

St. Edward the Confessor

November 18, 2018

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mark 13:26

And then shall they see

the Son of man

coming in the clouds

with great power and glory

Thank You

Thank you very much for your support and generosity.



Last Sunday's collection amounted to \$1015.00

Today's Helping Others collection will go toward Christmas baskets for families on the West Island.



The church will celebrate the beginning of a new year in just two weeks, on the first Sunday of Advent. The new Living with Christ books for 2018-2019 are available on the credenza. Please take one, but we ask that you take only one per family.

Thank
You

Thank you to everyone who had a part in the success of this year's Tea and Bake Sale. Thank you to the leaders in our main areas – Louise Matulis with the Baking, Susan Jeannotte in the Kitchen, Roy Douglass in the Tea Room and Ed Bedard on raffles – along with the legion of people working with them and the countless bakers and sandwich makers who supplied the teams. Without everyone's help it could not have happened.

All of St Edward's proceeds from the Tea and Bake Sale will go toward Christmas baskets for needy families on the West Island.

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Christmas is not far off

Advent starts on the first Sunday in December. On Advent II, December 9, we will have an ecumenical Lessons and Carols service with St John's at 3:00 pm in the church.

Consider Helping the Homeless of Montreal

Through "Angels of Mercy", an organization which delivers soup, sandwiches, warm clothing, and toiletries to our less fortunate brothers & sisters of Montreal. If you have two (2) hours a month to help out, why not join us? We never have enough volunteers,

and would love to have you on our team. A special call is being made to those interested in helping to collect and sort clothing. As well, we need **sandwich makers, soup makers, drivers and distributors**. Please contact AOM (Sarah Sajedi) at 514-827-6408 or aom.montreal@gmail.com or visit our website at: www.helpfeedthehomeless.org

Widow and Widower Support Group

The Widow Support Group meets at St Edmund's church the first Monday of each month at 9:30 am in the Father McEntee Room. For more information contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183.

Also beginning is a new bereavement group for men. If you have lost a spouse, a parent, a child or a friend and you want to discuss the loss, consider joining this group. Meetings will take place once a month for a couple of hours where you can talk about this change in your life. Through sharing with other men, we'll try and find ways to help deal with your loss. If you are interested contact Cathie Macaulay, Pastoral Home Care at 514-925-4300, ext 354.

REFLECTION

Teaching Us Charity

We are indeed in a "time unsurpassed in distress." A fifth of the world's population lives in absolute poverty. About three billion people lack adequate nutrition.

Every three days, more people die from malnutrition and disease than from the bombing of Hiroshima. Every year more people die from preventable hunger than died in the Holocaust.

One out of every four human beings has no access to safe drinking water.

There are somewhere between one billion and two billion unemployed adults in the world. The poorer countries have 60 percent of the world's students and 12 percent of the world's total education budget. More than half of the world's adult population cannot read or write.

More than half of the countries of the world have used violence against their own citizens in the form of torture, brutality, and summary executions. About 4 million people died in wars in the 18th century; about 8 million people died in wars in the 19th century; about 100 million people ... died in wars ... in the 20th century.

One day we "will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory," ([Mark 13:26](#)) to bring vindication, to right all the wrongs done by human beings to each other.

"The present situation of the world, from the point of view of development, offers a rather negative impression ... In today's world, including the world of economics, the prevailing picture is one destined to lead us more quickly towards death rather than one of concern for true development which would lead all towards a 'more human' life."
Pope John Paul II, [Sollicitudo Rei Socialis](#), 1987:13, 24

Gerald Darring, To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based Meditation