



Cathedral News

CHRISTMAS EDITION 2025



Come and behold!

Gather with us at St George's Cathedral as we celebrate Christmas with grand and glorious services. You are warmly welcome to join us in-person or online. Invite a friend!

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

8:00am Holy Eucharist

The Rev. Dr. Reagan Gale, preacher

10:30am Choral Eucharist with the Pageant (live-streamed)

The Rev. Dr. Reagan Gale, preacher

4:30pm Christmas Lessons & Carols (live-streamed)

Christmas Eve

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

12:15pm Midday Eucharist

The Rev. Gerry Moore, presider

4:00pm Family Eucharist (live-streamed)

The Very Rev. Douglas Michael, preacher

7:00pm Choral Eucharist

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9:30pm Festal Choral Eucharist (live-streamed)

The Right Rev. William Cliff, preacher

Christmas Day

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:00am Holy Eucharist with Carols

The Right Rev. William Cliff, preacher

The First Sunday after Christmas

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

8:00am Holy Eucharist

Sarah Earl, preacher

10:30am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

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*You can watch online and download the service leaflets
by visiting www.stgeorgescathedral.ca/christmas.*



Merry Christmas!

From all the Cathedral clergy and staff, we wish you and yours a wonderful Christmas!

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Valerie's brothers, Donald and Gerald Leamar and niece Pam and her husband, Larry, from Valerie & Bill McCready.

Message from the Bookkeeper

If you have moved during 2025 and have a new address, or email, please make sure you have advised St. George's office/bookkeeper in order that tax receipts for 2025 will be sent to the correct address. Also, Christmas envelopes are in the pews and at the back of the Cathedral, for your convenience. Thank you, Marg

Memory Tree

The tree with blue lights at the back of the church is the tree in memory of loved ones. Cards with blue ribbon are nearby to write the name(s) of people you would like to remember at this time of year. Place the blue ribbon card on the tree.

Annual Vestry Reports

All committee chairs are asked to please submit 2025 annual reports to the office by February 6, 2026. Thank you.

Safe Church Workshop | January 17, 9:30am-12:30pm

This workshop, mandated by the Diocesan Safe Church Policy, is for volunteers, clergy and staff who are involved in both medium and high risk ministries. Speak to Jane Kirkpatrick for more information.

Notes from the Treasurer | Mid-December Update

Regrettably, donations continue to fall short of the weekly targets. For weeks 1 & 2 of this December, the goal was \$4,000 per Sunday. We stand at about \$6,000, a shortfall of \$2,000. As a guide, this time last year we had donations of \$11,650. The monthly goal in 2024 was the same as this year, \$60,000. However, we achieved \$74,650! In 2024! The challenge is before us for this year!

On a special note, I'm very pleased to report that a donation of \$20,000 by Sharon Bate, in memory of her late husband John Bate, has been received. John had a life-long long association with the Anglican church. He was a great supporter of St George's and is best remembered as one of the three Johns of the Merry Men who worked repairing the fabric of the Cathedral. Warren Everett, Treasurer

Projects Report

The Projects Group extends to you a very happy thank you for your very general support of Mrs. Patmore's Pantry. The monies raised will be directed to the up-keep of our windows. An assessment of the windows was recently done by the Ottawa firm that repaired the window in the Great Hall. An in depth report will be available very shortly. We will report to you the findings of this assessment in the New Year. A special thank you goes to Ken Whatley who graciously accepted our request to be the lead for Projects in the assessment process. Christmas Blessings to you all!

Office Closure & Pastoral Care

The office will be closed from Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 12pm until Tuesday, Jan. 6th. Phone messages will be checked over the holiday season.

For pastoral care needs:

December 23-30: Fr. Gerry Moore – 613-385-1279

December 30-January 4: Dean Doug Michael – 705-441-1199

Dean Doug will be on vacation after Sunday, January 4, 10:30 am service. He will return on Thursday, Jan. 8.

The next newsletter will be sent on Friday, January 9. Visit our website for up-to-date information.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We welcome names for prayer. Prayer requests can be offered by filling out a prayer notice located in the narthex. We review the Prayer List frequently. Should you prefer to keep a name on the list, or to add another name, please contact the office.

WE PRAY FOR: We pray for Alex & Wendy Pierson, Nikki, Jack, Kasia Gwynne-Timothy, St. George's Sponsee family overseas, James, Leigh Smith, Sarah MacDonnell, David Delahaye, Anne Juneau, Gill Cleghorn, Gregoire, Lois & Ted Wells, Brian Kyle, Judith Challis, Marilyn & Family, Kim Irvine-Albano and family, Mike Bowen, Kim, Gwyneth Holtrop and family, Rebecca, Deacon Don Goodwin, Jim Stewart, David Cameron, The Ven. Michael Caswell, Bill McCready, and for the Middle East and Ukraine.

Support the Cathedral

E-Transfer: finance@stgeorgescathedral.ca

Online: www.stgeorgescathedral.ca/give

In-Person: as the plate is passed or by 'tap'

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