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Pope calls Slovenia "Picture of heaven"

Making his first visit to Slovenia an island of Balkan prosperity with deep Christian roots, Pope John Paul II warned that a new emptiness was settling over Eastern Europe in the wake of communism's demise.

While praising Slovenia's social rebuilding efforts as an independent nation, the pope said there were worrisome signs that Christian beliefs and basic moral values were being written off.

Europe is facing an "Hour of truth," he said in a speech May 19 in Maribor, near the Austrian border. The choice, he said, is between recognizing human freedom as God-given, or drifting toward the "hedonism and vanity" of a religiously indifference society.

If he carried a serious message to the tiny Alpine country, the Polish-born pontiff also brought a festive mood. Young people helped him celebrate his 76th birthday May 18, stirring childhood memories.

He also met with civil authorities to help smooth out thorny church-state problems, offered special greetings and a \$50,000 check for Bosnian refugees in Slovenia, and celebrated Masses and prayer services for the country's Catholic majority.

He found time to pray at one of the many roadside Marian shrines decorated with May poles and the Vatican colors, yellow and white.

Traveling to all three Slovenian dioceses, he was warmly welcomed by curious adults, cheering youths and deferential civil authorities. The spring sunshine and wooded mountains led the pope to describe the place as a "picture of heaven."

From the moment he arrived in Ljubljana, the capital, he heaped praise and encouragement on Slovenia for implementing democracy and independence without the bloodshed of its Balkan neighbors.

President Milan Kucan, an ex-communist, thanked the pope in turn. He said one main reason Slovenia's war with the Yugoslav federal army lasted only 10 days was because the Vatican was so quick to recognize its independence in 1991, setting an example for others.

In his address to more than 200 Slovenian academic and cultural leaders in Maribor, however, the pope examined the less-optimistic side of Eastern Europe's democratic evolution: the ebb of traditional Christian values. It has become a focal issue of his pontificate in recent years.

He said he was especially concerned about "dangerous currents" of moral skepticism that seemed to overshadow the rediscovery of Christian opportunities.

"The walls have collapsed and the iron curtains have fallen, but questions about the meaning of life and the value of freedom are stronger than ever," he said.

To 50,000 cheering young people gathered in a field outside of Postojna May 18, the pope counseled against taking refuge from problems in sex, drugs or violence.

The pope's birthday prompted an early morning serenade by 100 schoolchildren in the courtyard of his residence in Ljubljana. The pope mingled with the young people, briefly recalling a time when he, too, was only 7 or 8 years old.

"In this moment, I have to thank my own mother, who gave me life," he said quietly. His mother died when he was 9.

Later, in his meeting with youths, he recalled living in fear during the Nazi occupation of Poland — "fear of bombardments, deportations, reprisals."

"Unfortunately, I know what it's like to be afraid," he said.

Thanks to Robin Verhose of the New York Stock Exchange for submitting this article.



John Blatnik celebrates 90th

John Blatnik of Garfield Heights, Ohio celebrated his 90th birthday, (June 6th) at a family gathering in Slovenia at the end of May during the pope's visit there. Three birthday parties were held in his honor in Slovenia. Pictured here is John with part of his family at an outing in Krka, left to right, his nephew, John, son Gregory Brunswick, and son John Blatnik, Jr. of Chicago. In Cleveland John travels by bus every day to be at the Hopkins International Airport where he visits with Slovenian travelers on their way to various holiday destinations. He then heads to the airport chapel where he ushers at the 10 a.m. Mass. At noon, he rides the rapid transit to St. John's Cathedral in downtown Cleveland for another Mass.



Joe Nosan lands marlin in Mexico

Joe Nosan, (who, with his beautiful wife, Olga, are owners of Nosan's Slovenian Home Bakery in Cleveland and Euclid), were on vacation in January and had good luck deep sea fishing in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. A party of four with the crew set out with high hopes. A few hours out, it was Joe's turn. He was lucky to land a 145-pound striped marlin that look him 1-1/2 hours of fighting to get it on board.

Usually, you get to take the catch home after deep sea fishing, or have it mounted. Since Joe had another four days of vacation left, he decided to give the crew on the boat his catch. With poverty so bad in Mexico, the locals wait on the dock with plastic bags to take whatever remains are left to feed their families at home. So it was with great delight they had a 145-lb. marlin to be divided among them. Joe was happy with "The experience of a lifetime!"

"Triglav" from Slovenia to help Slovenska Pristava celebrate 35th

This year will mark the 35th anniversary of Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio, and the fifth year of Slovenija's independence. To help celebrate this event, we have invited the folklore group "Triglav" from Slovenia.

They will perform on Friday, June 28th at 7:30 p.m. at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. Following the tunes of their own musicians, the dancers will take us back and show us the beauty of our folk customs.

The Triglav folklore dancers come from the Gorenjska region. There are 24 performers including dancers and musicians. During their stay here, they will also hold performances in Canada and Indianapolis.

As you know, it takes time and finances to organize such a venture and the only fund-raiser will be at the Slovenian National Home. We are asking Slovenian organizations to purchase tickets in advance. For tickets call Joze Zalik at 486-4370 or Milan Ribic at 943-0621.

Our Slovenski Dan at Slovenska Pristava will be on Sunday, June 30. Folklore group Triglav will have a shorter performance, followed by Korotan and Fantje na Vasi. We would like to see you at both occasions, and thank you for your support.

--Milan Ribic,
President, Slovenska Pristava

2 Jim'

By Jar

Now weather through, it means one thing for sure: the cops and their radar guns are on the prowl.

I've been zapped by X-ray guns so many times going through Bratenahl, Euclid, and E. 72nd Street, that my car is beginning to glow in the dark. I can watch the blood pumping through my veins right through my shirt. One cop in Bratenahl was trying so hard to clock me on the other side of a truck, he was leaning so far forward his neck looked like a giraffe. I used to see snow on the roads, now all I see is blinking radar lights bouncing off my eyeballs. I'm beginning to see through brick walls.

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What do you think of the weather so far this year? One week it's so hot the ground is actually parched with dried-out gullies throughout the area. The next week it rains so much, everything is flooded. What is going on here?

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We attended the Christine Paula Kosem and Frank Vidmar wedding on Saturday, May 25 at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair. It was a great wedding with plenty of terrific food and two bands.

After the Stan Mejac polka band, featuring the fabulous Duke Marsic and Eddie Mejac, finished at 10:30 p.m., a genuine old-time rock-n-roll group came on stage and knocked the place dead. They had two saxes, guitar, and drums and were dressed in Elvis-style attire with the skinny ties. These kids weren't even born when the hey-day of rock was bequeathed, yet they played the authentic sounds of true original rock n' roll. Everyone in the place got up to dance. Remember doing the "stroll?"

But the piece-de-resistance was the wedding cake made by Ann Tomsick. The bride and groom met on a ski trip to Utah, having read the ski promotion in the

100 Words More or Less

by John Mercina

Just Those Few Weeks

(A Poem on Miscarriage)

For those few weeks, I had you to myself. And that seems too short a time to be changed so profoundly.

For those few weeks - I came to know you... and to love you. You came to trust me with you life. Oh, what a life I had planned for you!

Just those few weeks - When I lost you, I lost a lifetime of hopes, plans, dreams and aspirations... A slice of my future simply vanished overnight.

Just those few weeks - It wasn't enough time to convince others how special and important you were. How odd, a truly unique person has recently died and no one is mourning the passing.

Just a mere few weeks - And no "normal" person would cry all night over a tiny, unfinished baby, or get depressed and withdraw day after endless day. No one would, so why am I?

You were just those few weeks my little one. You darted in and out of my life too quickly. But it seems that's all the time you needed to make my life so much richer and give me a small glimpse of eternity.

Sent in by anonymous. Written by Susan Erling. (It made me cry!)

(gloat, brag, American Home newspaper).

So what kind of a cake did Ann make? It was the most spectacular wedding cake ever made. It featured three mountains with miniature skiers and evergreen trees, and all kinds of winter scenes. It was so clever, it was with regret they eventually cut it as tradition (and the sweet-toothed guests) demanded. On top of the middle cake was a miniature replica of the shelter on top of Mt. Triglav, so you knew the three mountains were actually models of the famous Slovenian mountains.

It was an exciting evening with great people, and perfect hosts.

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Last Friday, about 80 St. Vitus Catholic War Vets and family guests gathered at Alexander's Restaurant in Euclid, Ohio for a surprise going-away party for Father Richard Evans, Associate Pastor of St. Vitus and to thank him for his wonderful term as Post Chaplain. Many tears flowed as they recalled the extraordinary times spend in the father's company, at baseball games,

football TV viewing in the Vet's clubroom, and his untiring physical work as well as spiritual guidance. Oh yet, his culinary expertise was really appreciated, too!

On June 18, Fr. Evans goes to St. Charles parish in Parma. Their gain, our loss.

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Dogs look up to you; cats look down on you. Give me a pig. He just looks you in the eye and treats you as an equal. --Winston Churchill

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Don't mistake personality for character.

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Remember that as a teenager you are in the last stage of your life when you will be happy to hear the phone is for you. --Fran Libowitz

Celebrates 86th Birthday

Congratulations to Caroline Mihelich of E. 179 St., Cleveland, who will celebrate her 86th birthday on Friday, June 7.

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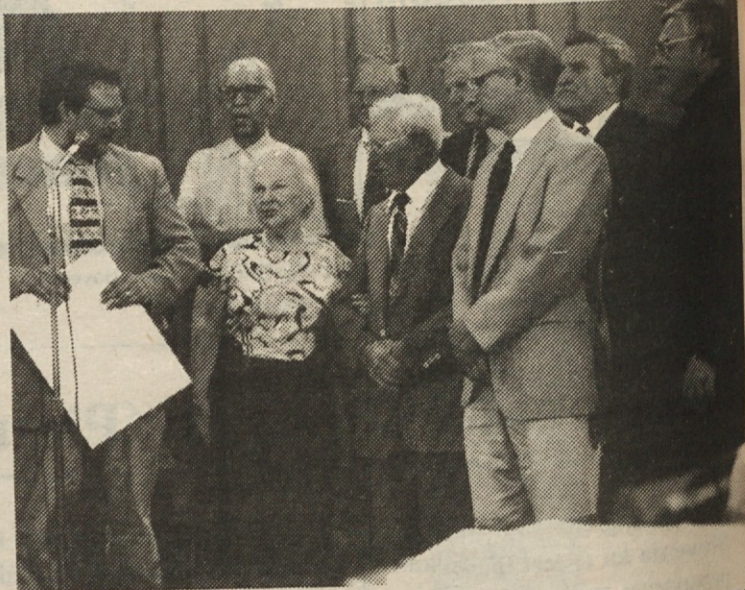
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Lena Siewiorek Honored



Lena is pictured along with her husband Frank and son, Dr. Dan, along with friends Councilman Gary M. Paulenske, Oliver McDaniel, former Councilman Bob Novak, former judge Edward Katalinas, and Father Richard Evans, right.

On Monday evening, May 20, 1996 Lena Siewiorek of the St. Vitus-St. Clair neighborhood of Cleveland was honored at the regular meeting of Cleveland City Council in the Council Chambers in Cleveland City Hall.

Those wishing her well were Cleveland Mayor Michael White, and Cleveland Police Chief Rocky Polutro, Council Finance Chief Jim Rokakis, and many other dignitaries and friends.

She received a Certificate of Award from Mayor Jimmy Dimora; a City of Cleveland Resolution of Recognition sponsored by Cleveland Councilman Gary M. Paulenske and co-sponsored by Councilmen Britt, Coats, Jackson, Johnson, Lewis, McGuirk, Melena, Miller, O'Malley, Patton, Patton, Polensek,

Robinson, Rokakis, Rybka, Smith, Westbrook, White, Willis, and Zone.

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented from Cuyahoga County Auditor Tim McCormack which applauds Lena as wife, mother, grandmother, and as the consummate civic volunteer... For a lifetime of dedication to the truest values of this life: - family, faith, community, and democratic self-governing, and 57 years of contributions to the St. Clair/Superior and St. Vitus communities. For her grassroots work as Ward 13 precinct committee-person and as a leader and treasurer of the former Ward 23 Democratic Club. Also mentioned were Lena's husband, Frank, sons, John and Dr. Dan, and grandchildren, Nora and Gayle.

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In beautiful dream you awoke
In distant land you felt the paradise
Thinking of happiness – blinded –
You left your native place.

Maybe the merciless fate
put you forth in foreign country?
Or you fled from your home
just to save your life?

Although you were whipped with the suffering,
and you were scattered around the world,
your hearts were filled with yearning:
that some day you'll return.

You never forgot
the place where you were born,
you never lost the love,
and you were always thinking to meet again.

So you were working, suffering,
united with the love
it helped you to become successful,
and to remain faithful to God!

You arrived now to the new homeland
which accepted you with love.
Let it remain your gentle mother,
let it fill your hearts with happiness!

There is no more beautiful place in the world,
than are the Slovenian mountains,
it is the true image of paradise,
these, our fields and people!

You were impressed with all that beauty
proclaim around the world:
"This is my country,
which I always want to praise!"

Happy departure – God be with you!
And your homeland – take with you
To bless your new home,
in which let it be numerous splendid days!

