

St. Edward the Confessor

April 29, 2018

5th Sunday of Easter



Growing
Together IN Christ

Thank You

Thank you very much for your support and generosity. Last Sunday's collection amounted to \$1025



John Bryce

John Bryce, long time member of St John's, passed away on Wednesday, April 25 at the West Island Palliative Care Centre. John was a strong advocate for social justice and care for the environment. Our condolences and prayers go out to his wife Virginia and children Barbara, Stephen, Deirdre, Elizabeth and Christine and their families. The service for John is expected to take place later in May.

First Communion



The next meeting for First Communion will be on Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 pm for both children and parents at the church. We have six children preparing for First Holy Communion. They are:

Benjamin David
Bohumil Krejcar
Isabella Krejcar
Lara Jones
Matteo Mirabella
Molly Mathews

The celebration of First Communion is planned for the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 3.

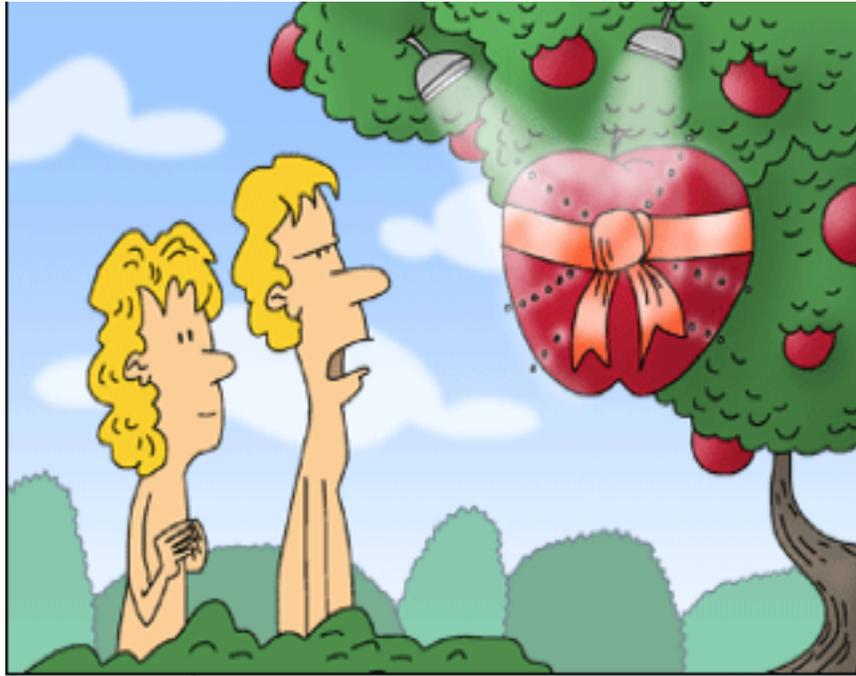
Spring Thing

St John's 46th annual Spring Thing, the largest church garage sale on the West Island will take place on Saturday, May 12 starting at 8:30 am. They are looking for donations of small appliances, kitchenware, sports equipment, furniture, plants, linens, jewelry, women and children's clothes, books, DVDs, games, comics, toys and almost anything else. Items can be dropped off at the church from Saturday, May 5 to Wednesday, May 9. If you have large items, they can be picked up on Saturday, May 5. Please call the church at 514-697-6459 by May 4 to get on the pickup schedule.

They also need help the whole week leading up to Spring Thing, morning, afternoon and evening, with sorting, pricing and testing. Any help is appreciated

Needing a Host Family

Do you have space in your home to accommodate a 14-year old girl who will be attending John Rennie High School in their Sport Etude Program? She is a promising young swimmer whose family lives on the south shore. Her daily schedule will include classes and training with the Pointe Claire Swim Team in our local pool. If you think you may want to consider this opportunity, please talk with Craig Buchanan after Mass or phone him at 514-886-8746 for more details.



(See Genesis 3)

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OH COME ON ... THAT'S JUST NOT FAIR

The Perspective of Justice

Fifth Sunday of Easter

The heart of Christian community is the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the vine; we are the branches. Living within the vine, we “will produce abundantly.” Separated from the vine, we are, “a withered, rejected branch which can do nothing.”

The commandment that binds together this community is twofold: to believe in Jesus and to “love one another as he commanded us.” When following this commandment of faith and love, “we are at peace before him.” Such a community of faith, love and peace is possible, and Luke assures us that “throughout all Judea, Galilee and Samaria the church was at peace.”

Our world is not at peace; there is war and division everywhere. For our Church to speak peace to this world, it will have to be a peaceful community. There must be that faith in, and reliance on Jesus, and there must also be that love for one another. The world must be able to look at us and say that we are at peace. Only then will our message of peace get through to others.

That the Church may really be the sign of that solidarity which the family of nations desires, it should show in its own life greater cooperation between the Churches of rich

and poor regions through spiritual communion and division of human and material resources.

Synod of Bishops, [Justice in the World](#), 1971: 59.

Gerald Darring

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