

St. James Cathedral Connections

Sunday, May 3, 2026

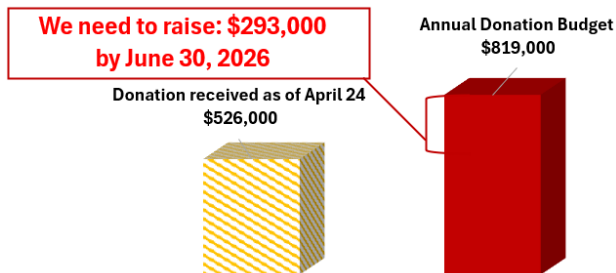
Today's services: 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, and 4:30pm.

4:30pm: Ordinations of Deacons - Jonathan Kang, Christine Lambert, and Grace Rockett.

Presider: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil. Preacher: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields.

Financial Update

As we receive the financial update from our Executive Director, we do so in the light of the Easter story we share, a story of faithful giving, sacrificial love, and hope even in the face of challenge. The deficit before us is not simply a number, but a reminder of the real needs of sustaining ministry, supporting those who serve, and caring for the sacred space from which our outreach flows. Yet even here, we are invited into the Easter promise: that what is offered in faith, even when resources feel stretched, can be renewed and made fruitful. This moment calls us not to discouragement, but to renewed commitment, trusting that together our generosity can help strengthen and sustain this vital work. The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields, Sub-Dean & Vicar



Thank you for your faithful generosity supporting the Cathedral's mission. As of April 24, donations are 25% below budget and we need **\$293,000** by **June 30** to meet our fiscal-year goal. While staff are working diligently to control costs and reduce the deficit, I encourage you to prayerfully consider increasing your regular giving, beginning to give, or

make a one-time gift in response to the Easter promise. I invite you to experience with us the renewal of faith through the practice of financial giving. Susan So, Executive Director

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☀ What's On ☀

May • Cathedral Tours - *Discover the beauty inside*

May 3, 16, 17 at 1:00pm & May 12, 26 at 2:00pm. No RSVP. Free 40-minute tours. Open to all.

May 11 • Welcoming the New Vicar/Sub Dean for St. James Cathedral

We are delighted to welcome the Rev. Canon Geoffrey Sangwine as our next Vicar and Sub Dean. We look forward to welcoming Geoff and his partner Mark to our Cathedral community.

Good News!

We are pleased to share that the Cathedral clock is now working again, thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor.

☀ What's Next ☀

May 17 at 4:30pm • Thy Kingdom Come: Join the global wave of prayer

You're warmly invited to Thy Kingdom Come at St. James Cathedral, a special worship service featuring prayers in Cantonese, Tagalog, Twi, Spanish, Tamil and other languages of Toronto. Reception follows. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/thykingdomcome

May 22 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm • Family Fun Night

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

May 24 • Baptism this Pentecost

We are offering Baptism on Pentecost Sunday, May 24. For more information, please contact The Rev. Matthew Waterman at mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca

May 23 & 24 from 10:00am to 5:00pm (Cathedral & Cemetery) • Doors Open 2026

At St. James Cathedral, visitors can enjoy guided tours, organ demonstrations, an open rehearsal with the Children's Community Choir, and the always popular bell tower tours with the Change Ringers Guild. At St. James Cemetery, guided and self-guided tours will be available.

Details: stjamescathedral.ca/doorsopen

Call for Volunteers

We hope you will volunteer for this special event. The Cathedral is seeking volunteers on both days to welcome visitors, provide information, and support activities. St. James Cemetery is also seeking volunteers, please contact cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

Volunteer orientation sessions

Sunday, May 17 at 3:00pm and Friday, May 22 at 10:00am. To volunteer at the Cathedral, visit stjamescathedral.ca/doorsopen and complete the sign-up form.

May 31 at 11:00am • Vicar's Last Sunday: A Celebration of Ministry

We will give thanks for the Vicar's 45 years of ordained ministry as he retires June 30, 2026.

Invitation: Join us for coffee hour and cake (after 9:00am service) and a farewell reception (after 11:00am service), as we gather to celebrate and give thanks for Canon Stephen's ministry.

Farewell Gift: If you would like to express your appreciation by contributing to Vicar's Farewell Gift, you may e-transfer to bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca and specify *Vicar's Farewell Gift* in the message, make your gift at the Sunday offering or drop off your gift at 65 Church Street and specify *Vicar's Farewell Gift* on the envelope. Please note that contributions towards the farewell gift are non-receiptable. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/vicar

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 4:30pm • Jazz with Pride

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

☀ What's Needed ☀

Drop-In • Call for Spring & Summer Volunteers

Free on Fridays? The Drop-In appreciates your support. Details: Kathy Biasi - Outreach Manager at kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca, 416-364-7865 Ext. 221 or visit stjamescathedral.ca/dropin

This Week at St. James

Organ Recital: Tuesday at 1:00pm. Organist: William Lupton (St. Martin-in-the-Fields).

Full schedule: 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

Children's Choir: Rehearsals on Saturdays at 9:30am. Info: 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: May 10 – The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:7-18; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

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

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

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

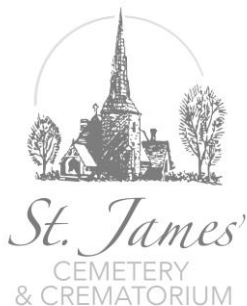
St. James Cathedral Centre: Open 9:00am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday

Weekly Newsletter: Sign up at stjamescathedral.ca. 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 or contact us at 416-964-9194 or cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca