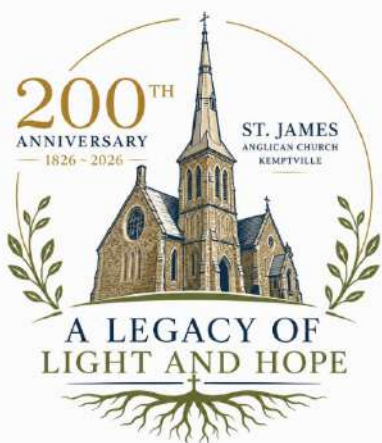




PRAYER FOR OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR:

O Lord God, the keeper of all our days,
We give you thanks and praise for all the ways
You have watched over and cared for St. James' parish.
May we continue to serve in your name;
Steadfastly proclaim your goodness;
And readily testify to all your blessings;
So all the world may come under your loving banner.
This we ask through Jesus Christ the Lord,
Who with the Holy Spirit is ever One God, world without end.
Amen.

St James News & Notes, Friday, September 11, 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 13, HOLY EUCHARIST, 8:00am

Sunday, September 13, HOLY EUCHARIST & Cemetery Memorial Service, 10:30am

Readings: Exodus 14:19-31; Psalm 114; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

MID-WEEK HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE, Wednesday, September 16, 10:30am

LITANY OF RECONCILIATION, every Friday, 12noon at the Church Doors.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday – Friday, 9am – 1pm

FROM THE RECTOR:

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8 September

Memorial

September

A legend dating from the second century tells this story about the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary:1

Once upon a time there was a Jewish couple named Jo'-a-chim and Anne. They were elderly, and their neighbours reproached them for not having any children. But God heard Anne's laments and sent an angel to tell her: "You shall conceive and bear, and your offspring shall be spoken of in all the world."

Anne responded: "As the Lord my God lives, if I bear a child, whether male or female, I will bring it as a gift to the Lord my God, and it shall serve him all the days of its life."

And so it came to pass that Anne conceived; and when the time was fulfilled, she gave birth to a daughter and named her Mary. Both parents vowed to dedicate their child to the service of God, and when she was three years old they presented her in the temple at Jerusalem. "And

the high priest placed Mary on the third step of the altar, and the Lord God put grace upon the child, and she danced for joy with her feet, and the whole house of Israel loved her.”

Such is the legend of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and we continue to tell the story because it bears witness to a deeper truth of faith — that Mary herself was the daughter of Israel’s hope and the child whose own offspring would fulfill the longing of the whole family of creation.

(For All the Saints. Prayers and Readings for Saints' Days. Anglican Church of Canada).

The Reverend Rogério de Assis, M.Ed.

Fr. Rogério is always available for pastoral visits, either in home or in hospital. He can be reached at revrogerio.assis@gmail.com, or (437) 299-5057.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The hot, humid summer has brought mould back to the church basement! We have purchased a new dehumidifier, and we are cleaning to get rid of the mould and make our basement space usable again.

Choir members, please wash your robes (and any extra robes) to get rid of the mould. For those who have things stored in the basement, please check everything for mould.

This is a parish-wide effort to get our church areas safe and usable again! Please help!



Our PROPERTY COMMITTEE at work, cleaning the basement! Two loads of garbage went to the dump!

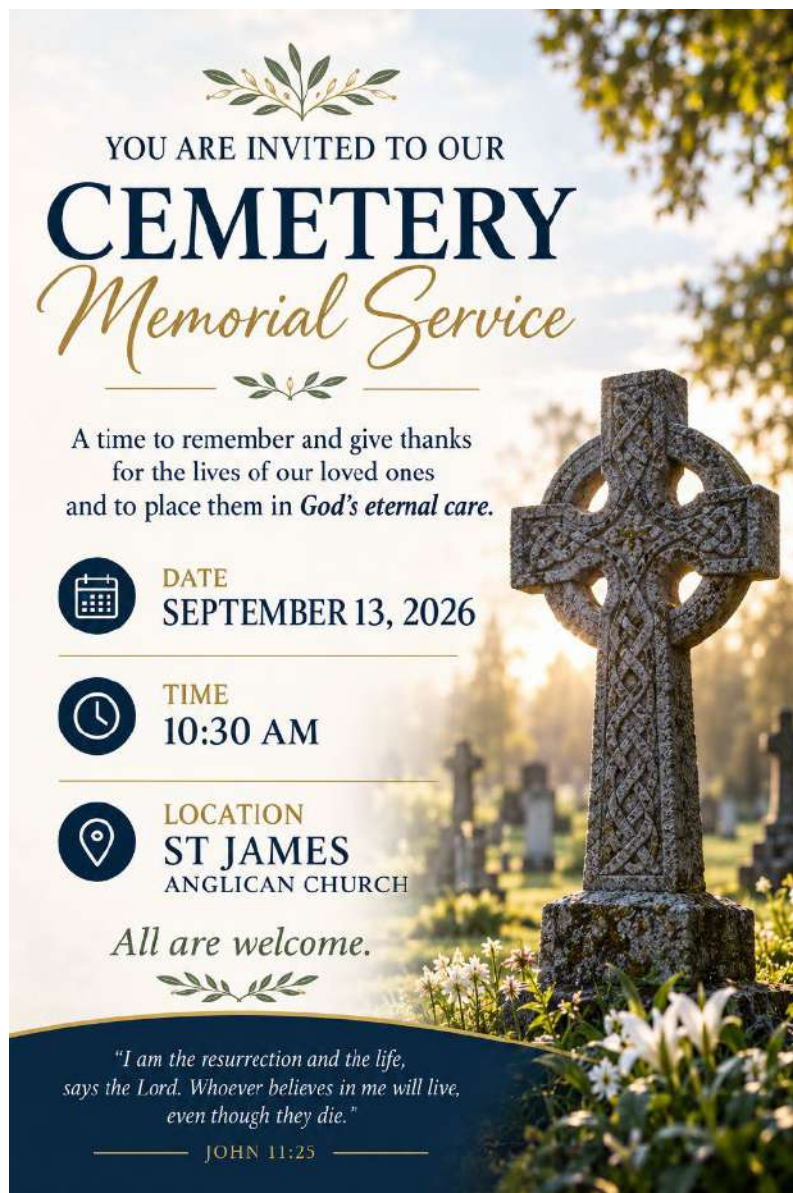
200TH ANNIVERSARY JIGSAW PUZZLES

Get your orders in for the St James 200th Anniversary puzzle.
At the back of the Church you will find a sign-up sheet, more details, and
two sample pictures to choose from -- or get both!

Each 500-piece puzzle is \$35.00 with \$5.00 going to the St. James 200th Anniversary fund.

Deadline October 1 for payment and orders.

A fabulous gift idea for Christmas, Birthdays or a thank you gift.

The invitation features a background image of a cemetery with a prominent Celtic cross in the foreground. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

CEMETERY

Memorial Service

A time to remember and give thanks
for the lives of our loved ones
and to place them in *God's eternal care.*

 **DATE**
SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

 **TIME**
10:30 AM

 **LOCATION**
ST JAMES
ANGLICAN CHURCH

All are welcome.

*"I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord. Whoever believes in me will live,
even though they die."*

— JOHN 11:25 —

DOES ANYONE HAVE A TENT CANOPY THAT WE CAN BORROW FOR THE BRAZILIAN BBQ? We would like to provide some cover just in case of rain. We need several of these tent canopies, so please let Fr. Rogério know if you can loan one to the church for this big event!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Cemetery Memorial Service, Sunday, September 13, 10:30am (see announcement above)

Brazilian BBQ, Saturday, September 19, noon-3pm (see announcement above)

Parish Advisory Council Meeting, *postponed until November*

Bible Study, Thursday, September 24, 7pm, *Matthew 21:23-32*

Open House at St. James, Saturday, September 26, 10am-12noon

Evensong Service, Sunday, September 27, 7pm

ACW Regional Meeting, Wednesday, September 30, at St. James, Kemptville



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