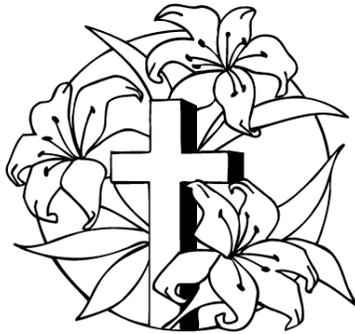


St. Edward the Confessor

March 11, 2018

4th Sunday of Lent



For God so loved
the world that he gave
his one and only Son.

John 3:16

Thank You

Thank you very much for your support and generosity. Your weekly offering continues to support the work at St Edward's



Next week's Helping Others Collection will go to Development and Peace and their Share Lent Campaign.

Give it up for the Earth

Please return your signed "Give it up for the Earth" postcards calling on the federal government to end all subsidies to the fossil fuel industry. All postcards collected at St Edward's will be packaged together and sent on to the CPJ organization who will combine ours with the rest that are collected from this national campaign and send them all on to Catherine McKenna, Minister of Energy.

Together for Peace

Every year Development and Peace runs its Share Lent campaign. This year's program is "**Together for Peace**" which aims to raise awareness among Canadians on the essential role of dialogue in peace building efforts. Together with its partners in the Global South, Development and Peace works to foster opportunities for dialogue that provide communities with a safe space where they can get to know one another, listen, express themselves, and find fair and lasting solutions to the challenges and conflicts that affect them.

Donations to this campaign will fund Development and Peace's work with the most vulnerable communities.

The Share Lent campaign culminates next Sunday, March 18th, Solidarity Sunday. Our Helping Others Collection next week will go to this campaign.

Rummage Sale

The monthly rummage sale that is held in the balcony of the church will take place on Wednesday, March 14 from 10:00 to noon.

Women's Day Retreat

The monthly Women's Day Retreat will be held on Wednesday, March 21 at Villa Saint-Martin, 9451 Gouin Blvd W, Pierrefond (just west of Highway 13). Registration: 9:15 am. Animator: Sr. Pat O'Neill, SNJM. Thought-provoking presentations, music, quiet time for personal reflection and prayer, Eucharistic celebration and sharing for those who wish to participate. All women welcome. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and tea provided. Suggested donation: \$15.00. Pre-registration is not required.

The Mikado

The Lakeshore Light Opera presents Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado" until March 17 at the Lakeside Academy Theatre in Lachine. Shows are March 10, 15, and 16 at 8:00 pm and March 11 and 17 at 2:00 pm. For tickets go to llo.org or call 514-804-4900.

Carlissa Klopoushak in Concert

Join in with our friends from St John's for a concert featuring violin and piano this Sunday afternoon, March 11 at 4:00 pm in the church. Carissa comes to us from the National Arts Center Orchestra in Ottawa. The concert will feature pieces from Beethoven, Debussy, and Carrabre and Skoryk. Tickets are \$15 and children 10 and under are free.

A reception in the south wing will follow the concert.

St Romero

Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero, a champion of the poor who became a human rights icon in Latin America when he was killed by a right-wing death squad in 1980, will be made a Roman Catholic saint.

A statement on Wednesday, March 7, said Pope Francis had given final approval to several sainthood causes, including Romero, and the late Pope Paul VI, who reigned from 1963 to 1978. Francis personally announced Pope Paul's canonization last month.

Romero's path to sainthood had stalled under two previous popes, reflecting concerns by some that he was overly political. It was revived by Francis who is also from Latin America and has made defense of the downtrodden a hallmark of his five-year pontificate.

Romero, who had often denounced repression and poverty in his homilies, was shot dead on March 24, 1980, as he celebrated Mass in a hospital chapel in the San Salvador, the capital of the impoverished Central American country of El Salvador.

Romero was beatified, or declared a "blessed" of the Church, in 2015 after a ruling that he was a martyr killed in hatred of the faith. That ceremony in San Salvador brought together former Marxist guerrillas and their former enemies.

Francis ruled that Romero could be declared a saint after a Vatican theological and medical commission approved a miracle attributed to him.