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13. NEDELJA MED LETOM

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13. nedelja med letom

Kdor ne vzame svojega križa ...

Teh besed ni treba razumeti samo v tem pomenu: Kristjan naj sprejema vsakdanje težave, bolezni, trpljenje, nasprotovanja ... Morda je še bolj pomembno to: Živeti kot sol zemlje in luč sveta, kot dejavni kristjani, kot dosledni Kristusovi učenci, kar je tudi svoje vrste križ, saj nikoli ne bomo popolni. Bernanos poudarja v svojem znamenitem romanu Dnevnik vaškega župnika, da Jezus ne pravi: vi ste »med« sveta, ampak vi ste »sol« zemlje.

Mnogi kristjani naravnost želijo biti čista srd sveta. Bridkost usode osladkajo s predstavo o »ljubem Bogu«, ki pa je le preveč poceni. Trdoto krivde omehčajo s skoraj strah vzbujajočo otročjo romantiko. Pekel so zbri-sali in vidijo samo še odprta nebesa. Božje kraljestvo, ki naj pride po divjih bolečinah zgodovine, si predstavljajo kot prijeten cvetlični vrt, njihova vera pa je sladek med, ki ga srkajo iz cvetov. Toda Jezus nikakor ne pravi: »Vi ste med«, ampak »vi ste sol«. Sol grize, neokrnjeno sporočilo o sodbi in milosti božji je vedno peklo in to tako zelo, da so ga ljudje zavračali in se borili proti njemu. Tudi kadar je v cerkvi, v pridigi moč soli, je vedno čutiti pekočo reakcijo. Kajti sol grize in skeli povsod, kjer imamo ljudje rane. Toda mi hočemo ozdraveti brez bolečin in razen tega ne moramo, da nas kdo spomni na ranjena mesta. Zato svet ne zahteva samo zlatih telet, ampak tudi medene bogove, da ob njih pozabi na svoje najgloblje rane.

Slabo znamenje je, če živi svet v preveč neskaljenem miru s Cerkvijo in če je kakšna verska skupnost preveč navdušena nad svojim duhovnikom. To največkrat pomeni, da ni trosil soli s prižnice. Ljudi pod prižnico ni zaskelelelo in tako so šli domov prepričani, da so zdravi, da nimajo nobenih ran in da jim je »ljubi Bog« pustil odnesti »celo kožo«. Kako nekaj zrnc soli spremeni okus velike količine juhe ali testa! Jezus Kristus, ki je najboljša sol in najboljša luč, je prišel kot luč v temo sveta. Zato bodi tudi TI zrno soli za košček zemlje, ki ti jo je Bog zaupal, in TI bodi žarek luč za svet, ki je tvoje okolje!

28. Slovenski dan na Niagari - 24. junij 2017

Res je, da po deževju vedno zopet posije sonce in to se je tudi zgodilo na Slovenski dan, preteklo soboto, 24. junija 2017, pri društvu Lipa park v St. Catharinesu. Društvo Lipa park je bil letošnji gostitelj Slovenskega dneva ob njihovem jubilejnem letu, 50 letnici delovanja. Pokrovitelj Slovenskih dnevov je Slovenski Koordinacijski Odbor Niagara, praznovanje pa je v znamenju meddruštvenega sodelovanja in obenem obeleži tako rojstni dan Republike Slovenije (25. junij) kot tudi Kanade. Prav letos Kanada 1. julija obhaja 150 letnico obstoja.

V čudovito pripravljeni dvorani je slovesno sveto mašo daroval g. župnik Drago Gačnik. Mašo so obogatili: župnijski mešani zbor, moški zbor Majolka in predstavniki slovenskih organizacij, ki so sodelovali pri branju beril, prošenj in prinašanju darov. Tudi letos je bil to čudovit začetek dneva, ki zdrušuje to slovensko skupnost.