Slovenian Land – Holy Land,
with innocent blood you are soaked;
let it give birth again to the eager hearts,
dedicated to Eternal Love!

June 25, 1995 – Erna Mesko
(at the visit of immigrants)

Pope Celebrates 76th birthday in Slovenia

The gait has slowed, the shoulders have bowed, the hand trembles.

But the face still beams in the presence of young people, such as those who helped Pope John Paul II celebrate his 76th birthday May 18.

In one way, it was a typical pontifical day. Pope John Paul was on the road again on the second day of his three-day trip to *Slovenia*, the 71st foreign tour of his papacy.

As usual, he offered an outdoor Mass, met with local officials and lunched with the country's bishops, who presented him with a birthday cake with the papal seal iced on top, said papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls.

But the day began with something special: he awoke to birthday serenades and greetings from about 100 children in the vine-draped courtyard of the archbishop's residence, where he spent his first night.

How old are you?, he asked.

"Hmmm, Seven, eight, 12," he said, echoing the answers. "I was once 8 years old, too. But now I've reached my 76th year, and that begins more or less at about 5 (p.m.)," he said, roughly the hour of his birth.

Some youngsters shouted, "We love you, Holy Father."

"And I love you, children of Slovenia," he answered.

The scene was repeated on a huge scale in the afternoon in Postojna, a town 35 miles southwest of Ljubljana. More than 50,000 cheering, stomping, clapping, whooping youngsters gathered at an airstrip for prayers, music and birthday greetings. They sang a verse of "Happy Birthday" in English.

"I didn't know you were American!" the Pope joked.

In his prepared remarks, he struck a somber note.

"If I think of my life, I can say that an unforgettable experience of danger and fear certainly was that of war," said the Pope, who was active in the resistance in his native Poland during World War II.

"My generation has been signed by fear of bombardments, deportations, reprisals," he said, words that resonate in a country that barely missed the wars that engulfed other former republics of the old Yugoslav federation.

Slovenia's secession from Yugoslavia in 1991 was a first step in the breakup of Yugoslavia.

During the day, the Pope received a delegation of Bosnian refugees, and donated \$50,000 in aid.

Eighteen years into his pontificate, bowel surgery, a

hip replacement and broken arm have slowed the Pope.

"It's obvious his body doesn't respond the way it did when (the Pope) was elected," Dr. Navarro-Valls said. But his mind is in good shape, he said, adding that Pope John Paul "is not thinking of an end to this pontificate."

The Pope has foreign trips planned through October, 1997, including visits to France, Germany, Hungary, Poland and Brazil.

The Pope also met briefly with Premier Janez Drnovsek, apparently to discuss a dispute with Italy over property seized by the Yugoslav Communists just after the war.

In the morning, he celebrated mass with 75,000 people, at a racetrack, recalling in his homily the "violent Communist revolution" that he said brought death and suffering to the church in this former Yugoslav republic.

The bishops, priests and others who died or were tortured during World War II cry out through God for "reconciliation, peace and harmony" for all parts of the nation," the Pope said.

Thanks to Marie Burgar for submitting this interesting article from the Long Island Catholic.

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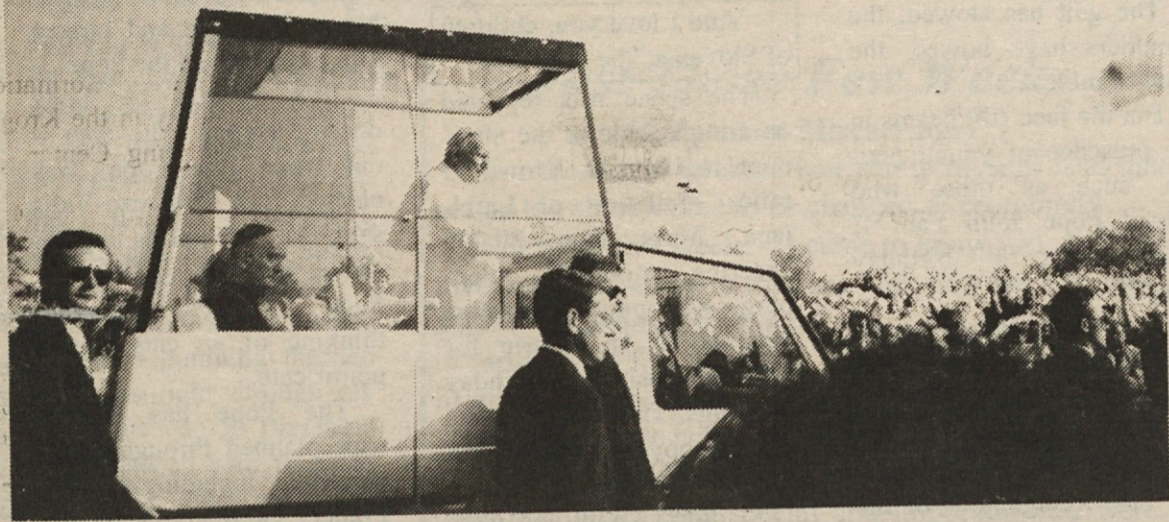
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Pope John Paul II in his Mercedes "Pope-mobile" prior to the Mass in Ljubljana, Slovenia on May 18, his 76th birthday. Seated in the vehicle is Archbishop Sustar.

The Pope, Avsenik, and Slak

by TONY PETKOVSEK

It was a like a dream come true for the Slovenian people to have their beautiful country graced by a visit of His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, who spoke the Slovenian language fluently throughout his historic 3-day visit, May 17-19. Especially appreciated were his moving words, "God's Blessings on Slovenia."

From various reports I heard, it seemed that totally, upwards of a quarter of a million people saw the pope in three major regions: Ljubljana and Gorenjska; Postojna and Notranjska; and Maribor in the Štajerska area. A special unscheduled side-trip was made to the national Marian shrine at Brezje, too.

Strict security and a well organized plan for the pope's visit unfolded as we observed through co-hosting a Kollander Travel group with Canada's Walter Ostanek. While the live, in-person appearances were very emotional, the excellent coverage on Slovenian TV was also very rewarding.

It was a truly special happening for this nation of two million to have this initial visit of a pontiff during a

year which also marks the fifth anniversary of Slovenia's independence.

At the Ljubljana Mass which took place in Stozice at the horse racetrack, Hipodrom, our Kollander tour group was cheered on by the native Slovenians when we entered the grounds with our American and Canadian flags. It gave us all a very nice feeling on what was probably the most meaningful tour I've had to Slovenia in the 29 years I've traveled there.

The Slovenians who have been exposed to Christianity for 1,250 years, utilized the slogan - *Oče, Potrdi nas v veri* - "Father, Strengthen us in our Faith," as they waved huge yellow and white banners cheering on the pope or their "Papež."

Slak is Slack on Tour Commitment

We spoke at length to button accordion maestro, **Lojze Slak**, at a *Veselica* (party), in Dramlje. He was very non-committal on a concert tour to the States at this time!

Slak is riding on a crest of popularity for his folk ensemble as the most popu-

lar active musical group with the native Slovenians.

Avsenik is Positive of November appearance

Slavko Avsenik, Slovenia's premier musician, made a special trip to the Golf Hotel in Lake Bled along with son Gregor on May 19 to say he is looking forward to attending our 35th radio anniversary celebration this November in downtown Cleveland.

He said his commitment is 98% because of an illness that has plagued him for over a year. He is looking and feeling very good at this time. The purpose of his visit will be a special salute from our Radio Club and also the Polka Hall of Fame extravaganza.

Meanwhile **Alfi Nipič**, who was lead male vocalist with Avsenik for many years, will definitely be coming in November to sing many of his famous renditions including "Slovenia."

A special local alpine ensemble, which will be put together by **Duke Marsic**, will back him up. In Slovenia, Nipič sang before the Pope in Maribor with a crowd of 110,000 people.

Everyone invited to St. Mary's Slovenian School Picnic

Everyone is invited to spend **Sunday, June 9** at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio.

St. Mary's Slovenian School picnic will begin with Mass at 12 noon, followed by the Corpus Christi procession. Those with Slovenian costumes are urged to wear them.

Dinner will follow: choice of Breaded Boneless Chicken Breast or Roast Pork Loin. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. A "Cat in the Bag" raffle and children's games are planned.

Music will be provided by a band consisting of several Alpine Sextet members along with some new additions.

Remember that I-90East is closed before the Madison exit, so the detour will take more time.

Everyone is invited to come spend the day with us!

--Sylvia



Noted musician Slavko Avsenik, right, meets with Tony Petkovsek in Lake Bled, Slovenia, to confirm plans on coming to Cleveland on Thanksgiving week.



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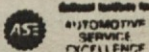
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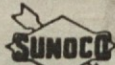
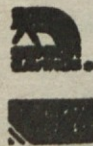
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The Slovenian Community of Cleveland will have the opportunity to welcome the Olympic Torch Relay as it journeys across the United States to Atlanta for the 1996 Olympic Games. We are particularly honored to have as a torch bearer through part of the City of Cleveland, a representative from Slovenia.

After a careful selection process, the Olympic Committee from Slovenia selected one of its own, **Mirko Lebar**. Coca Cola agreed to cover his expenses to Cleveland. Accompanying Mr. Lebar is Urska Lorger and Martin Senica, a Slovenian reporter. The delegation is coming Saturday evening and will stay at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

The City of Cleveland will host the passage of the torch through the city at 4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, June 9 at the George V. Voi-

novich Park at North Coast Harbor.

The torch will arrive from Detroit by ore boat docking at the Port Authority at approximately 7:40 p.m. and will run through Voinovich Park ten minutes later.

On Monday at 7:25 a.m. Mirko Lebar will carry the torch from the Bratenahl sign on Lake Shore Boulevard to Cleveland Lakefront State Park which is approximately .5 kilometers.

We urge all Slovenians to come and watch as our representative passes with the Olympic Torch.

Our guests will be honored on Sunday, June 9th at About 3 p.m., at the SNPJ Farm in Kirtland, Ohio.

--Karl B. Bonutti
Honorary Consulate of
Cleveland
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Scenic Drive to Marietta, Ohio

Back in 1788, beneath the bluffs that rise from the confluence of the Muskingum and Ohio rivers, a party of former Revolutionary War officers planned the first permanent settlement of the original Northwest Territory.

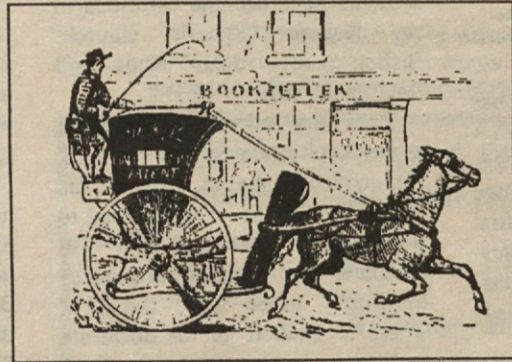
That long-ago outpost is now Marietta, Ohio, an enchantingly preserved old-timey river town, 170 miles south of Cleveland. Nor has the countryside around it fallen prey to our modern, hectic ways.

A drive of about 100 miles out of Marietta loops you through this bucolic domain. Allow a whole day, for the road is kinkier than a frizzy hairdo as it curls around hills and squeezes into fleecy dales. Besides, you'll want to stop lots of places, to soak up the scenery as well as sightsee.

State Rt. 26 follows the lazy waters of the Lake Muskingum upstream. Along the way, lanes branch off to covered bridges that date back to the 1870s. Their timbers are still in good shape, thanks to their roofs keeping out rain and snow.

Here and there in the secluded valley, you'll see the "nodding horses" of small oil wells, some still pumping away. Oil was discovered in these parts 180 years ago when its only use was for lamps. Mail Pouch Tobacco paintings still adorn several barns built in the 1890s. At country stores you can buy odds and ends and eat lunch.

A free Scenic Byway brochure, available from the U.S. Forest Service and the Marietta Area Tourist and Convention Bureau, covers Rts. 26 for about 35 miles, ending at the remains of the Lamping homestead, with its fascinating family cemetery attesting to the precariousness of pioneer life. To bring the route's history alive, you also can rent or buy audio-tapes featuring stories and Appalachian music from the Bureau in downtown Marietta



and the Marietta Tourist Information Trolley in the Kroger Shopping Center off Pike Street. The Forest Service office sells the tapes as well.

After visiting the Lamping homestead,

backtrack on Rte. 26 for 12 miles to Bloomfield and turn east on Rte. 260. At the village of Hobman, detour south on township 34 for about a mile and a half. Park at the cemetery and hike east on a gentle forest trail marked by blue diamonds. A 20-minute walk along a ridge brings you to a ravine where a cave of tumbled boulders provides great hide-and-seek terrain.

Continue on Rte. 260 to the Ohio River, and turn right on Rte 7, which runs back to Marietta alongside this wide, majestic river.

At Leith Run, a recreation area, river pools attract a variety of birds. Near Willow Island Locks and Dam, climb the observation deck to watch barges going through.

Take time to stroll Marietta's delightful river promenade, drive past beautifully preserved Victorian and Federal Homes, and cross the Muskingum on a walking bridge that leads to the oldest part of town. Attractions there include a doll museum and a shop filled with Coca-Cola collectibles.

To experience the river, take a cruise on the Valley Gem II stern-wheeler or enjoy a dinner show on the Showboat Becky Thatcher.

For a special treat, overnight on the small stern-wheeler Claire E., moored in the Muskingum and converted into comfortable living quarters as a bed-and-breakfast (\$70; no small children; 614/374-2233). Other accommodations range from about \$50 to \$100.

Polka Mass

A Mass of Christian Joy – a Polka Mass – will be held on Saturday, June 15 at 4 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio.

The Mass will be in remembrance of those who belonged to the "O-Ja" Social Club and all the polka musicians who have passed away this year.

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On May 16 Fredon Corporation received the distinguished Business of the Year Award from the Mentor (Ohio) Area Chamber of Commerce.

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Fredon was recognized for its efforts at the Pine-ridge Country Club where Roger J. Sustar, Fredon's owner and president, accepted the award. Other national and local civic leaders also were present to add accolades upon Fredon Corp. and their fine efforts to encourage apprenticeship program in the machining trades.

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Composer Damijan Močnik has prepared *Tisoč let je že minilo* (A Thousand Years Have Passed Already) for the occasion of Pope John Paul II's visit for the first time to Slovenia. Močnik is professor of music in the Diocesan Classic Gymnasium in Šentvid near Ljubljana

And Jože Trošt, composer and conductor, has prepared a Mass in honor to A. M. Slomšek. Father Trošt is professor of Music on the Theological Faculty of the University of Ljubljana. He is also director of the mixed chorus, Anton Förstér.

Ambroz Čopij has composed *Totus tuus* for a male chorus. Čopij is probably the youngest composer in Slovenia. The two words are in the coat-of-arms chosen by the Pope. The work was requested by the Chamber Male Choir of Céljé.

Some people living on Zrinska ulica are opposed to the street being changed to Pope John Paul II Street. One suggestion by Alojz Lavrenčič of Ljubljana would have the name changed to Vatikan ulica.

Rev. Radko Rudéž is celebrating 50 years as a priest. He was ordained in Gorica on June 28, 1946. For the past 19 years he has been working in the missions of Zambia. Our congratulations Pater Rudež!

A Lazarist missionary, Rev. Franc Jéréb, died Feb. 14, 1996. He was ordained in 1932 at the age of 26. He was assigned to China where he toiled for 20 years until he was expelled by the government in 1952. He died in Mirénski grad where he was buried. Rest in peace!

Missionary Andréj Majcén is 92 years old. He too was forced out of

China in 1952. He settled in Hanoi, North Vietnam. Two of his students have become cardinals in the Roman Catholic Church: Bishop Marija Jozéf Khue and Rev. Paul Tung.

Dr. Frank Bukvič was professor at the Jesuit university in Fairfield, Connecticut. Like so many of his fellow Slovenians he was forced to flee from the "liberators" after WW II. Under very trying circumstances he finally made it to the U.S. where he studied for his doctorate in German in New York. He wrote a novel, *Vojna in revolucija* (War and Revolution), as well as stories in emigration, *Avtobus norcév* (A Bus of Crazies). R.I.P.

Another ejaculation has been added to the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary: **Queen of Families, Pray for us!** It is inserted between **Queen of the Holy Rosary** and **Queen of Peace**. So reports the Australian Magazine, *misli* (Thoughts), published by the Slovenian Franciscan Fathers for our Australian brothers and sisters.

The Holy See has promised to fully support Slovenia's entry into the European Union. Both Pope John Paul II and the State Secretary, Cardinal Angélo Sodano, have given such assurances.

Rev. Franc Cézar celebrated 50 years in the Society of Jesus with a holy sacrifice of the Mass in St. Magdaline Church in Maribor. One of the celebrants was Dr. Franc Krambérgér, Bishop of Maribor.

Parishioners in Vrhnika, birthplace of Slovenia's greatest writer, Ivan Cankar, observed the 700th anniversary of their parish. Auxiliary Bishop Uran of Ljubljana said the Mass. Dean Florijan Božnar, the pastor, proclaimed the jubilee. Mayor of Vrhnika, Vinko Tomažič, lit the jubilee candle in the name of all of the parishioners

and citizens of Vrhnika. Our congratulations!

An exhibit of medieval art called *Gothic Art in Slovenia* attracted more than 24,000 visitors. It was held in the National Gallery as well as Museum of Modern History.

At the international bee congress held in Lausanne, Switzerland, a Slovenian documentary film, *Poslikané panjské končnice*, (Graphics Behive Stations), was featured. In the German version, life of the Slovenian peasant from the 18th Century to the present time was shown.

In a poll conducted by the Austrian daily, *Dér Standard*, the Slovenian Gymnasium in Célóvéc, (Carinthia) was rated among the top 50 in Austria. It was 3rd in Carinthia (Koroška). Ljudska šola Mohorjévé in Célóvéc was one of

four best among 50 in all of Austria. Nice work and we are proud of our Korošké Slovenians!

In Memory

I would like to thank "everyone" who sent me cards; called me in the hospital and at home; and said prayers while I was in the hospital. I'm home now, and recuperating nicely.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$50.00. \$30.00 is for my subscription renewal, and \$20.00 is in memory of my grandparents, **Mr. and Mrs. John Winter.**

--Dorothyann Winter
Cleveland, Ohio

In Memory

Tony Smrekar of Cleveland, donated \$10.00 to the American Home newspaper in memory of his parents, **Frank and Karoline Smrekar.**

Krofe Sale

St. Vitus Altar Society will be selling *krofe* on Saturday, June 8th after 8 a.m. in the Social Room of St. Vitus Auditorium.

Life is like a car; the slower you go, the longer you'll last.

Coming Events

Sunday, June 9
St. Mary's Slovenian School Picnic at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, OH. Mass at 12 noon, followed by dinner and dancing.

Wednesday, June 12
Slovenian Pensioners Club of Euclid Picnic at SNPJ Farm, Heath Rd., Chardon, OH. Dinner 1 - 2:30; dancing: 3 - 6 p.m. with Joe Samsa Orchestra. Dinner & Dance \$10. Gate only \$3. Tickets call 531-8368.

Saturday, June 15
Polka Mass, 4 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, 21281 Chardon Rd., Euclid, remembering deceased O-Ja members and all polka musicians who have passed on this year. Fr. George Balasko celebrant. O-Ja Button Box Group.

Wednesday, June 19
AMLA Scholarship Awards Banquet, Slovenian National Home, St. Clair with dinner at 6 p.m. Donation \$15.00.

Sunday, June 23
Ohio Federation of KSKJ Lodges Annual KSKJ Day Picnic at the Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio. Games, food, refreshments, and music.

Sunday, June 23
Triglav's First Picnic, Milwaukee.

Sunday, June 23
Goulash and Polenta Dinner sponsored by AMLA Northern District Lodges at

AMLA Recreation Center, Kniffen Rd., Painesville, O. Joey Tomsick Orchestra. Donation \$7. Serving 1 to 3. Music 1:30 to 5:30.

Tuesday, June 25
Celebration of Slovenia's Independence Day with program at Slovenian National Home, St. Clair, Cleveland. Symposium 1-4; Mass at 6 p.m., with Bishop Pevec, speeches at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, June 28
Board of Slovenska Pristava presents a folklore performance of *Triglav* from Slovenia at 7:30 p.m. at Slovenian National Home on St. Clair. Admission \$10.00. Dance follows. Tickets call 486-4370 or 943-0621.

Sunday, June 30
Outdoor 35th anniversary celebration of Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield with 12:30 Mass followed by dinner. At 3 p.m. program featuring folklore dance group Triglav from Slovenia plus Fantje na Vasi and Korotan and Kres. Tickets call 486-4370 or 943-0621.

Wednesday, July 10
Holmes Avenue Pensioners Picnic at St. Joseph Farm on White Road, starting at 12 noon. Dancing with Fred Ziwich and his International Sound Machine. Admission: Free.

Sunday, July 14
Triglav sponsored Mission Picnic in Milwaukee.

Sunday, July 27

Slovenian American Primorski Klub sponsors a concert by the Slovenian Ansamble Sneznik-Ilirska Bistrica at 7 p.m. in Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Ave. Admission: \$10.

Sunday, July 28
St. Anne's Lodge No. 150 KSKJ annual celebration with Mass in St. Lawrence Church at 10 a.m. followed by dinner at Sterle's restaurant at 12 noon.

Sunday, Aug. 11
Picnic and Dinner at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio sponsored by the Belokranjski Klub. Music by Stan Mejac Orchestra.

Saturday, Sept. 14
Fantje na Vasi concert, St. Clair Slovenian National Home, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13
Slovenian American National Art Guild Art & Crafts Show at Gateway Manor, E. 200 St., Euclid from 1-5 pm.

Saturday, Nov. 2
Glasbena Matica Concert, Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Ave.

Saturday, Nov. 9
Jadran Fall Concert Dinner Dance, Slovenian Workmen's Home. Dinner 5-6:30 p.m.; Program 7 p.m.; Dancing following. Tickets call 481-3187.

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Death Notices

SOPHIE FALCONE

Sophie Falcone (nee Kosir), 73, a longtime resident of Euclid, passed away in Sarasota, Florida on Saturday, June 1.

Sophie was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia. She came to the United States in 1952.

She worked at Model's Meat Market from 1960 until she retired in 1986.

Sophie was the widow of Joseph; very special friend of Joseph Sojer; the mother of Dr. Robert (wife, Dr. Anne) Falcone of Columbus, OH; grandmother of Melissa; sister of Marie (widow of Florian) Koncar and Drago (wife Vera) Kosir of Slovenia.

Friends called at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Wednesday, where services will be held Thursday, June 6, 1996 at 9:15 a.m., and at St. Robert's Church in Euclid at 10 a.m. Burial will be in All Souls Cemetery.

JOSEPH FERENCAK

Joseph Ferencak, 47, of Euclid, passed away on Saturday, June 1, 1996 in Meridia Euclid Hospital.

Joe was a self-employed construction worker. He was a U.S. Army Veteran who served two tours in Vietnam and received a Purple Heart.

Joe was the son of Joseph (deceased) and Florence (nee Poznik); the brother of Marlene Martorello, Ann Marie Pace, Diana Bialko, John and James; and uncle.

Services were Wednesday, June 5 at 10 a.m. at Zele Funeral Home. Burial in All Souls Cemetery. Donations in his memory to a charity of your choice in his memory, would be appreciated by the family.

IVANKA STIPICEVIC

Ivanka Stipicevic (nee Orazem), wife of Michael (deceased); mother of Vlasta (deceased), Branimir (Zdenka) of Croatia, and Alenka (Srecko) Vujinovic; grandmother of Dundica; great-grandmother of Ivana and Anna; sister of the following deceased: Mary Sluga and Angela Polts; and great-aunt.

Ivana passed away May 11, 1996. Funeral Mass was at St. Mary's Church on Holmes Ave. Interment in All Souls Cemetery. Grdina-Faulhaber Funeral Home on Lake Shore Blvd., was in charge of arrangements.

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As many as 1,700 Americans yearly die from the heat. The very young, old or obese are particularly at risk, but even people who work out at gyms need time for their bodies to acclimatize and should go easy.

Ironically, on a muggy scorcher, a fan's breeze can make you hotter. For starters, if you've got the windows closed, the motor can heat up an already stifling room. If your windows are open instead, the steamy air sucked in from outside and blasted toward you will raise your body temperature faster than sweat can cool you.

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Frances Walland Erzen

Died June 9, 1994

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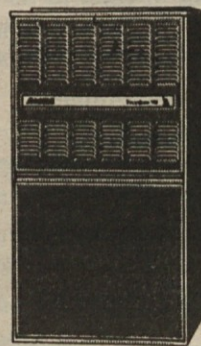
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Celebrate Slovenia's 5th Anniversary

Members of Cleveland's Slovenian-American community are planning a day-long series of events to celebrate the 5th anniversary of independence of The Republic of Slovenia. Dr. Ernest Petric, Slovenia's first ambassador to the United States, said he will attend.

This gala celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, **June 25** and will take place at the St. Clair Slovenian National Home. Preliminary plans include an afternoon symposium, a Mass and an evening reception.

The subject of the symposium will be "Slovenia: Past, Present and Future." It is to be held from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. A Mass of celebration for the people of Slovenia, will follow at 6:00 p.m., in the main auditorium. Principal celebrant will be Bishop A. Edward Pevec.

The Mass will be followed by a 7:00 p.m. reception at which Ambassador Petric will be one of the principal speakers. In addition, the government of Slovenia will be represented by a cabinet minister. The reception will feature a buffet table of delicious food and an open bar where wine, beer and soda will be served.

The symposium and the Mass are open to all. For the evening reception, tickets will be sold for \$10. The tickets are now available at Polka Hall of Fame, AMLA headquarters and Tivoli.

This is a special occasion for all of us whose roots are in Slovenia and who have an abiding interest in its success and future prospects as a nation of free and independence people.

For the planning committee,
Charles Ipavec, Chairman

"Carmina Burana" set for June 9

An exclusive one-time airing of Carl Orff's world famous production, "Carmina Burana," will be broadcast in northeast Ohio on television station WVIZ-TV-25 and radio station WCLV 95.5FM at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 9.

