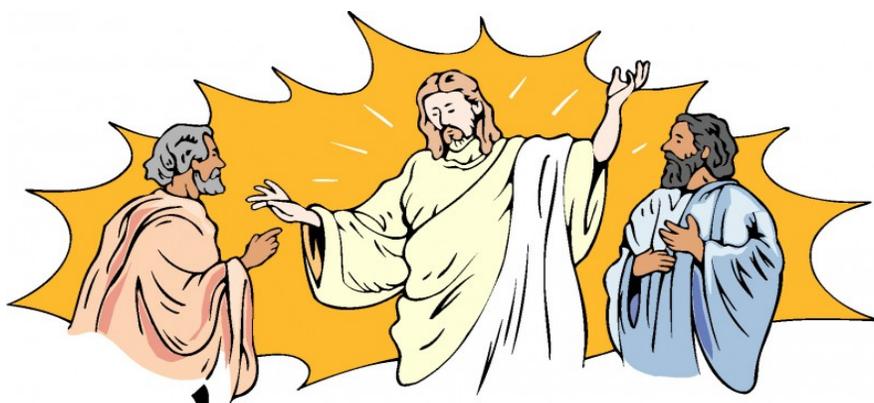


# St. Edward the Confessor

March 17, 2019

2nd Sunday of Lent



## Transfiguration *of the* Lord

### Thank You

. . . very much for your support and generosity.



Last Sunday's collection amounted to \$932.00

### Pope Francis - A Man of His Word

We will be showing the video "Pope Francis – A Man of his Word" in the south wing on Tuesday, March 19 at 1:30. This video puts the pope's ideas and message at the center including his work of reform and his answers to today's global questions. The pope answers questions on immigration, consumerism, social justice, ecological concerns, sexual abuses committed by priests, gays in the church and more.

The video will be shown in two parts over two Tuesdays starting this Tuesday at 1:30 in the south wing.

## Lenten Bible Study

Join our friends at St John's for a Lenten bible study series on Wednesdays at noon through until April 10. The themes studied are inspired by resources from Kairos: Climate Change, Indigenous Peoples, Truth and Reconciliation, and Women in Peace. Please bring your own lunch.

## Women's Day Retreat

The Villa St Martin (9451 Gouin Blvd. W. Pierrefonds – just west of Highway 13) will host a women's day retreat with Sr. Pat O'Neill this Wednesday, March 20, starting at 9:30 am. Thought-provoking presentations, music, quiet time and Eucharistic sharing. All Women welcome. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and tea provided. Suggested donation: \$15.00. For more info: 514-696-8188.

## Sharing the Journey

The theme of this year's Share Lent Campaign from Development and Peace, Caritas Canada is "Share the Journey" and is spotlighting the 68.5 million children, women and men around the world who are forced to leave their homes and countries to become migrants and refugees. We are invited to share their journey. There is a table at the back of the sanctuary with symbols representing the journey of forced migrants – a pair of old shoes, a backpack, a life jacket and a simple meal. You are invited to take a few minutes and reflect on these symbols and the situation of forced migrants. Take a copy of the mini-magazine "Share the Journey" and read about how Development and Peace is helping people in Nigeria, the Rohingya fleeing Myanmar, and people in Columbia recovering from a half century of armed conflict.

## Genesis to Jesus

Genesis to Jesus presents the whole sweep of salvation history and, by the end of Lent, you'll understand the importance of Easter as the eighth day of creation in light of God's unified plan for our salvation. Presentations are by Mathew Leonard, based on Scott Hahn's book, "A Father Who Keeps His Promises."

Where: Beverly Room, St John Fisher Church.

When: Friday evenings from March 8 to April 12 at 7:15.



## SHARE THE JOURNEY

As mentioned last week, this Lent we are focusing on the theme *Share the Journey* prepared by Development and Peace, Caritas Canada. *Share the Journey* invites us to embark on a journey of faith, love, and hope in solidarity with the 68.5 million displaced children, women, and men throughout the world.

In light of the horrific shootings in New Zealand, many who were injured and killed may have been migrants or refugees according to N.Z.'s Prime Minister. We must all refute this racist ideology and hatred behind these attacks. We need to let our voices be heard.

Through the support we offer to those who come to us, we need to recognize Jesus in each of them. The meeting with the other is a great journey that starts inside of us and enables us to connect with our profound humanity, to undo stereotypes, and to combat prejudice, fear of the other, racism and xenophobia.

Let us also pray for the many men, women and children who have had to flee their homes.

### A Prayer for Forced Migrants around the World

Have mercy on me, God most high.  
In my fear and loneliness, be my refuge.  
Far from my homeland, I feel lost.  
My heart is stirred by thoughts of the family I left behind.  
O God, hear their cries and come to their help!  
Calm the storms of anxiety and doubt raging within me.  
Go before me and guide my steps among a people I do not know.  
May their kindness and compassion assure me  
that You are there to welcome me.

(This prayer was developed by Cardinal Luis Tagle, President of Caritas Internationalis, following his experiences meeting forced migrants supported by the Caritas family.)