Po ksilu, so obiskovalci zopet napolnili dvorano, kjer so si lahko ogledali zanimivo razstavo slovenskih umetnin. Ob 14. uri se je začel kulturni program s kanadsko in slovensko himno. Program sta odlišno vodile mlada zakonca Lidia in Tony Molek. Predsednik društva Lipa Park, John Reiter, je pozdravil navzoče in povabljene goste, ki so bili: Veronika Markuc, Marjan Količ, Milan Vinčec,



John Doma in Tomaž Matjašec. Sledil je pozdravni nagovor koordinatorja, nakar sta kordinator Frank Novak in gostitelj John Reiter, povabila in predstavila občinstvu pokrovitelje Slovenskega dneva, predsednike društev, ki sestavljajo Slovenski Koordinacijski Odbor Niagara: Anthony Sekli, predsednik društva Triglav, Walter Jurman, predsednik društva Sava, Mary Ann Demšar, predsednica društva Slovenski Park, Frank Gimpelj, predsednik društva Bled, Jerry Ponikvar, predsednik društva sv. Jožefa, Sandy Ferletič ravnateljica Slovenske šole, Jožica Vegelj za Kanadsko/slovensko zgodovinsko društvo in Heidy Novak, predsednica župnijskega sveta sv. Gregorija Velikega. Vsi predstavniki organizacij so prejeli spominsko plaketo za Slovenski Dan 2017. Častna govornica je bila Magdalena Razpotnik. Navzoče je še pozdravil Tomaž Matjašec, pooblaščeni minister slovenske ambasade v Ottawi.

V kulturnem programu so nastopili: Niagara Button Boxers, vodi jih Derek Uhlik; župnijski mešani zbor in moški zbor Majolka, ki ju vodi g. Drago Gačnik; Moški zbor Bled pod vodstvom Branka Pouha; Peter Kralj je navdušil na fraitonarici; za smeh in razvedrilo dneva pa so na odru zopet poskrbeli igralci Lipa parka pod vodstvom Francke Seljak.

Za zaključek je bila simbolično predana slovenska zastava koordinacije iz rok letošnjega gostitelja Lipa parka - John Reiter, predsednik - gostitelju



Slovenskega dneva 2018, slovenski župniji sv. Gregorija Velikega – zastavo je sprejela predsednica župnijskega sveta Heidy Novak : Pri sv. Gregoriju Velikem se je pred 28. leti zgodil prvi Slovenski dan. Župnija sv. Gregorija Velikega daje vsa ta leta največji doprinos k meddru-štvenemu sodelovanju. G. župnik Drago Gačnik je z svojim vsestranskim delovanjem rdeča nit te dobre volje ne samo na ta dan, ampak skozi vse leto, za kar je bil znova deležen navdušenega priznanja rojakov v tej slovenski skupnosti.

V imenu gostitelja Lipa parka, je John Reiter dodal sklepno misel in se zahvalil obiskovalcem in svojim sodelavcem za brezhibno organizacijo dneva. Pri tem je upravičeno izpostavil dve ključni sodelavki: Francko Seljak in Sue Augustin, za njun izreden doprinos v jubilejnem letu društva in še zlasti za pripravo in izvedbo Slovenskega dneva 2017.

Po kulturnem programu je sledila otroška olimpiada pod vodstvom Linde in Ashley Reiter, letos na posebno zanimiv način. Za ples in razvedrilo je rojake zabaval ansambel Šibaj.

Čeprav ima Slovenski dan na Niagari bogato tradicijo, se bo moral v bodoče vse bolj prilagajati novim razmeram, ki narekujejo vsem slovenskim organizacijam potrebo, da pritegne k sodelovanju še zlasti drugo in tretjo generacijo rojakov na tem območju.

Frank Novak





SLOVENIAN CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

"The Foundation was established to encourage youth of Slovenian descent to pursue academic excellence in post-secondary college and/or university studies and to encourage them to exemplify pride in their rich Slovenian cultural roots and traditions as Canadian citizens in leadership roles of the future." (Mission Statement)

The **2017 Scholarship/Bursary Application Form** is now available for eligible candidates. A paper copy can be obtained from St. Gregory the Great Parish, Bled Hall or Lipa Park. If you need further information, or a downloaded copy of the application form, please contact Teresa Zupančič, Slo./Can. Board Member at 905-930-7545 or at t_zupancic@hotmail.com. The deadline for submission is September 8th, 2017.

All **scholarships** and **bursaries** will be awarded at **St. Gregory's Fall Banquet on Sunday, September 24, 2017**. We hope to see everyone there to celebrate the achievements of our youth.

Please note:

Memorial Donation Cards for the Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation are now available in three funeral homes: Donald Brown in Stoney Creek, Smith's Funeral Home in Stoney Creek and Markey-Dermody Funeral Home in Hamilton. We hope to include Patrick J. Darte Funeral Chaoel in St. Catharines in the next coming month. If you have any questions regarding the donation cards, please contact the funeral director at the above – mentioned funeral homes, or contact Irene Glavač-Petrič, Slo./Can. Board Member at 905-379-3667 or

at glavacpetric@gmail.com.

Thank you again for your ongoing support!

Board Members

Karl Ferko (Chair), Jerry Ponikvar, Ed Kodarin, Teresa Zupančič, Rosemary Pavlič, John Doma, John Krajnc, Irene Glavač-Petrič, Frank Gimpelj



Ta teden je Toni Franc podrl suho drevo, ki je bilo pri vhodu iz ceste na parkirišče, poleg tega pa tudi nekaj suhih vej na drugih drevesih.



V nedeljo, 25. junija 2017, se je šest naših parov, ki letos praznujejo razne obletnice porok, pridružilo 457 parom v hamiltonski katedrali, da so skupaj s škofom Douglasom Crosbyjem in nekaterimi duhovniki, obhajali sveto mašo in obnovili svojo zvestobo. Slovesna sveta maša se je začelo ob 1:30 popoldne. Škof Douglas je med homilijo, tokrat je kar sedel pri svojem stolu, poudaril pomen pričevanja, ki ga zakonci dajejo drugim s tem, ko zvesto živijo svoj zakon. Ob koncu maše so vsi prejeli certifikate. Potem pa smo se še skupaj in posamezno poslikali, da bo ostal tudi foto spomin. Naši pari so bili naslednji: (od leve proti desni - zgoraj) Viktor in Olga Glavač, Terezija in Ignac Sarjaš, Ivan in Marija Miketič, Ante in Rozalija Čule, Lojzka in Frank Novak, Drago in Marianne Horvat.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Response: Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.

First Reading 2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16

In response to a couple who generously provide him with food and lodging, the prophet Elisha promises that, despite their advanced years, they will soon have the son they have longed for.

Second Reading Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

In baptism we joined Christ in his death, and so we will join him in his risen life and be alive in him for ever.

Gospel Matthew 10:37-42

Following Jesus means taking up the cross; a reward awaits those who welcome his disciples.

"Anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it."

Illustration

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Lutheran pastor and theologian, is one of the Christian heroes of the last century. In his native land, he argued strenuously against Adolf Hitler's euthanasia programme and his genocidal attack on the Jews. Because of this opposition, Bonhoeffer was imprisoned and later sent to a concentration camp. He was executed by the Nazis towards the end of the war. The doctor who was present at his execution recorded how he was moved by the calm and prayerful spirit in which the heroic pastor faced death.

In 1937 Bonhoeffer had written a book called, in its English translation, *The Cost of*

Discipleship, which has become a modern spiritual classic. In it he warns against the notion of "cheap grace", which he describes as "grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ". The "cheap grace" approach emphasises the more attractive and consoling aspects of Christianity, with little or no reference to the demands made upon those who follow Christ. Bonhoeffer insists that to leave out the difficult aspects of Christianity – such as repentance, discipline, confession, discipleship, the cross – is to offer an incomplete version, a "cheap" version, of God's grace and of discipleship.

Gospel Teaching

Bonhoeffer's views reflect what we've heard from Jesus today. He makes no bones about it: following him will make demands of us, for he must be the centre of our life, no matter what the cost. By way of extreme example, he insists that even the most precious relationships, such as those between children and parents, must not be allowed to come between us and him. Of course, this does not mean that the bonds of love within a family are of no importance. On the contrary, they are of supreme importance, and yet we cannot allow even these to become a barrier between us and our duty to God.

We need only think of the English martyr St Thomas More. He was an outstanding family man. When he was imprisoned for refusing to take the oath that would have acknowledged King Henry VIII as head of the Church in England, his wife and his beloved daughter, Meg, pleaded with him to find some way of saving his life and being able to return home. He wrestled with his conscience but knew that he must remain faithful to the Lord. Only in that way, he assured his family, would they all "one day meet merrily in heaven". More's words serve as a reminder that if the first part of today's Gospel

insists that we are called to put God first, the second part assures us that our efforts will never go unrewarded. Those who welcome a prophet, or offer help to any of the "little ones", even if it's only by offering "a cup of cold water", will receive their reward. Those who serve their sisters and brothers in need are in fact welcoming Jesus and, in welcoming him, welcoming the one who sent him, the Father in heaven.

Application

There is no such thing as cheap grace. It should not surprise us that in following one who took up his cross there will inevitably be something of the cross in our lives too. It is always a costly business to live in a truly Christian way; at times it makes painful demands on us that go against our instinctive desires; it sometimes makes us feel that we are out of step with the rest of humanity, that we are losing out on life. But Jesus makes an extraordinary promise: "anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it". Whatever the apparent losses, the profits will be immeasurably greater.

No one makes the point more powerfully than St Paul. Writing to a group of Christians within twenty years or so of Jesus' death and resurrection, he draws a powerful contrast between what Christian living might look like to an outsider and what it is in reality. Though the unbelieving world, he says, may regard us as only half alive, we are in fact fully alive – alive with a sharing in the very life of the risen Christ; we are not sad, joyless individuals, but rather we are always rejoicing, with the deep-down joy of the Gospel that nothing can take away; we may seem to be poor, in fact we are incredibly rich; it may look as though following Christ we're left with nothing: in fact it is we who possess everything.



PRAYER FOR THE CONSECRATION OF CANADA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**Mary our Mother,
May the Cross of your Son,
Planted on Canadian soil
and in Canadian hearts,
Be known as the Tree of Life,
whose fruit is visible and available
to all in the garden of this world.**

**We place our country Canada
in the sanctuary of your Holy Heart
for we know that there
we will find Jesus,
who lives and reigns with the Fa-
ther in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.**

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- 2. julij: Slovenski park - Maša in procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi ob 1:00 p.m.
- 2. julij: LIPA PARK - 50th ANNIVERSARY
- 15. julij: Triglav - Picnic
- 22. julij: Slovenski park - Pečenkafest - Golden Keys
- 23. julij: Bled - Proščenje/Picnic: Maša ob 12:30 pm
- 6. avgust: Lipa park - Music in the Park - 50th picnic
- 6. avgust: Slovenski park - Bocce ball Tournament - Mass - 1:00 p.m.
- 8. do 11. avgust: St. Gregory the Great - DAY CAMP
- 19. avgust: Triglav - Picnic - Band: »Novi spomini«
- 20. avgust: Sava-Breslau - Maša 1:00 p.m., picnic
- 26. avgust: Sv. Jožef - Bocce Tournament

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠATA

- ◆ 2. julij, 10:00 a.m.: Vera Gonza in Theresa Pučko
- ◆ 9. julij, 10:00 a.m.: Aranka in Danny Dundek
- ◆ 16. julij, 10:00 a.m.: Jožica Groznik in Milena Volčanšek
- ◆ 23. julij, 10:00 a.m.: Toni in Marija Franc
- ◆ 30. julij, 10:00 a.m.: Jožica Hapke
- ◆ 6. avgust, 10:00 a.m.: Jože in Albina Antolin
- ◆ 13. avgust, 10:00 a.m.: Ante in Rozalija Čule
- ◆ 20. avgust, 10:00 a.m.: Jožica Groznik in Milena Volčanšek
- ◆ 27. avgust, 10:00 a.m.: Eva Erzetič in Jožica Vegelj

BARAGOVI DNEVI: 2. IN 3. SEPT. 2017

Letošnji Baragovi dnevi so predvideni za »Long weekend« v septembru (2. in 3.) in sicer v kraju Grand Rapids, Michigan. Kdor se zanima, naj prosim, pokliče Terezijo Sarjaš 905-560-1218 ali Vero Gonza 905-560-0089. Avtobus je poln, sprejemamo pa za čakalno listo, če bi kdo odpovedal. Cena romanja je: 100 kanadskih in 130 ameriških dolarjev. Plačati je potrebno najkasneje do 15. avgusta. Sprejemamo pa tudi darove za Baragov sklad.

LIPA PARK - BANKET OB 50. LETNICI

Danes popoldne bo pri društvu Lipa park veliko slavje, saj obhajajo 50. letnico društva. Vrata bodo odprta že ob 11:00 a.m., slovesno kosilo se začne ob 1:00 pm., ob 2:30 p.m. pa sledi program nato ples in zabava ob dobrji jedači in pijači. Vabljeni!

POROKA

V soboto, 8. julija 2017, se bosta v naši cerkvi poročila nevesta Mila Franciska Ferko, hči Karla Ferka in Joanne (roj. Bruculeri) in ženin Marcio Mendes Miranda, sin Davida in Silvie (roj. Mendes).

DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za misijone sta Toni in Marija Franc darovala \$100.

Za gradbeni sklad (streho) je darovala \$100 Terezija Jerič.

Ob smrti Johna Biondicha sto namesto cvetja na grob darovali za gradbeni skla:

\$150 Frank in Slavka Mramor

\$100 Victoria Colby (Mramor).

Hvala vsem za vaše darove, Bog vam povrni!

ST. JOSEPH SOCIETY BOCCE TOURNAMENT

St. Joseph Society Bocce tournament will be held Saturday, **August 26th at 10 AM – Villa Slovenia.** Registration is \$12.00 or Lunch only is \$8.00.

Tournament is open to all members, potential members, & Slovenian youth, 14 years and up. Each team will be comprised of 4 members. This year, you may create your own team by entering 1, 2, 3 or 4. If less than 4 are entered, we will add to complete the foursome.

Registration for tournament and lunch attendees is to be accompanied with full payment to **Tony ferko** (289-253-4804) or **Jerry Ponikvar** (905-333-5813).

DRUŠTVO BLED - PROŠČENJE

V nedeljo, 23. julija 2017, bo pri društvu Bled proščenje-žegnanje s piknikom. Začeli bomo s sveto mašo ob 1:00 p.m. pri kapelici (če bo vreme dopuščalo). Pri maši bo pel »Oktet Bled«. Popoldne pa vas bo zabaval ansambel.

POKOJNI

LENARČIČ, FRANK Born in Slovenia on October 5, 1938, a son of the late Frank and Anna (nee Morel) Lenarčič, Frank passed away in Meaford on Thursday June 29, 2017 at the age of 78. He was predeceased by his wife Erika (Zelko) and will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by his dear friend Elsie Smith of Meaford. Frank was the loved father of Joanne Skobronski of Grimsby, Cathy Pye and her fiancé Dal Petrin of Stoney Creek and Robert Lenarcic of Nepean and he will be remem-

bered also by their mother Ann Lenarčič. He is also survived by his stepchildren Linda Levonik of Alberta, Joey Zelko of Vancouver, Peter Zelko also of B.C. and David Zelko of Hamilton and he will be remembered also by their families. A brother Edvard Lenarčič and his wife Helen and nephew Edvin, all of Slovenia, also survive Frank. Cremation has taken place and a private family disposition of his ashes will take place at a later date.

DAY CAMP 2017

Well, it's that time again when we have to start planning and arranging for summer activities. Our Slovenian summer day camp is scheduled from **August 8 to the 11th, 2017.**

We invite all kids to come out and participate in our camp and welcome high school students to help out while they get their volunteer hours. The registration fee will be the same as last year \$75 per camper.

We have a lot of activities planned, along with an acrobatic group coming from Slovenia named Flip.

For information and to register please contact **Heidy Novak** by email: novakh@sympatico.ca or on cell at 905-317-6002.

So parents grandparents aunts and uncles call your kids, get registered and get ready for a good week of fun at our annual summer day camp.



DON BOSCO

SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Ponedeljek/Monday – Petek/Friday: 7:00 P.M. Sobota/Saturday: 8:00 A.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian 5:30 P.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian - Nedelja/Sunday: 9:30 A.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian - 11:00 A.M. – angleška / in English **KRSTI / BAPTISMS:** Po dogovoru, prijava 1 mesec prej. - For an app't, call one month before. **POROKE / MARRIAGE:** Prijava eno leto prej. / For an app't, call one year before the wedding date. **SPOVED / CONFESSIONS:** Vsak prvi petek ob 6:00 P.M. / First Friday of the month 6-7:00 P.M. (or by appointment) **BOLNIKI** - Sporočite, če je kdo bolan ali bolnišnici, da ga obiščemo. You are welcome to call for a personal conversation (person counselling) with your priest – please call during business hours for an appointment. Tel: 905-561-5971.

Od 2. 7. 2017
Do 9. 7. 2017

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

13. NEDELJA MED LETOM 2. JULIJ <i>Frančišek, redovnik Izseljenska nedelja</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Sorodniki in prijatelji † Jože Vuk, obl. †† Jože in Francka Pust † Tončka Demšar †† Janko in Veronika Broz †† Matija Vlašič in Metod Kuzma	10:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	Vera Gonza z družino Marija Hočevar Družina Pust Družini Demšar-Scarcelli Toni Kuzma z družino Jožica Vlašič z družino
PONEDELJEK-MONDAY 3. JULIJ <i>Tomaž, apostol</i>	†† Sorodniki iz družine Šemen † Ignac Korošec V čast sv. Duhu	7:00 P.M.	Družina Šemen Martin in Regina Nedelko Ana Tadič
TOREK - TUESDAY 4. JULIJ <i>Urh (Uroš), škof</i>	†† Za duše v vicah	8:00 A.M.	Tone in Marija Bukvič
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 5. JULIJ <i>Ciril in Metod, slov.ap.</i>	† Metod Kuzma † Ivan Zupanči, obl. † Po namenu	7:00 P.M.	Sestra Jožica Vlašič z druž. Žena z družino KZZ-CWL
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 6. JULIJ <i>Marija Goretti, muč.</i>	†† Katarina in Vinko Antolin Po namenu	7:00 P.M.	Sin Štefan z družino Ana Tadič
PRVI PETEK FIRST FRIDAY 7. JULIJ <i>Vilibald, škof</i>	†† Za duše v vicah † Tony Letnik, obl. Za zdravje	7:00 P.M.	Toni in Marija Bukvič Žena Anica N.N.
SOBOTA SATURDAY 8. JULIJ <i>Gregor Grassi, škof</i>	Po namenu Poročna maša - za srečo v zakonu †† Katarina in Vinko Antolin † Matija Vlašič † Ignac Korošec †† Venci in Marija Ferenčak † Jože Uduč	8:00 A.M. 12:00 NOON 5:30 P.M.	N.N. Mila Ferko-Marcio Miranda Družina Čule Družina Fabina Ana in Zolta Gergyek Martin in Regina Nedelko Žena z družino
14. NEDELJA MED LETOM 9. JULIJ <i>Avguštin, mučenec</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane † Olga Balažic † Albina Baznik	10:00 A.M.	Janez Lovrenčec Mož z družino