Happy Birthday to SHA Residents



Happy Birthday to the following residents of the Slovene Home for the Aged who were born in the month of June:

- 6-02 - Anna Jersan, 85
- 6-03 - Victoria Klemencic, 88
- 6-03 - Angela Bohinc, 86
- 6-03 - Lottie Osters, 86
- 6-03 - Jean Paik, 86
- 6-04 - Olga Ozanich, 91
- 6-12 - Anthony Kovac, 87
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"People have strong opinions about what they like in a vegetable," laughed Lydia Botham, director of the Land O'Lakes Test Kitchens & Consumer Affairs. "But, if you try a vegetable at its freshest—from a farmers' market, for example—or sample a great vegetable recipe, you may be inspired to choose a new favorite vegetable."

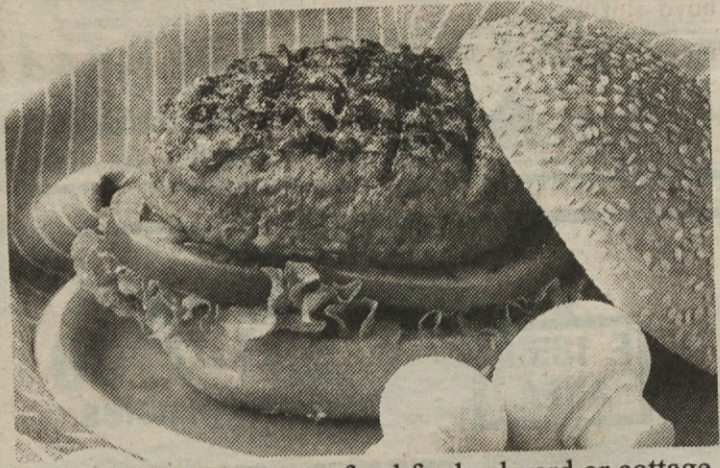
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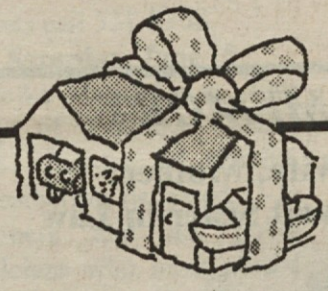


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- 1 lb. ground turkey
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- ½ cup fine soft bread-crumbs
- ½ tsp. Each: thyme and tarragon
- ¼ Each: salt and pepper
- Pinch - nutmeg

In a bowl, combine ground turkey, mushrooms, bread-crumbs, thyme, tarragon, salt, pepper and nutmeg; mix well. Divide mixture into 4 or 6 portions and shape into patties. Place burgers on greased grill 6 inches from heat over medium-hot coals (medium-high on a gas-fired grill). Cook 6 to 8 minutes per side or until meat is no longer pink inside.

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V zadnjih tednih, posebno po nedavnih parlamentarnih volitvah v Italiji, kjer je zmagala levosredinska usmeritev pod vodstvom novega predsednika vlade Romana Prodiya, kažejo številni znaki, da bo Slovenija le dosegla dolgo iskani status pridruženega članstva pri Evropski zvezi. Komentatorji omenjajo predvsem večjo pripravljenost nove italijanske vlade za kompromisno rešitev spora s Slovenijo, vse številnejši so tudi izrazi raznih evropskih politikov v podporo Sloveniji. Tako menijo nekateri, da naj bi Slovenija dosegla svoj cilj že do konca tega ali prihodnjega meseca. Res pa je, da je bilo slišati take pozitivne ocene tudi v preteklosti. Edina resnejša ovira za Slovenijo je še vedno stališče Italije, kajti potrebuje Evropska zveza soglasnost vseh svojih članic za odobritev pridruženega članstva kateri drugi državi. Isto velja za sprejem nove članice v Nato.

Datum za volitve še ni določen — Vladna koalicija v krizi — Težava za Deželaka

Bližajo se redne parlamentarne volitve, te morajo biti po ustavi vsaj do konca tega leta, politične razmere med strankami so pa tako zaostrene, da se doslej niti vladna koalicija ni mogla soglašati o tem, kdaj naj bi te volitve bile. Vladna koalicija sama je v globoki krizi, obenem pa ni pričakovati, da bi prišlo pred volitvami do spremembe vlade. Tako naj bi po padcu ob interpelaciji v državnem zboru zunanega ministra Zorana Thalerja zunanjo politiko vodil sam Drnovšek, Thaler pa ostane na svojem mestu »začasno«. Thaler je član Drnovškove LDS, v nevarnosti zaradi vložene interpretacije je tudi minister za zdravstvo Božidar Voljč. Da bi Voljča rešil, naj bi se Drnovšek osebno obrnil na predsednika SKD Lojzeta Peterleta s prošnjo, da bi poslanci SKD ne podprli interpelacije proti Voljču.

Glede samih parlamentarnih volitev, sta se bili koalicijski stranki dogovorili, da bodo te 27. oktobra. S tem datumom naj bi soglašal tudi predsednik Milan Kučan. Po padcu Zorana Thalerja pa LDS tega datuma noče več podpreti in je Drnovšek rekel, naj bodo volitve šele v novembru. Pretekli teden državni zbor ni izvolil poslanca SKD Miroslava

Mozetiča za predsednika parlamentarnega odbora za evropska vprašanja.

Tudi v SKD se je pojavila težava in sicer v zvezi z njenim vodilnim članom in hkrati ministrom za ekonomske odnose in razvoj Jankom Deželakom. Tednik *Mag* je pač objavil podatek, da ko je Deželak odšel iz Agencije za sanacijo bank in hranilnic na ministrski položaj, mu je bilo izplačanih 10.000 mark odpravnine. Poročilo v *Slovencu* pretekli petek navaja: »Če je podatek točen... naj bi se SKD ministru javno odrekla. Odpravnina naj bi bila Deželaku izplačana že skoraj pred letom, v javnost pa je prišla šele zdaj, po sporih v koaliciji.«

Sestava tujcev v Sloveniji

Podatki kažejo, da je bilo v Sloveniji aprila letos približno 18.500 beguncev. Število teh ljudi pada, kajti se nekateri izseljujejo v druge države, nekateri se vračajo v svojo domovino, spet drugi pa dobijo v Sloveniji delovne ali poslovne vizume oziroma dovoljenja za prebivanje, nekateri tudi zaprosijo za slovensko državljanstvo.

V zvezi s tistimi, ki imajo urejen status tujca, predstavljajo državljani BiH približno 46 odstotkov, ko so prišteti še začasni begunci, pa sestavljajo ljudje iz BiH 70 odstotkov. Delež hrvaških državljanov je 20-odstoten, državljanov Srbije in Črne gore 23, makedonskih državljanov pa 4-odstoten.

Litostrojka turbina se vrti v Kanadi

Pretekli petek je *Slovenec* objavil sledeče: »Te dni je Tovarna turbin Litostroj uspešno spustila v pogon 4 MW cevno turbino S v mestu Jonquiere v Quebecu v Kanadi. Kupilo jo je mesto Jonquiere. Pridobljena energija bo zadostovala za potrebe mesta ob izpadu energetskega sistema in za javno prodajo. Hidroelektrarna Jonquiere je prva od štirih elektrarn v Kanadi, za katere bo tovarna Litostroj izdelala turbine. Preostale tri... bodo dokončane v obdobju od oktobra '96 do aprila '97. Poleg tega se tovarni obetajo še novi posli, in sicer v višini približno 5 milijonov kanadskih dolarjev letno. Pri tem javno sodeluje tudi Litostroj Canada.«

Uspeh je tem večji, ker je ob starejši generaciji inženirjev zrasla nova, ki je naredila sodobno turbino in razvila nov regulator.«

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Piknik Slovenske šole—

To nedeljo vabi Slovenska šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti na piknik na Slovenski pristani. Ob 12h bo maša, po maši procesija Sv. Rešnjega Telesa, sledilo bo kosilo (1.30 - 3. pop.), ves popoldan bo igrala godba. Cena kosilu (svinjska pečenka in pečena kura) je \$10, za otroke pa \$5. Pridite!

Koroški Slovenci na TV—

To nedeljo pop. ob 2h bo lokalna javna televizijska postaja št. 25 predvajala kantato »Carmina Burana«, pri kateri sodeluje več koroških Slovencev, nekatere poznamo po obiskih oz. gostovanjih tu med nami ali pri njih na Koroškem. Predstava bo hkrati (simulcast) na radio postaji WCLV/95FM.

Krofi—

To soboto ima Oltarno društvo fare Sv. Vida prodajo krofov, in to od 8h zj. dalje, v društveni sobi. Pridite!

Slovo od č.g. Evansa—

Ta nedelja, 9. junija, je uradno zadnja za č.g. Richarda Evansa, pomožnega župnika pri Sv. Vidu. Fr. Evans odhaja na novo službeno mesto. Po vseh mašah ob koncu tedna bo v cerkveni dvorani sprejem z osvežili. Gospodinje so lepo naprošene za domače pecivo. Odslej bo imela fara le enega duhovnika, č.g. J. Božnarja.

Novi grobovi

Sophie Falcone

Dne 1. junija je v Sarasoti, Fla., umrla 73 let stara Sophie Falcone, rojena Košir v Ljubljani, v ZDA prišla l. 1952 in živela v Euclidu, vdova po Josephu, mati dr. Roberta (žena, dr. Anne), stara mati Melisse, sestra Marije Končar (vdova po Florijanu) v Euclidu in Draga (žena, Vera) v Sloveniji, draga prijateljica Josepha Sojer, zaposlena pri Model's Meat Market od l. 1960 do svoje upokojitve l. 1986. Pogreb bo danes dop. ob 9.15 iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. v cerkev sv. Roberta ob 10. in od tam na Vernih duš pokopališče.

Elizabeth G. Kuhar

Dne 4. junija je umrla Elizabeth G. Kuhar, rojena Seliskar, vdova po Franku, mati Franka, Elizabeth Kovac in Mary Ann Savickas, 7-krat stara mati, sestra Mary C. Sweeny ter že pok. Rev. Donald S.J., dr. Jamesa F., Johna, Paula, Richarda in Carla. Pogreb bo iz Brickmanovega zavoda jutri, v petek, v cerkev sv. Viljema dop. ob 9.30 in od tam na Kalvarije pokopališče. Ure kropljenja bodo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

Nosilec olimpijskega ognja—

V angleškem delu je dopis o Mirku Lebarju, ki bo za pol kilometra v ponedeljek zjutraj nosil olimpijski ogenj po Lake Shore Blvd. Teh podatkov ne ponavljamo, a smo po natisu angleškega dela dodatno zvedeli več o g. Lebarju. Bil je mladi gimnast, a imel je nesrečo, pri kateri je izgubil obe nogi. Ni obupal, raje obratno. Prišel je na vrh Triglava, na vrh Ojstrice pozimi, in celo na vrh slovitega francoskega Mt. Blanca. G. Lebarja je za nosilca olimpijskega ognja v ZDA predlagala Urška Lorger iz Braslovč, dijakinja 2. letnika gimnazije v Celju. Gdč. Lorgar spremlja g. Lebarja. Če boste imeli čas, da pridete na kraj, kjer bo g. Lebar nosil olimpijski ogenj, to storite, ali pa se lahko z njim srečate na SNPJ farmi na Heath Rd. v Kirtlandu.

Tabor DSPB vabi—

V soboto in nedeljo, 15. in 16. junija, priredi Tabor DSPB spominsko proslavo na Slovenski pristani. Lepo ste vabljeni, da se pridružite tudi vi. Vsi podatki so v oglasu na str. 11 in v članku na str. 10. Posebnost letos bo spominjanje 50. obletnice smrti gen. Leona Rupnika, ki ga je usmrtil takratni komunistični režim.

Seja—

Podružnica št. 25 Slovenske ženske zveze ima sejo to nedeljo, 9. jun., ob 1.30 pop., v društveni sobi svetovidskega avditorija. Članice lepo vabljene na to sejo.

5. obletnica neodvisnosti—

V torek, 25. junija, bo Slovenija praznovala 5. obletnico deklaracije neodvisnosti. Od 1. do 4. bo v SND simpozij o Sloveniji, ob 6h bo tam maša (škof Pevec), sledil bo sprejem. Vstopnice za sprejem so po \$10 in jih dobite mdr. pri glavnem uradu ADZ, Polka Hall of Fame in trgovini Tivoli. Za praznovanje te obletnice bo prišel tudi veleposlanik dr. Ernest Petrič, morda tudi iz Slovenije predstavnik vlade. Poročamo naknadno.

Slovenski dan na SP—

Slovenska pristava obhaja letos 35. obletnico obstoja. Za to priložnost je povabila na gostovanje folklorne skupine Triglav z Jesenic. Celovečerni nastop v SND na St. Clairju bo v petek, 28. junija. V nedeljo, 30. junija, pa bo na SP Slovenski dan. Maša bo ob 12.30, sledilo bo kosilo, ob 3h pop. bo program, sodelovali bodo skupina Triglav, »domači« Fantje na vasi in Kres. Za več informacije in vstopnice, obrnite se na Jožeta Žalika (486-4370) ali Bredo Ribič (943-0621). (Dopis na str. 10)



PEVSKI ZBOR KOROTAN V MARIBORU - Dne 21. maja je imel clevelandski pevski zbor Korotan svoje zadnje gostovanje v Sloveniji, in sicer samostojni koncert v Unionski dvorani v Mariboru. Ob koncu prireditve sta Alojz Križman in Peter Pavel Klasinc, župan in podžupan mesta Maribor, izrekla pozdravne besede ter se zahvalila s simboličnimi darili, ki bodo pevce spominjala na mesto Maribor in prelepo Slovenijo. (V.M. iz Slovenca, 27. maja 1996)

TABOR ZDSPB V CLEVELANDU

Vas vljudno vabi na Spominsko proslavo na Orlovem vrhu Slovenske pristave

NEDELJA, 16. JUNIJA 1996:

SOBOTA, 15. JUNIJA 1995:

1. — Popoldne sprejemanje gostov
2. — Od 6. do 7. ure bo na voljo večerja
3. — Molitev pri Spominski kapelici in kratek program, ki ga bo podal Tabor DSPB Toronto, Kanada
4. — Prižiganje kresa in petje domobrantskih pesmi

1. — Ob 9. uri zjutraj odhod avtomobilske povorke iz Clevelanda
2. — Ob 11. dop. sv. maša, ki jo bo daroval č.g. župnik France Kosem. Nato kratek govor domobrantskega častnika udarnega bataljona
3. — Po končani komemoraciji bo na voljo kosilo
4. — Srečanje in pogovor z domobranci, prijatelji in znanci.

Hvaležen Bogu in Slovencem

Janez Pavel II. med splošno avdienco o obisku v Sloveniji

Papež Janez Pavel II. je govor pri splošni avdienci na Trgu sv. Petra v Rimu v sredo, 22. maja, v celoti posvetil komaj dobro končanemu apostolskemu obisku v Sloveniji. Prislunilo mu je več kot 17000 romarjev iz več kot šestindvajsetih držav, med njimi Slovenci iz Clevelanda, hrvaški študentje, člani raznih organizacij pa tudi večja skupina Natovih oficirjev iz raznih držav.

Janez Pavel II. je povedal:

»V nedeljo zvečer sem končal apostolsko potovanje v Sloveniji, ki se je začelo v petek, 17. maja. To je bil, kot pred dvema letoma na Hrvaškem, zelo pričakovani obisk in prvi v zgodovini Slovenije.

Iskreno sem hvaležen najprej Božji Previdnosti, da mi je v velikonočnem času omogočila ta obisk na povabilo škofov in oblasti Republike Slovenije. Vsakemu izmed njih sem iskreno hvaležen, hkrati pa izražam moj prisrčni »Bog plačaj« vsem tistim, ki so kakorkoli pomagali, da se je to moje apostolsko potovanje lahko uresničilo v najboljših možnih okoliščinah. Na vsakem koraku sem se prepričal o velikem organizacijskem naporu s strani Cerkve in civilne skupnosti v pripravah in med potekom papeževga obiska.

Zahvaljujem se predsedniku Republike Slovenije, predstavnikom vlade, deželnim in kra-

jevnim oblastem. Zahvaljujem se vsem, ki so se v velikem številu in lahko rečemo z navdušenjem udeležili raznih srečanj v času mojega bivanja v Sloveniji.

Iz več razlogov pa je zato veselje ob tem obisku zelo veliko. Ob mojem prihodu je ubrano zvonjenje po vsej deželi sporočilo poseben pomen tega dogodka za zgodovino celotnega naroda, ki živi na križišču med izmučenim območjem Balkana in ostalo Evropo, in sem ga hotel opogumiti na poti polne svobode in miru.

Zgodovina krščanstva slovenskega ljudstva šteje že 1250 let. Njegova sedanja država je stara komaj pet let. Po obdobju lastne države Karantanije so Slovenci bili sestavni del drugih državnih tvorb, posebno še habsburške monarhije Avstro-Ogrske. Po prvi svetovni vojni je bila ustanovljena država Južnih Slovanov.

Slovenci so stopili v novo državo skupaj z drugimi, med njimi so bili Hrvati, Srbi, Črnogorci ter Bosna in Hercegovina. Tudi oni so doživeli trpljenje druge svetovne vojne in po svetovnem spopadu so se z drugimi narodi znašli v Jugoslovanski federaciji, podrejeni oblasti komunističnega sistema. Šele v devetdesetih letih je ta federativna vez prenehala, toda za ceno državljske vojne, ki je terjala nemalo žrtev, čeprav je k sreči na slovenski zemlji trajala manj kot drugje.

To so najnovejši politični dogodki, vendar je zgodovina slovenskega ljudstva, ki je zraslo na ozemlju, ki je pred tem pripadalo Rimskemu imperiju, veliko daljša. Zahvaljujoč krščanstvu je Slovenija ustvarila svojo tipično kulturno istovetnost, kot se je to zgodilo v številnih drugih narodih v Evropi in po svetu.

Cerkev na Slovenskem se še vedno spominja imen tistih, ki so ji prinesli vero iz bližnjih središč v Salzburgu, Ogleju in v Panoniji: svetih škofov Virgila, Modesta, Pavlina in svetih Cirila in Metoda. Z gotovostjo lahko povemo, da je razvoj slovenske kulture tesno povezan s krščanstvom, začenši prav z jezikom, prisotnim v pisnih dokumentih iz desetega stoletja, ki vsebujejo katehetska in pridigarska besedila.

Krščanstvo je prišlo v Slovenijo iz Rima in zato v slovenski kulturi zahodna sestavina prevladuje nad vzhodno. To potrjujejo tesne vezi, ki obstajajo od samih začetkov procesa oblikovanja cerkvenega in kulturnega življenja z navedenimi središči v Ogleju in Salzburgu. Med mojim obiskom sem vse to posebej naglasil, posebno še med srečanjem s kulturniki in znanstveniki v Mariboru.

Slovenska kultura je stara kultura, ki je tako na znanstvenem kot na področju ljudskih izročil očitno zaznamovana z zahodnim značajem. To se je jasno pokazalo v bogoslužnih slavjih; in je nadalje zelo močno prišlo do izraza med nepozabnim srečanjem z mladimi v Postojni. Mladi, dediči te kulture, so poklicani, da jo izročijo rodovom tretjega tisočletja.

Z vidika cerkvene ureditve na ozemlju Slovenije obstaja ena metropolija s sedežem v Ljubljani in dve podrejeni škofiji: mariborska in koprška. Škofov je sedaj sedem. Ljubljanski metropolit je nadškof Alojzij Šuštar, ki ga še enkrat prisrčno pozdravljam skupaj z ostalimi škofi, duhovniki in vsemi njegovimi sodelavci.

Slovenski duhovniki, redovniki, redovnice in semeniščniki še vedno živijo ob spominu ter pod duhovnim vplivom velikega mariborskega škofa Antona Martina Slomška, ki je v 19. stoletju globoko zaznamoval ne samo življenje Cerkve in evangelizacijo, ampak vso slovensko kulturo. Postopek za razglasitev za blaženega tega velikega apostola se srečno končuje in nedavno je bila potrjena junaška stopnja njegove kreposti.

Na njegov zgled, kakor tudi na zgled drugih nadpastirjev in junaških pričevalcev za vero, kot je na primer božji služabnik Lojze Grozde, sem želel opozoriti vso krščansko skupnost v Sloveniji, ki se zavzema za nujno delo nove evangelizacije.

Vera slovenskega naroda, surovo preizkušana v tem stoletju, je ostala neomajna: za to se zahvaljujemo Bogu.

Sedaj je zaznati potrebo po obnovljenem misijonskem zagonu, za kar je potrebna duhovna podpora, pozorna budnost in preroško razločevanje »znamenaj časa«, zlasti od oseb, ki so poklicane posvetiti evangeliju vse svoje življenje. S to mislijo na prihodnost sem med slovesnimi večericami v petek, 17. maja zvečer, v Ljubljani, opogumljal duhovnike, naj vedno globlje čutijo srečo in odgovornost za njihovo poslanstvo občestvenosti in služenja; redovnike sem opogumljal, naj brez slehernega oklevanja sprejmejo zahteve »spremenjenega« življenja po evangeljskem vzoru; vse verujoče pa, naj si velikodušno prizadevajo za novo evangelizacijo v zaupanju do Marije, »Pomočnice kristjanov«.

Dragi bratje in sestre! Obisk v Sloveniji je bil v velikonočnem času. Začel se je v petek po vnebohodu, končal pa v nedeljo zvečer. V teh dneh se Cerkev spominja apostolov, zbranih po Kristusovem vnebohodu v dvorani zadnje večerje v molitvi skupaj z Marijo, ko so pričakovali prihod

NAVODILA za Spominsko proslavo na Slovenski pristavi

Vsem, ki se boste udeležili avtomobilske povorke ob priliki spominske proslave Tabora DSPB iz Clevelanda na Slovensko pristavo v nedeljo, 16. junija, sporočamo, da bo zbirališče v Gordonu parku na E. 72 St. ob jezeru. Povorka bo krenila točno ob deveti uri po že ustaljeni poti in se ji bodo pridružili oni, ki se bodo zbrali na Lakeland Blvd., med Babbitt Rd. in E. 260 cesto, ter nato vsi ostali na običajnih mestih, kot dosedanja leta. Ameriške in slovenske zastavice boste dobili na zbirališčih.

Maša, ki jo bo daroval pri spominski kapelici na Orlovem vrhu č.g. Franci Kosem, bo ob 11. uri dopoldne.

Vsi, ki imate narodne noše, naprošamo, da jih oblečete in se nam pridružite, da se čim svečeneje oddolžimo spominu onih, ki so darovali svoja življenja za Boga, narod in domovino!

Tabor DSPB - Cleveland

Tolažnika, Duha Resnice.

Vsa Cerkev tako vsako leto živi devetdnevno k Svetemu Duhu in se pripravlja na binkošti. Bogu sem hvaležen, da sem imel letos veselo priložnost preživeti vsaj nekaj dni te devetdnevne v dvorani zadnje večerje Cerkve, ki je v Sloveniji.

Ko še imam pred očmi očarljive in včasih ganljive prizore te prelepe dežele in njenega ljudstva, bi rad ponovno zaupal njegove upe in pričakovanja presveti Devici Mariji, da bo po delovanju Svetega Duha velikodušno stopalo v tretje tisočletje in postajalo vedno bolj dežela vere, svetosti in miru.

Ob koncu se želim še enkrat zahvaliti slovenskim bratom in sestram, ki so se spomnili mojega rojstnega dneva. Zahvaljujem se jim za izraze dobrohotnosti, predvsem pa za molitve, s katerimi so mi hoteli izraziti svojo ljubečo povezanost. «

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V blag spomin

Po kratki in mučni bolezni je ob zori 20. marca 1996 odšel po večno plačilo naš nadvse ljubljani in dobri mož, ata in tata. V zakonu z ženo Maro je imel dva sina: Mirkota in prerano umrlega Francka.



Bogomir Chokel

Upokojeni arhivist Svetovne banke

K zadnjemu počitku na pokopališče Vstajenja smo ga spremili v soboto, 23. marca 1996.

Zalujoči: žena Mara, sin Mirko;

vnuki: Miha, Mirček, Jozi in sorodstvo v Sloveniji.

Temple Hills, Maryland, 20. maja 1996.

Govor papeža Janeza Pavla II. v Postojni 18. maja

VERA JE V SLUŽBI ŽIVLJENJA

»Haec est dies, quam fecit Dominus...« - »To je dan, ki ga je naredil Gospod, radujmo se in se ga veselimo« (PS 117/118, 24).

DRAGI MLADI, pozdravljam vas z besedami psalma, s katerimi smo si v velikonočnem bogoslužju postali kar domači. Vabijo nas, naj se razveselimo, kar je še posebej primerno ob tej priložnosti, ko se papež veseli srečanja z vami, mladimi iz Slovenije, ki ste v tako velikem številu prišli v Postojno.

Tu se križa mnogo poti, po katerih so hodili dolga stoletja ljudje iz vseh delov Evrope. Vesel sem, da z vami praznujem svoj šestinsedemdeseti rojstni dan. Rojstni dan in dan krsta nas spominjata na dar življenja in na mladost vere, ki jo Bog nenehno obnavlja. Zato se veselim, ker lahko danes z vami razmišljam o tem, kar je najbolj značilno za mladost, namreč o **smislu življenja in o poklicanosti**.

Zahvaljujem se koprskemu škofu msgr. Metodu Pirihi za besede, ki mi jih je ravnokar namenil. Zahvaljujem se tudi trem mladim predstavnikom, ki so izrazili vaša čustva in so mi tudi v vašem imenu postavili nekaj zanimivih vprašanj. Hvala vsem za gostoljuben sprejem.

»To je dan, ki ga je naredil Gospod...« Dan, ki ga je naredil Gospod, je velikonočni dan, ki v sebi povzema vse **delo stvarjenja** - »Bog je videl, da je dobro« (1 Mz 1,19) - in obenem razodeva **božjo moč odrešenja**. Vstali Kristus, zmagovalec nad smrtjo, izliva luč evangelija na vse stvarstvo. On, ki je rekel: »Jaz sem luč sveta. Kdor hodi za menoj, ne bo taval v temi« (Jn 8,12).

Hoditi za Kristusom pomeni verovati vanj in sprejeti njegov nauk. Verovati, da je on pot, resnica in življenje. Odlomek iz Janezovega evangelija, ki smo ga ravnokar slišali, nas je vnovič spomnil, kako se je vstali Kristus apostolom dvakrat prikazal v dvorani zadnje večerje.

Ta pripoved še posebej postavi v ospredje lik apostola Tomaža. Za hip bi se rad ustavil skupaj z vami ob izkustvu tega nevernega apostola, ki potem vendarle dospe do slovesne izpovedi vere. Gre za iz-

kustvo, ki se nadaljuje v zgodovini človeštva: vsakdo je poklican, da se sooči z njim.

Evangelist Janez pravi, da je bil Tomaž **navdušen nad Jezusom** in je bil celo pripravljen **tvegati življenje, da bi hodil za njim** (prim. Jn 11,16). V Tomažu moremo prepoznati vse mlade, ki se navdušujejo za Kristusa in za ideale, ki jih ponuja. Ko pa pride za Jezusa »njegova ura« in ga aretirajo, obsodijo na smrt in križajo, v Tomažu prevlada dvom. Ni ga med apostoli, ko se jim vstali Kristus prikaže v dvorani zadnje večerje. Tudi ko ga drugi kasneje o vsem obvestijo, Tomaž reče: »Če ne vidim..., ne bom veroval« (Jn 20,25).

Jezus pa se vrne, pokaže svoje odprte rane, znak večne Božje ljubezni do nas, grešnikov. Tomaž **vidi in tedaj veruje**. Ob srečanju z vstalim Gospodom v polnosti najde sebe in veruje z vsem svojim bitjem. »Ker si mi videl, veruješ. Blagor tistim, ki niso videli, a so verovali!« (Jn 20, 29).

Ali morda niso težave, ki jih danes mnogi kristjani srečujejo pri svojem verovanju, podobne Tomaževim? Vsi smo poklicani, da si v soočenju s Kristusom oblikujemo lastno stališče.

Apostol Tomaž je primer **iskrenega iskalca**: ne sramuje se odkrito izraziti svojega dvoma. In ko se sreča z vstalim Kristusom in se lahko z roko dotakne znamenja njegovega trpljenja, se dvom razblini in on ne potrebuje več nobenega dokazovanja. To srečanje ga tako globoko preobrazí, da vzklíkne: »Moj Gospod in moj Bog!« (Jn 20,28).

Dragi mladi prijatelji! Kakšen je vaš odnos do Kristusa? Pred vami ne stoji v vidni podobi, kot se je prikazal tistega dne pred apostolom Tomažem. Toda tudi danes vam na neki način kaže rane na svojem povelčanem telesu v bridkem pričevanju tistih, ki so v teku stoletij verovali vanj in se iz ljubezni do njega razdajali v službi bratom za ceno lastnih žrtev, včasih tudi junaških.

Glejte: pred vašimi očmi stoji toliko Kristusovih pričevalcev! Gre za množice krščanskih žena in mož, tudi iz vašega ljudstva, ki so dali življenje zanj.

Danes bi vam rad ponovil: **Blagor vam, mladi**, če morete verovati, ne da bi videli ali se dotaknili; če vas je pritegnila zgolj lepota in resnica evangelija, za katerega pričajo sveti. Blagor vam, če bo zaupanje v Božjo ljubezen močnejše od skepticizma in predsodkov; če boste zmogli z njim premagati razočaranja in sleherno skušnjavo malodušja in obupa. Blagor vam, če se vaš pogled ne bo zaustavil zgolj na površju stvari in oseb, ampak bo znal prodreti dogodkom v srce; če boste znali preko vidnega in otipljivega razbirati bistveno, ki je vedno skrito in zastrto, da bi ga potem mogli svobodno podariti in sprejeti. Blagor vam!

Zdaj pa bi rad, moji prijatelji, **odgovoril na vprašanja**, ki ste mi jih postavili na začetku tega srečanja.

Prvo vprašanje zadeva **strah in upanje**. Če pomislim na svoje življenje, lahko rečem, da je bila vojna prav zares nepozabno izkustvo nevarnosti in strahu. Dvajset let sem bil star, ko se je nad Evropo in nad vsem svetom razdivjalo neurje druge svetovne vojne, ki je povsod sejalo smrt in uničenje. Moj generacijo je močno zaznamoval strah pred

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Obrazi mladih žarijo, ker morejo velikonočno veselje dopolniti z radostjo, da lahko s Petrom gredo naproti vstalemu Gospodu. Čeprav nismo zbrani v škofijskem središču v Kopru, je danes mesto Postojna središče naše škofije in Cerkve na Slovenskem, saj so tu mladi, upanje Cerkve in naroda. Ob nas je gotosko razpelo iz naše stolnice, znamenje neizmerne Kristusove ljubezni, ter vsem nam tako ljuba podoba Svetogorske Matere božje.

Na vaš 76. rojstni dan, poln blagoslova z nebes, smo zbrani tu v družinskem vzdušju iz ljubezni do Kristusa, do božje Matere Marije in do Vas, sveti oče, da vas poslušamo in skupaj z Vami praznujemo. Tu so mladi v sozvočju s papežem, ki jih razume, ker ima sam mladostno srce. Mnogi mladi sodelujejo v različnih mladinskih skupinah, pevskih zborih, so člani župnijskih pastoralnih svetov, skavti, katehisti, katehistinje, v raznih gibanjih. Nekateri od njih so razpeti med delom in študijem, na žalost je vedno več tudi nezaposlenih, nekateri ne najdejo pravega mesta v Cerkvi in v sedanjih družbi.

Med mladimi so tu bogoslovci, semeniščniki in kandidati za redovništvo. Ti so pripravljene darovati svoje življenje v službi bratov in sester kot orodje Jezusa Kristusa, velikega in večnega duhovnika.

Vaš obisk, sveti oče, ni le slovesni zgodovinski trenutek za nas vse, ampak tudi ura milosti in obveza za prihodnost. Trdno sem prepričan, da bo Vaš pastoralni obisk mladih, vsem, ki smo z njimi tukaj, in ljudem dobre volje, odprla nova obzorja luči, moči, upanja, in področja njihovega udejstvovanja.

Sveti oče, hvala Vam, da ste prišli k nam in nas potrdili v veri. Hvala za Vašo skrb, za Vašo bližino, za Vašo ljubezen in za Vašo molitev. V imenu vseh navzočih in v svojem imenu Vam za rojstni dan in za zlati duhovniški jubilej voščim, naj Vam Bog po Marijini priprošnji podari dolgo življenje in duhovno veselje, da boste sami in mi vsi vztrajali v nezlomljivi zvestobi Cerkvi in evangeliju.



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Se kako dobro vem, kaj pomeni izkusiti strah. Zato lahko tudi razumem, kako so se počutili apostoli - po tem, kar smo prebrali v evangeljskem odlomku -, ki so se zaprli v dvorano zadnje večerje »iz strahu pred Judi« (Jn 20,19). Verjetno so menili, da je zdaj vse izgubljeno, da ni več upanja. Toda v tistem trenutku vstopi Jezus »pri zaprtih vratih« in tedaj se vse nenadoma spremeni.

Dragi prijatelji, tu je odgovor na vaše vprašanje: **Kristus** je tisti, ki nenehno vstopa v dvorano zadnje večerje. Vstopa v tolikere dvorane zadnje večerje, kjer so zbrani preplašeni in obupani ljudje, kakor apostoli po preskušnji velikega petka. Kristus pa vstopa in se približuje tolikim današnjim »Tomažem«, da bi jih prepričal o svoji zmagi nad smrtjo, o svoji ljubezni, ki prinaša mir, o zveličavni moči odrešenja in o milosti. Biti moramo pripravljene, sprejeti ga, da bi »okusili, kako je Gospod dober« (1 Pt 2,3).

Dragi prijatelji, ko vas oblegajo skušnjave, da bi se zaprli vase, ker vas življenje zasipa s skrbmi ali vas včasih celo strahši, se spomnite, da vstali Jezus trka na vrata vašega srca in čaka, da mu odprate. Če ga sprejmete, reče vsakemu: »Mir s teboj!«

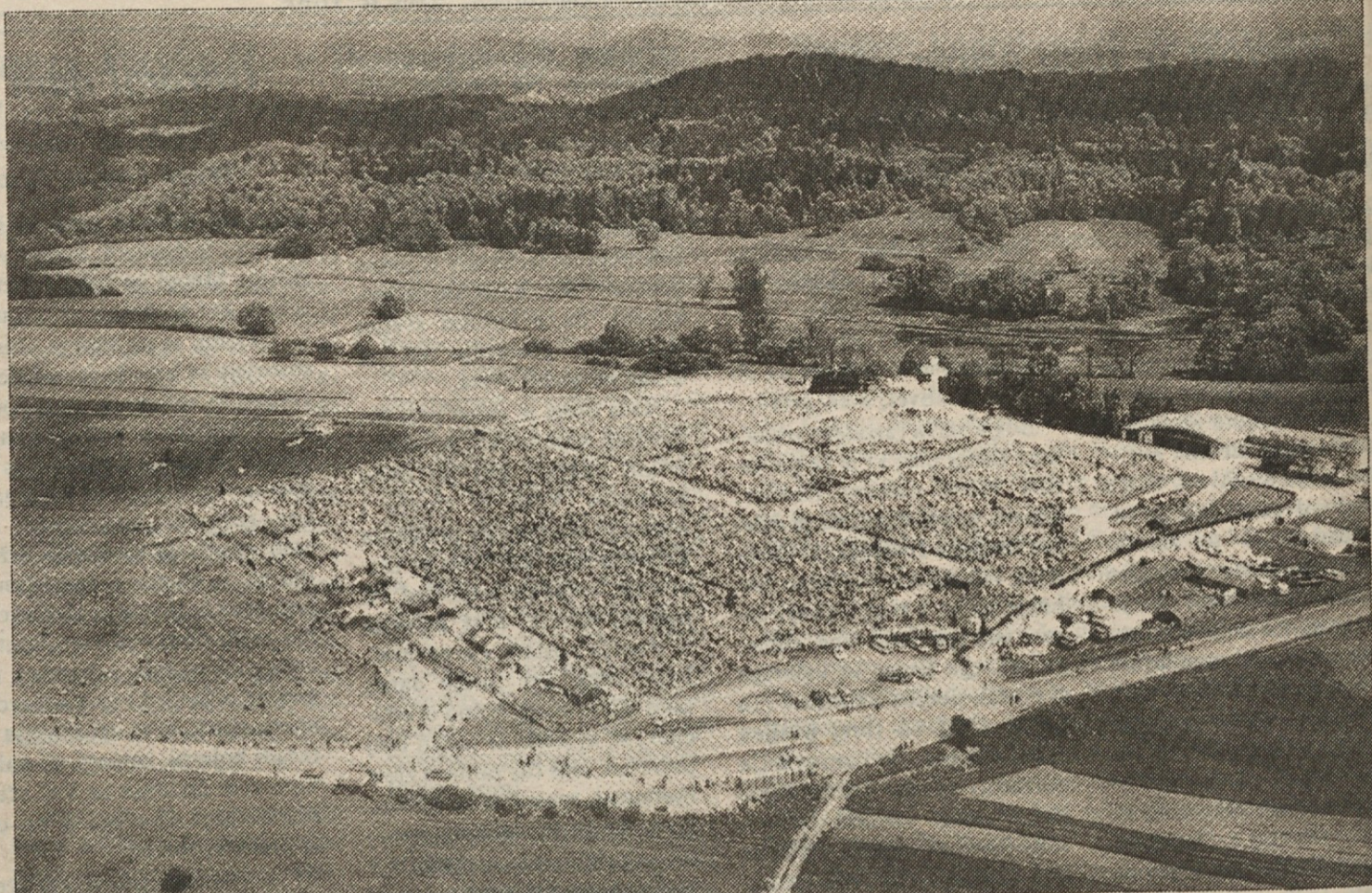
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Mnogo mladih ne vidi svoje prihodnosti in se zatekajo k neurejeni zabavi, alkoholu, spolnosti, mamilom; drugi preživljajo globoke duševne stiske; drugi spet se zatekajo v brezbriznost ali pa pustijo, da jih potegnejo za seboj nasilne skupine. Vse to so poskusi, kako ubežati pred notranjo praznino. Toda strah in obup ostaneta na preži.

Samo vera in ljubezen moreta premagati strah in znova prižgati upanje.

Iz vsega srca vam želim, da bi mogli z ljubeznijo premagati vsak strah in povsod izžarevati upanje. Tudi dandanes ne manjka čudovitih pričevanj tistih, ki verujejo v Kristusovo ljubezen in iz nje črpajo moč za to, da prinašajo mir, kjer je vojna, resnico, kjer je laž, odpuščenje, kjer je nesloga, solidarnost in radodarnost, kjer je zapostavljanje in sebičnost.

Dragi mladi, ozrite se na **Marijo!** Ona je odlična zgled poguma in upanja, ki ga ima kdor veruje v Božjo besedo in jo sprejme v svoje življenje. Kakor Marija tudi vi zaupajte



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v Gospoda! Če se boste naslonili nanj, ne boste razočarani.

Vaše **drugo vprašanje** je: **Kako moremo graditi Cerkev?** Tu nam pride na pomoč odlomek iz Prvega Petrovega pisma, ki smo ga poslušali na začetku. Sveti Peter pravi, da je **Kristus »živi kamen«** (2,4). Prav on daje življenje s svojim Svetim Duhom, tako da vsi, ki ga sprejmejo, tudi sami postanejo »živi kamni«, graditelji »duhovne stavbe« (prim. 2,5).

Ko se apostol obrača na prve kristjane, jih spominja na ta čudoviti in skrivnostni poklic: »Vi pa ste izvoljeni rod, kraljevsko duhovništvo, svet narod, ljudstvo, odločeno za božjo last, da bi oznanjali tistega, ki vas je poklical iz teme v svojo čudovito svetlobo« (2,9).

Dragi mladi, potrudite se, da »boste« Cerkev. Zato s pomočjo **bogoslužja, kateheze in bratskega življenja v skupnosti**, vedno bolj vstopajte v občestvo z Jezusom. Znova odkrijte krst kot resničnost, ki je nenehno dejavna v vsakem trenutku vašega življenja. Poglobljajte svojo pripadnost Kristusu s pomočjo zakramentov **sprave in evharistije**. Bodite ponosni, da ste del Cerkve! Vključujte se v njeno veliko poslanstvo! **Sodelujte** ponižno in velikodušno v življenju župnije, raznih združenj in apostolskih gibanj, ki jim pripadate. Potrudite se, da bodo v njih rasli bratski odnosi in misijonarska zavzetost in se vam bodo lahko pridružili še mnogi vaši vrstniki. Tako boste iz svojih skupnosti naredili kraj prizadevanja za mir in

edinost, kjer se bo gradila prihodnost v znamenju solidarnosti, ki bo v prid tudi vsemu vašemu narodu.

Vaše **tretje vprašanje** govori o zahtevi **po povezanosti med vero in življenjem**. Ta zahteva je bolj kot kdaj koli pereča v naših dneh in je vam, mladim, upravičeno pri srcu. **Vera, dragi prijatelji, je v službi življenja**, da bi to bilo polno, resnično in večno. Zakramenti, bogoslužje, kateheza, vse teži k temu. Kdor veruje v Kristusa in hodi za njim, napolnjuje z njegovim Duhom vse svoje bivanje in prispeva cerkveni skupnosti in družbi svoj odgovoren in ustvarjalni delež.

Gotovo so tudi kristjani izpostavljeni individualistični in potrošniški miselnosti, ki jo širijo sredstva množičnega obveščanja z varljivimi prividi sreče in z lažnimi vzori samouresničevanja. Tudi jaz bi vam rad znova rekel: spoznavajte sebe, **odkrivajte resnico o vas samih**, kajti samo resnica vas bo osvobodila.

Apostol Tomaž je bil kritičen do tega, kar so mu pripovedovali drugi apostoli, toda ostal je **odprt za resnico**. In ob srečanju z Vstelim je v polnosti odkril, da je resnica živa oseba, **Jezus Kristus**. Vpričo njega je doumel svoje življenje kot poklic in kot poslanstvo. Jezusu je ponudil vse svoje sile in življenje samo, ko je odšel v daljno Indijo, da bi tja prinesel evangelij.

Dragi mladi prijatelji, vam ni potrebno telesno srečanje z Jezusom. Za vero vam zadoštuje pričevanje Tomaža, drugih apostolov in Cerkve. Naj Jezus za vas postane oseba, za katero je **vredno zastaviti vse življenje**. Dovolite mu, naj vstopi v vaše načrte, v vsako vašo dejavnost. Tako boste postali misijonarji v vsakdanjem življenju, v odnosih s sorodniki, s sošolci in sodelavci, s prijatelji v prostem času in pri športu, v socialnih dejavnostih. Hodite za Jezusom

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ljam pastirja vaše škofije msgr. Franca Krambergerja, njegovega pomožnega škofa msgr. Jožefa Smeja kakor tudi nekdanjega pomožnega škofa msgr. Vekoslava Grmiča. Želim jim, da bi hodili po stopinjah tistega velikega škofa, častitljivega Slomška, ki je dosegel prenos škofijskega sedeža iz Šent Andraža na Koroškem prav sem v Maribor.

Pozdravljam pastirje sosednjih škofij in škofo, ki s svojo navzočnostjo pričajo o edinstvi in povezanosti med različnimi krajevnimi Cerkvami. Prav prisrčno se obračam tudi na duhovnike, redovnike, redovnice in vse vernike, ki ste se tukaj zbrali iz mnogih delov vaše dežele in iz sosednjih držav. Pozdravljam tudi državne oblasti, predstavnike mesta in univerze in vse, ki so velikodušno pomagali pri izvedbi tega obiska.

Enako želim še posebej pozdraviti vse, ki pripadajo narodnim manjšinam, predstavnike drugih narodov, begunce in tiste, ki so prisiljeni živeti v težkih razmerah. Vas, moji dragi, bi rad še posebej spodbudil: ne izgubite zaupanja v Boga in še naprej si neutrudno prizadevajte za ustvarjanje bolj človeške prihodnosti za

pri pomembnih življenjskih odločitvah: pri odločitvi za zakon ali za devišstvo v službi Božjega kraljestva. Kdor je poklican v duhovniško službo, naj v ponižni hvaležnosti sprejme ta klic in nanj velikodušno odgovori.

Dragi prijatelji, še enkrat hvala za vašo dobrodošlico. Korajža velja! Hodite v veri, upanju in ljubezni! Odprite sebe in vse vaše bivanje navdihom Svetega Duha, in pustite, da vas On popelje na odprto morje tretjega tisočletja.

Papež vas ima rad!

vse.

Končno pa hvala vsakemu izmed vas za dejavno sodelovanje pri tej slovesni evharistiji. Častitljivi božji služabnik Anton Martin Slomšek naj vsakemu izmed vas pomaga, da bo v svojem življenju uredničeval Gospodovo voljo.

Med molitvijo v dvorani zadnje večerje je Jezus rekel Očetu: »Jaz sem te poveličal na zemlji s tem, da sem dokončal delo, ki si mi ga dal... **Razodel sem tvoje ime ljudem**, katere si mi dal od sveta... in oni so ohranili tvojo besedo... Besede, ki si mi jih dal, sem dal njim. Sprejeli so jih in v resnici spoznali, da sem izšel od tebe, ter začeli verovati, da si me ti poslal« (Jn 17,4.6.8).

Jezus je izrekel te besede dan pred svojim trpljenjem.

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TORONTO, Ont. — 37. Slovenski Dan se bo vršil v nedeljo, 23. julija, na cerkvenem letovišču pri Boltonu. Ob 11h dopoldne bo sv. maša, sledila bo ob 2h pop. proslava.

Slovenski Dan organizira Slovensko-Kanadski Svet.

Glavni govornik bo **pater Bazilij**, slovenski izseljenski duhovnik iz Avstralije. Za njegovo izredno delo ga je angleška kraljica izbrala za častni naziv »Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire« oziroma M.B.E.

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V tem mesecu, ki je posve-čen pres. Srcu Jezusovemu, počastimo Jezusa s tem, da prižigamo svečke s prošnjo, da bi bili zvesti Bogu in Cerkvi. Tu jih prižigamo po namenih,

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Za nas, ki se jih spominjamo po tem, ko smo pred nekaj dnevi obhajali njegov **vnebohod**, dobivajo še prav posebno svestino. Razodevajo se namreč kot nenehna **prosilna molitev za Cerkev**, ki temelji na apostolih: »**Zanje prosim**. Ne prosim za svet, temveč za tiste, katere si mi dal, ker so tvoji. Ze nisem več na svetu; oni so na svetu, da jaz odhajam k tebi« (Jn 17,9-11).

Kristus moli za Cerkev vseh časov in po vsem svetu. Moli tudi za Cerkev, ki je tukaj, v **vaši ljubljani domovini**. Prvo berilo iz Apostolskih del nas je **znova popeljalo v dvorano zadnje večerje**, kjer so se po Jezusovem vnebohodu zadrževali apostoli skupaj z Marijo in v molitvi pričakovali prihod Svetega Duha.

Danes se ta dvorana zadnje večerje ponavzočuje tukaj, v Sloveniji. Tudi mi smo poklicani, da z Marijo vztrajamo v molitvi. Po žalostnih in težkih izkušnjah preteklosti se ob tem slavju **spomnimo** vseh tistih, ki so bili soudeleženi pri **Kristusovih mukah** in so jih »sramotili zaradi Kristusovega imena« (1 Pt 4,14).

Obenem pa ponovimo s psalmistom: »**Gospod je moja luč in moja rešitev**, koga bi se bal? Eno sem prosil od Gospoda, za to se bom zavzemal: da bi prebival v Gospodovi hiši vse dni mojega življenja (Ps 27,14).

Vse dni življenja in vso večnost. Amen!

ki ste nam jih poslali. Bog plačaj!

God sv. Antona Padovanskega je 13. junija. Doma iz Portugalske, je bil kot mlad frančiškan že na poti v misijone, a božji načrti so bili drugačni. Francija in Italija sta potrebovala misijonarja, ki ga je, kakor sv. Frančiška Asiškega, odlikovala globoka ljubezen do Križanega in Device Marije.

Umrli je v Italiji 13. junija 1231. Pokopan je v Padovi, kjer v njemu posvečeni cerkvi hranijo njegov nestrohnjen jezik. Že za življenja se je po njegovi priprošnji zgodilo mnogo čudežev, še več pa po smrti. Tudi dandanes se mnogi iskreno zatekajo k sv. Antonu v raznih težavah in jih uslišuje.

Sv. Peter in Pavel, apostola, godujeta 29. junija. Na ta dan v Sloveniji posvečujejo novomašnike. Spomnili se jih bomo v molitvah in prosili: »Gospod, duhovnikov nam daj!«

V tem mesecu imajo rojstni dan: p. Bernardin Sušnik (19. junija 1935), p. Blaž Chema-zar (23. junija 1928).

V dnevih od 15. do 19. aprila smo slovenski frančiškani opravili v Lemontu letne duhovne vaje. Vodil jih je p. Metod Ogorevc, OFM, kaplan pri župniji Sv. Terezije v Johnstownu, Pa.

Letos nas zima, mrzlo vreme, kar noče izpustiti iz hladnih krempljev. Na cvetno nedeljo je bilo hladno in deževno, da je morala odpasti procesija z butaricami. Na veliko soboto zvečer se je toliko zvedrilo, da se je mogla razviti vstajenjska procesija. Pri obredih velikega tedna so rojaki lepo sodelovali. Cerkev, zlasti oltar in božji grob je bil lepo pripravljen in okrašen. Zahvala gre mnogim rojakom, predvsem Julki in Martinu Kacin. Bog plačaj!

Kakor vsako leto, je tudi letos skupina rojakov naredila lepo število butaric. Nekaj je bilo namenjenih za Lemont, nekaj pa za Sv. Štefana v Chicagu. Zelenje za butarice je v glavnem bilo nabrano na zemlji našega samostana. Do sedaj so skozi desetletja prireditelji butaric od izkupička darovali delno samostanu za vzdrževanje, delno cerkvi Sv. Štefana v Chicagu.

Bog je nenadoma poklical k sebi Štefana Copota, dobrotnika našega samostana. Pokojni je s svojimi brati in delavci obnovil zunanost našega samostana, za kar smo njemu



Še zadnji pozdrav Sloveniji

in bratom iskreno hvaležni. Spominjamo se Štefana v molitvi. Naj počiva v božjem miru, ženo in družino pokojnega naj Bog varuje in ohrani.

Ko to pišemo, se Siovenija pripravlja na obisk papeža Janeza Pavla II. Iz slovenskih naselbin te dežele, se namerava več rojakov udeležiti papeževega obiska v Sloveniji in prisostvovati slovesnostim. Slovenske frančiškane v Ameriki in rojake Chicaga in okolice bo zastopal p. David Šrumpf, OFM, voditelj Slovenskega verskega središča v Lemontu.

Večina naročnikov redno poravnava naročnino za »Ave Maria«. Hvaležni smo tudi za vsak dar, ki ga priložite, tako kot podporo listu, kakor tudi za cerkev Marije Pomagaj in za vzdrževanje. Bog povrni. Spominjamo se v molitvah in pri sv. maši. Za dobrotnike darujemo sv. mašo vsak teden, za žive in rajne naročnike Ave Maria pa enkrat na mesec. Tokrat bo v nedeljo, 9. junija, ob 7h zjutraj.

Obenem priporočamo naše bolne sobrate. Med njimi so: p. Fortunat Zorman, p. Raphael Stražišar in p. Leonard Bogolin. Tudi ostali se priporočamo v molitve, da bomo mogli nadaljevati z delom, ki nam je poverjeno in Bog od nas pričakuje.

Kakor pri vsaki človeški stvari, se tudi pri upravi Ave Maria včasih vrine pomota. Hvaležni smo vsem, ki nas o pomoti obvestijo. Le tako jo je mogoče popraviti. Hvala za razumevanje!

Zadnje desetletje sedanjega, dvajsetega stoletja obhajajo slovenske naselbine, slovenske cerkve in župnije, pomembne obletnice. Nekatere župnije so že obhajale stoletnico obstoja, ali pa jo še bodo. Druge obhajajo devetdesetletnico, zopet druge osemdesetletnico...

Med župnijami, ki obhajajo letos 80-letnico obstoja, je slovenska župnija Sv. Cirila in Metoda v New Yorku. Župnijsko občestvo Sv. Cirila in Me-

toda pod vodstvom župnika p. Krizologa Cimermana, OFM, pripravlja za to priliko veliko slavje.

Za visoke obletnice je navada, da je cerkev ne samo lepo okrašena, potrebna so tudi nujna popravila in morda obnova. Tega se p. Krizolog dobro zaveda in si je naložil nalo-

go, da mora biti cerkev slovenskega občestva v New Yorku za to priliko kot nevesta. P. Krizologu in njegovim župljanom in dobrotnikom želimo božjega blagoslova pri vseh prizadevanjih, patru pa zlasti zdravja.

AVE MARIA
Lemont, Ill., junij 1996

Socialdemokratska stranka Slovenije

Informacija SDS...

1. — Socialdemokrati zbrali dovolj podpisov

Socialdemokrati so v mesecu dni, pol krajšem času od razpisanega, zbrali več kot 80.000, od potrebnih 70.000 podpisov podpore pobudi za spremembo volilnega sistema in pobudi za začetek postopka za spremembo slovenske Ustave za možnost odpoklica poslanca. V parlamentu so slovesno vložili zbrane podpise in zahtevo za razpis zakonodajnega referenduma, na katerem bodo slovenski volilci odločali o predlaganem dvokrožnem večinskem volilnem sistemu, o katerem smo že pisali v prejšnjih Informacijah SDS.

Socialdemokrati so na ustavnem sodišču vložiti tudi pobudo za oceno ustavnosti odloka o razpisu zakonodajnega referenduma za volitve v državni zbor, ki ga je na predlog 35 poslancev sprejel državni zbor. Ustavno sodišče, ki je izvrševanje odloka zadržalo do končne odločitve, stoji pred zelo pomembno odločitvijo. Pritiski nasprotnikov referenduma o spremembi volilnega sistema, kot ga predlaga SDS, so izjemno veliki. Ustavno sodišče bo tako odločalo med predlogom, da se zakon o referendumu razveljavi in izniči vse zahteve, ki so že bile vložene na podlagi tega

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zakona oziroma, da se upošteva vrstni red vložnih pobud in najprej razpiše referendum, za katerega je SDS zbrala 40.000 podpisov volilcev.

2. Koalicijska pogodba le mrtva črka na papirju

Glasovanje o interpelaciji o delu in odgovornosti ministra za zunanje zadeve Zorana Thalerja (LDS) je povzročilo pravo vladno krizo, saj so poslanci Slovenskih krščanskih demokratov (SKD) glasovali za razrešitev ministra stranke, s katero so v vladajoči koaliciji. Poslanska skupina LDS je predlagala prekinitve koalicijske pogodbe, predsednik vlade in LDS dr. Janez Drnovšek pa je dejal, da naj bi takšno »politično simbolno« izraženo nezadovoljstvo zaradi glasovanja ob interpelaciji ne povzročilo tudi razpada koalicije. Dr. Drnovšek je tudi predlagal naj bi v primeru prekinitve koalicijske pogodbe nadomestil poseben sporazum, v katerem bi obe stranki (LDS in SKD) opredelili naloge, ki jih bosta izpeljali do konca mandata. Na včerajšnji (4. junija) seji pa je svet LDS sklenil, da koalicijske pogodbe s SKD ne bodo prekinili.

3. Zakon o minimalni plači zavržen

Socialdemokratska stranka je že pred več kot letom dni vložila predlog zakona o minimalni plači, katerega cilj je, da se v Sloveniji srednjeročno zakonsko uredi vprašanje minimalne plače. Socialdemokrati

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Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

1135. Pionir MZA Frank Pustotnik, ugleden

farmer v Genevi, Ohio, je umrl koncem aprila. Dolga leta sta z ženo podpirala naše misijonarje in na enem julij-skem MZA pikniku na Slovenski pristavi sta na žrebanje pripeljala mladega telička, rojenega po njenem načrtu, kot sta leto prej obljubila, nekaj tednov pred piknikom. To je bila posebnost, ki jo udeleženci piknika ne bomo nikdar pozabili. Otroci so z velikim veseljem božali in za rep vlekli telička, ki ga v mestu niso še nikdar videli.

V Westmont, Ill., je umrla v četrtek, 2. maja, ga. Marija Remec, pokopana 6. maja v Lemontu pri oo. frančiškanih, kjer je bila dolga leta pobudnica za najrazličnejše podvige. Po smrti dobre Gizele Hozjan je prevzela predsedniško mesto MZA Chicago. Predsednica Marija Jeretinova iz Joliet je bila na njenem pogrebu.

Oba priporočamo sodelujočim v MZA v molitev. Obema družinama naše iskreno sožalje! Predsednici Lavriševi za sporočilo o smrti obeh pokojnih iskrena zahvala. Gotovi smo, da je bilo na pogrebu lepo število sodelavcev MZA.

V San Franciscu, Kalif., je odšla v boljše življenje naša sodelavka, vdova Frances Krans, o kateri je obširno poročala njena prijateljica gđ. Angela Gospodarič v AD 25. aprila. Molimo za pokoj njene duše. Karmeličanke iz Sore so ravno sporočile, da se ji bodo zahvalile za njen zadnji dar samostanski družini.

Tako g. Pustotnik kot ga. Krans sta doživela bližino 90 let starosti.

Večne svete maše (Perpetual Masses)

Pred kratkim je vprašanje o njih izrazila sodelavka iz Clevelanda. Vsaka sv. maša, ki jo verniki naročijo, je v vesti opravljena po njihovem namenu, kot je dogovorjeno. Navadno v župniji, ki ji pripadajo

ali v misijonih, če tako dobrotnik želi. Dar za intencijo je določen običajno po cerkvenem vodstvu v vsaki državi: za tihe sv. maše, za oznanjene itd.

Večne sv. maše se tako imenujejo, če kdo zanje daruje določeni dar (Mass stipend) kakemu Redu, Kongregaciji, božjepotni cerkvi, kjer se mašuje pogostoma vsak dan vsaj ena sv. maša za vse, ki za večne sv. maše darujejo. Tako je vsak, za katerega je bil dar dan, deležen milosti tistih sv. maš. Tako ima npr. Miraculous Medal Association v Philadelphiji večne sv. maše, ki se opravljajo po raznih državah, kjer delujejo usmiljenke ali lazaristi, da je vsak dan zagotovljena vsaj ena sv. maša. Seveda je za take sv. maše stipendij (dar) navadno malo višji.

Gregorijanske sv. maše (samo za rajne) se pa opravljajo za celi mesec brez prekinitve in je tako ob njih obveznost za duhovnika veliko težja ter zato tudi stipendij primeroma višji. Darovi za sv. mašo so v podporo za življenje duhovnika kot npr. v Sloveniji, kjer so sedaj darovi za sv. maše višji, saj duhovniki niti za socialno zavarovanje često nimajo dovolj dohodkov po krivdi neureje-

nega razmerja med Cerkvijo in državo. Mašni stipendij pa tudi pomaga kriti stroške za hostije, vino, sveče in vse, kar je potrebno za maševanje.

Dr. Milan Pavlovčič odhaja v pokoj.

Oba sva bila 'vagonarja' in čakala čisto, ko je njegov vlak prišel iz Brezovice in moj iz Litije ali Škofje Loke, kje se bo prikazal sošolec Polde Grum iz Device Marije v Polju. Koli-kokrat sem bil v njihovem foto ateljeju na Poljanski cesti. Vsi smo hodili na klasično gimnazijo in maturirali leta 1935. Gruma so komunisti umorili. Jurist Pavlovčič je pa slovenski radio v Clevelandu pionirsko utrdil in MZA je bila vsako leto in ob raznih prireditvah vedno deležna njegovih oznanil in priporočil.

Dragi Milan, naj Ti On, ki ga oba vse življenje zelo ljubiva, povrne Tvojo dobroto, kot mi nismo sposobni. V dnevni sv. maši, ko je na moji pateni vselej vesoljna sveta Cerkev, si v božjem objemu tudi Ti s svojimi dragimi. Tudi misijonski garači ne bodo Tvoje dobrote nikdar pozabili. Uživaj še veliko lepih dni, ko boš, kot sem jaz zadnje čase, delal lahko to, kar Ti srce poželi. Upam v dobro vseh, ki si jim toliko let s slovensko in katoliško besedo služil.

V Rimu sta bila posvečena 20. aprila v diakona

Roman Globokar iz Trebnjega, ki sta ga začela podpirati leta 1992 Frances in Jože Škrjanc iz Puebla, Colorado. Leta 1993 je bil poslan nadaljevati študije v Rim v Germanik, kjer je za časa mojega lazaristovskega noviciata v Rimu študiral iz trebanjske župnije sedanji nadškof dr. Alojzij Šuštar.

Med 10 novimi diakoni iz Nemčije, Hrvaške in Madžarske je bil tudi iz koprške škofije Jože Koren, iz župnije v Vipavi, od koder se spominjam je bila moja stara mati Marija Feguč, poročena Sušteršič z Ižancem in mati moje rajne mučene mame Karoline. Obe-

ma iskrene čestitke celotne MZA!

Pri ordinaciji je bil tudi ravnatelj msgr. dr. Franc Šuštar iz Ljubljane in več njegovih sošolcev iz istega letnika v Ljubljani.

Naše iskrene čestitke naj gredo tudi župniku Johnu Kumšetu iz župnije Marije Vnebovzete v Collinwoodu, O., ki je bil izbran od Slovenskega doma na Holmes Avenue kot 'mož leta 1996'!

MZA Windsor-Detroit

misijonsko kosilo v nedeljo, 21. aprila. Takole kratko poroča naša pionirka MZA ga. Marija Grebenc 26. aprila:

»Včeraj mi je ga. Martinčičeva naročila, naj Vam jaz odpošljem denar, ki smo ga dobili v nedeljo za pomoč misijonarjem.

Ko je bilo vse pripravljeno, da bo v dvorani kosilo v ta namen, je ga. Mimi zbolela. Ker je imela v glavnem vse pripravljeno, smo šli na delo malo v strahu, vendar je bilo s skupnimi močmi le nekaj lepega uspeha.

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Ga. Mimi je nekaj dobila še na dom. Ko se ji vrne zdravje Vam bo ona vse sporočila in kar je še dobila po pošti. Ona je že od nedelje v bolnici. Prosimo Boga, da se ji zdravje kmalu povrne!

Ga. Mary Trambush je darovala za šentvidsko gimnazijo, več drugih pa za bogoslovje. Podrobno poročilo boste dobili od ge. Mimi. Lepo Vas pozdravljam in želim vse dobro. Marija Grebenc«

Za krasen uspeh vsem milijonkrat zahvaljeni! Za go. Mimi v bolnici molimo. To velja tudi MZA Cleveland za nedavno misijonsko kosilo, ko je

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bila zahvala na robu članka nenamerno spregledana. Nekdo me je prijel, 'da se niste zahvalili'. Bog ve, da na to vedno mislim.

Rev. dr. Anton Kovačič iz Belmonta, Sev. Karolina, je poslal \$100 za 1996 članstvo med prvimi 20 MZA Prijatelji Radia Ognjišča. Bog povrni!

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Informacija SDS

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so predlagali, naj bi najmanjša plača v nekaj letih dosegla 68 odstotkov povprečne plače, kar je skladno z evropsko socialno listino. Kljub temu, da so predlagatelji predstavili tudi finančno konstrukcijo predlaganih sprememb, so poslanci predlog zakona zavrnil. Proti zakonu so glasovali tudi poslanci Združene liste - nekdanji komunisti, ki si v besedah sicer zelo »prizadevajo« za izboljšanje položaja slovenskih delavcev, njihova dejanja (glasovanja) pa kažejo povsem drugačno sliko.

4. Sodišče obsodilo novinarja
SDS je ostro protestirala zoper obsodbo novinarja Bernarda Nežmaha, v kateri je jasno razpoznaven poskus represije nad kritično javno besedo v času pred državnozborskimi volitvami. Novinar je v enem izmed člankov kritično pisal o županu glavnega mesta g. Dimitriju Ruplu (LDS).

Prejeto po faxu 5. junija

KOLENDAR

JUNI

9. — Slov. šola pri Mariji Vnebovzete prireja piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Ob 12h maša, sledita kosilo in ples.

15. in 16. — Tabor DSPB ima spominsko proslavo pri Spominski kapelici na Slovenski pristavi. Maša ob 11h dop. 16. junija, v spomin na pomorjane domobrance in za žrtve v času revolucije.

23. Društvo Triglav, Milwaukee, priredi prvi piknik v Triglavskem parku.

25. — Simpozij, maša in kulturni program ob 5. obletnici deklaracije slovenske neodvisnosti, v SND na St. Clair Ave.

30. — »Slovenski dan« na Slovenski pristavi.

JULIJ

14. — Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija pripravi piknik na Slovenski pristavi, začeni sv. mašo ob 12. uri opoldne.