://stjamescathedral.ca/dropin)

## Your Gift Matters at St. James



Thank you for your generous support during the Christmas season. While December giving increased, donations remain 30% below budget. We need \$479,000 by June 30 to meet our fiscal year goal. Please consider increasing your regular giving by 5% in 2026, or begin giving today. Every contribution strengthens our mission and makes a meaningful impact.

To donate, scan our QR code or visit [stjamescathedral.ca/donate/give-online](http://stjamescathedral.ca/donate/give-online)



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## This Week at St. James

Your 2025 donation tax receipts have been mailed out.

**Organ Recitals:** Tuesdays at 1:00pm. Full schedule: [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)

**Cathedral Choir:** The Choir of St. James Cathedral welcomes singers with musical experience. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/worship/music/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/worship/music/)

**Change Ringers:** Welcoming new participants with or without prior experience. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/worship/change-ringers/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/worship/change-ringers/)

**Children's Community Choir:** No rehearsal on Saturday, Feb. 14. Resume on Saturday, Feb. 21. Details: [stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir/)

## St. James Cathedral Sunday Services

*The Vicar is preaching today in the Church of St. Thomas à Becket, Mississauga.*

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 9:00 and 11:00 services.*

### Next Sunday's Scripture: The Last Sunday after Epiphany

Exodus 24.12-18; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1.16-21; Matthew 17.1-9

### 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/](http://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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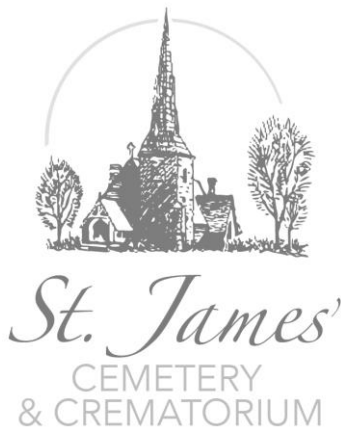
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### St. James Cemetery & Crematorium

#### 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.

Please get in touch with the office for more information.

Visit [stjamescemeterly.ca](http://stjamescemeterly.ca), or call 416-964-9194, or send an email to [cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca)