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4. NEDELJA

MED LETOM

4[™] SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jezus uči na gori

Gora, s katere se je Jezus učil, je novi Sinaj. Na njej je utemeljil zakone, ki veljajo v novem kraljestvu. Določil je značaj kristjana. »Veste, da tisti, ki veljajo za vladarje poganov, dajejo čutiti svoje gospostvo in da si njihovi velikaši lastijo oblast nad ljudmi. Med vami pa ne tako, ampak kdor hoče postati velik med vami, naj bo vaš strežnik, in kdor hoče biti med vami prvi, naj bo vsem služabnik« (Mr 10,42-43).

Z blagri pa je Jezus preoblikoval svet. Ostri in življenjski nadomeščajo svetna merila. Razumemo jih, ko si prikličemo njiihovo nasprotje. Namesto ubogih v duhu spoštuje ošabneže. Namesto žalujočih povsod srečujemo veseljake, lahkomiselneže. Nasprotje krotkih so oblastniki. Vsakdo skrbi le zase in povsod sklepa kompromise, da se izogne nasprotovanju.

Blagri pa niso le spremenili vsakdanjih navad. Z njimi je Jezus tudi dopolnil Mojzesovo postavo. To niso »načela«, so uresničenje ljubezni, luč, ki bo razsvetila temo zgodovine greha. Odkrivajo nam resnično veselje.

Časopisi, ki prinašajo podobe iz vsakdanjosti, iščejo in odkrivajo ljudi, ki so resnično srečni. K materi, ki se veseli otrokove ozdravitve, h kirurgu, ki ga ponoči pokličejo v pomoč hudo ranjenemu, lahko uvrstimo tudi svetnika, ki z delom in molitvijo časti Boga. Vsi ti uresničujejo resnico blagrov. Veselje in zadovoljstvo obstajata, ko in dokler ju delimo, ko udejanjamo blagre v vsakdanjih skrbeh in pričakovanjih. In še nekaj: Kristus bo dopolnil, kjer bomo mi omagali!

Koliko ljudi danes Jezus blagruje! Kristjane dan za dnem zapirajo v podzemne temnice; resnico tirani utope v krvi. Jezus zahteva potrpežljivo v preizkušnjah in veselje, ko pridemo v težave. Vendar pa ni blagrovano sleherno preganjanje. Pogosto smo mi sami nestrpni, oblastniški in zato tudi tepeni. Obstajati morajo pravi razlogi: Zaradi pravice, zaradi Kristusa ... Tedaj Jezus pričakuje, da bomo potrpeli in ostali stanovitni. Svoje svarilo je pogosto ponovil in končno dopolnil v križu, ki je bil nenavadna zapuščina učencem: preluknjana z žeblji in dvignjena na bruno.



All proceeds to the St. Gregory the Great Building Fund - Roof Replacement



Invite your Family Invite your Friends Invite your Neighbours





Friends Games Fun Food Bucket Toss 50-50 Raffle **Dart Poker** Toonie Toss Joker Poker Corn Hole Toss Bingo



Saturday, February 11, 2017 6:30 p.m. St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall

A family oriented event of fun and games A great way to get re-acquainted with your friends and support

The Future of St. Gregory the Great Parish, our Slovenian Church and Cultural Community

- Do you want our Parish Community to be here in 10 years?
- Do you have any memorable moments that were made at St. Gregory the Great Parish?
- Do you have any friends from your childhood experiences here at St. Gregory's?
- Do you have any memories of your experiences at St. Gregory's that you have ever shared with your children?
- Do your children have any memories from St. Gregory the Great Parish?

If you answered **YES** to any one of these questions, your **input and support is necessary** to help ensure our community's future.

Your parish council has spent countless hours in **serious discussion about the future** of our Faith based, social and cultural community. As times change and the world evolves around us, we realize that perhaps **we too need to make a few changes** to stay current and fulfill the needs and desires of our members.

As families grow older, know that we are always here to support you spiritually. As family life gets busier, we can provide you with a calm environment where families can get away from hectic schedules. As lives get complicated, know that this is a place

where you can build life long relationships, come together and share a story or two, or give each other the gift of friendship.

But ... in order to do this, we need your help! We need your suggestions and fresh ideas on how to ensure that our community is a current one.

These are **difficult questions** that need to be asked and we hope that you are willing to share your thoughts and ideas with us. **We need to hear what you think are the pros and cons** of our community, and where you think we need to make some changes.

Yes, some of these things may be hard to hear, but this conversation is a necessary one. Along with this conversation, **we also need people to step forward** and lend a hand a time or two.

If you have any suggestions or ideas, or if you are willing to help out in any way, we urge you to **contact us** by email at: <u>slovenianstrong@gmail.com</u> or by telephone at: 905-561-5971.

We welcome everyone's input!

Remember,

- the time to act is now,
- the time to make a difference is now,
- the time to ensure our Slovenian community lives on is now!

BLED - KOLINE

V nedeljo, 22. januarja 2017, so se na Bledu zbrali k že tradicionalnim kolinam in »bujti« repi. Vreme je bilo še kar dobro, brez senga, malo vzodnega vetra, ki je ohladil, vsekakor pa ne preslabo za ta čas. Poleg krvavic na mizi, so si jih mnogi priskrbeli tudi za doma, tako, da so v kuhinji že v petek in soboto, morali pripraviti kar lepo zalogo belih in krvavih klobas. Duo »Pavlič Brian« je poskrbel za dobro glasbo, tako, da so se lahko po kosilu tudi zavrteli in zaplesali. Vmes so izžrebali srečne dobitnike, za dobitke pa je večinoma prispevala »Moja Financial« slovenska kreditna banka. To isto nedeljo so imeli koline in kulturni dan tudi v društvu Lipa park.



























DOGODKI V TEDNU PRED NAMI

V torek je praznik **sv. Janeza Boska**, ustanovitelja Salezijanske družbe.

V sredo zvečer imajo **mesečno srečanje članice Katoliške ženske zveze** (CWL) - pomembno srečanje, samo dober mesec pred Bazarjem. Vse članice vabljene, da se dogovorite za podrobnosti in pomoč.

V četrtek je praznik **Gospodovega darovanja**, ali S**večnica**. Na začetku maše bomo blagoslovili sveče. Kdor bi jih rad kupil, bodo zadaj na mizici v atriju. Po maši ima vaje mešani pevski zbor. Pojemo v nedeljo, 5. februarja.

V petek je **prvi petek** v mesecu in god svetega **Blaža**, zavetnika za bolezni v grlu. Med mašo boste lahko prejeli blagoslov svetega Blaža.

Končno je prišla januarska številka Ognjišča. Naročniki ga lahko vzamete v zakristiji.

V preteklem tednu so članice KŽZ pridno nadaljevale z izdelavo »nudeljcev« za Bazar. Kar precej dela je, to veste, ki ste jih kdaj delali. So pa res dobri v juhi in vsi kupljeni se lahko »skrijejo«.









PAVLE RAVNOHRIB





Financial Planning / Investment Seminar

Hosted by Stan Konda, financial planner

"Focusing on Financial Security & Readiness"

Topics & Speakers include ...

- ♦ A discussion on 6 common mistakes retirees/investors make with their finances...and how to avoid them!
- ♦ The importance of updated wills and power of attorneys...and provide a discussion on common mistakes to AVOID when preparing them.
- Special guest speaker Michael Evans. Regional Vice President with Mackenzie Investments will provide an update on the market today and opportunities for Year 2017 and beyond. With over 27 years of investment experience...he is highly respected and a popular speaker in the business community.
- Wilmot George, vice president, tax, retirement and estate planning for CI Investments Inc. will be addressing Tax Changes affecting Canadians in Year 2017, especially what EVERY Canadian needs to know about the rule changes on the Principal Residence Exemption for Canadian home owners.
- Are you fed up with low paying GICs, term deposits and Canada Savings Bonds offered by credit unions and banks?...then come and learn about certain investment funds which could potentially offer higher returns, as well as SAVE TAX on your investment returns.

DATE: Sunday, FEBRUARY 05, 2017

<u>TIME</u>: 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

PLACE: 125 Centennial Parkway North, Hamilton, Ont.

(in the Hall of St. Gregory the Great Slovenian Church)

RSVP: Stan Konda at (905) 624-8069 or email at <u>stan@kondafinancial.com</u> (website: kondafinancial.com)

At the conclusion of the seminar - Prizes give away including dinner certificates. Toronto Raptors Tickets and much more ... Coffee and dessert will also be served!

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with mutual fund investments. Mutual funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. Please read the prospectus before investing. Mutual Funds are provided by Equity Associates Inc. a Mutual Fund Dealer. All other products and services other than mutual funds are provided through Konda Financial'. This seminar is sponsored in part by Mackenzie Investments and Fidelity Investments Canada.

4TH SUNDAY IN OT

Response: Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heavens is theirs.

First Reading Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Like many prophets, Zephaniah stresses the need for people to seek out the Lord, to heed his word and to become a humble people.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God chose those who are deemed weak in the eves of the world to be God's own.

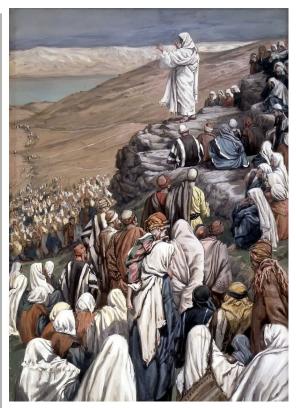
Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus outlines those to whom the kingdom of God belongs, including those who are poor in spirit, the merciful, those who mourn and those who hunger and thirst for what is right.

"Theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Illustration

Robert Browning's poem "How They Brought the Good News from Ghent to Aix" tells how three riders set out on horseback to bring news to the city of Aix, or Aachen, that would save it from its fate. The rhythm of the poem suggests haste on galloping horses. The narrator (one of the riders) lists the names of places they ride through at speed. There is tragedy, though. Two horses die from exhaustion; one within sight of the destination. Only the narrator and his horse survive to pass on the allimportant message. The horse is rewarded with the last measure of the wine that they brought with them, and all agree that this "was no more than his due, who brought good news from Ghent". The poem ends, and it is only then that we realise we have not been told what the news was.



Gospel Teaching

Once Matthew's Gospel gets fully under way, there is much mention of "the Good News". Jesus proclaims that the kingdom of God is at hand, and that people should repent and believe the Good News, but we are not really told what this Good News actually is. Jesus next challenges Simon and Andrew, James and John, to stop what they are doing and follow him. They are not told where they are going. So far, like the reader of the Browning poem, there is a building sense of excitement, but no detail about the Good News. The Gospel then gives a summary of Jesus' activity. He preaches in synagogues, he heals sick people; this does begin to sound like Good News for those involved, but we suspect there must be more to come – and this is the point we reach in today's Gospel.

Now we begin to understand the scope of the Good News. It is outlined in full in the Sermon on the Mount, which Jesus now preaches: his first of five public sermons spread throughout the Gospel of Matthew. Today's passage consists of the famous introduction, which we know as the Beatitudes. These sayings constitute one of the most familiar of all Gospel passages. It is used in the liturgy of the Church more than any other Gospel text, covering a surprising range from ordinary Sundays and weekdays to major seasons, from funerals to weddings, and on a variety of commemorations, sacramental ceremonies and saints' days. It's the first passage in the Gospel of Matthew to give a clear indication of what Jesus means by the Good News.

The scene is set in a very formal way. The one who proclaims the Good News assumes the guise of an authoritative teacher. In New Testament times, teachers simply sat down in an open space and began to teach. Their ability as teachers was reflected in the size of the audience that gathered round to listen to them. Matthew says that Jesus saw a large crowd (presumably waiting for him), and he sat down and taught them. In the Beatitudes, he makes plain what the Good News consists of: it is the possession of the kingdom of heaven. This is stressed at both the beginning and the end of the list: the kingdom of heaven belongs to those who are poor in spirit, and to those who are persecuted in the cause of right.

Application

Jesus may well have been the first person ever to declare clearly to whom the kingdom of heaven belongs; he is certainly the first (and only) person who spelled out the qualification for membership. Not only does the kingdom belong to those who are poor in spirit and those who are persecuted for standing up for what is right: it is found among

those who mourn, those who hunger and thirst for what is right, who are merciful, pure in heard.

The Good News is that the kingdom of God is at hand. Jesus turned word into action when he cured sick people, cleansed lepers, forgave sinners; that is when he made the words of the Beatitudes a concrete reality for those whose lives were broken. It is Good News that the values of God are here for humans to share. In Jesus' final sermon in Matthew, in the last judgement parable, he tells his followers that however they behaved towards the least of his brothers and sisters is the way they behaved to Christ himself. We may hear the Good News; but how well do we live it out and share it with others?

SAVA - BRESLAU: KULTURNI PRAZNIK

Slovensko društvo Sava vabi vse člane in prijatelje, da se nam, **12. februarja 2017**, pridružite na **praznovanju Prešernovega dne**, ki je največji slovenski kulturni praznik.

Ob 12:00h se bomo zbrali v društveni dvorani k sveti maši - vodil jo bo g. Drago Gačnik. Po maši bo kosilo in nato, okrog 2:00 p.m. kulturni program. Gost kulturnega programa bo, slovenski igralec in posnemovalec dr. Franceta Prešerna, Pavle Ravnohrib.

Obeta se nam prijetno, družabno in kulturno popoldne. Razveselimo se vsi skupaj in ohranjajmo naše kulturne korenine.

Cena kosila je \$16.00 po osebi, za mladino \$10.00, za otroke do 12 leta pa je brezplačno.

Za rezervacijo kosila pokličite Zinko Mirt na telefonsko številko 519-884-6194 ali Angelo Prilesnik na številko 519-579-8620.

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

Naslednje pevske vaje bodo v četrtek, 2. februarja, ko je tudi praznik Jezusovega darovanja -SVEČNICA. Zbor bo pel v nedeljo 5. februarja.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- 11. februar: St. Gregory the Great Fundraiser event - »Raise the Roof«
- 12. februar: Sava-Breslau Prešernov kulturni dan z mašo, kosilom in kulturnim programom; Triglav-London - maša ob 4:00 p.m. v cerkvi St. John the Divine
- 13. februar: **Bled** Family Day Lunch
- 25. februar: St. Gregory the Great Pustovanje
- 5. marec: CWL -St. Gregory the Great Letni Bazar

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠATA

- ◆ 29. januar, 9:30 a.m.: Ignac & Terezija Kolenko
- ◆ 5. februar, 9:30 a.m.: Thomas in Alenka Košir

CWL KŽZ

Our monthly general meeting will be held this Wednesday, February 1st, 2017 immediately following 7 pm mass. Location will be determined at that time. We are one month away from Bazaar, final preparations must be made. This is when we need the help of all our members in some way. Please attend our meeting.

CWL Blue Lottery tickets will be available for pick up and purchase at the beginning and end of all Sunday masses. Our kind request to all members is that they each take 5 booklets and try to sell them. We hope our parishioners will support and participate in our ticket sales by purchasing them. They are \$5/ for 10 tickets. **All money raised from**

selling these lottery tickets go directly to our parish. Please support our CWL BLUE LOTTERY TICKET fundraising effort.

Strudel will be made on Wednesday, Feb 1st. Advance orders can be placed with VERA GONZA at 905-560 0089 by the end of the day, Sunday, January 29.

Thank you to those members who have paid their 2017 membership fees.
Outstanding membership fees can be given directly to Pamela or Milena or placed into Sunday masses collection baskets. Please continue your support, renew your membership, non members ... come join us! Become a member. Let us continue our 48 years tradition ... we need an infusion of new people, fresh ideas and helping hands to continue successfully. Your membership and help are very important to us and our community.

PRVI PETEK

Ta teden je prvi petek v februarju. Čez dan bom obiskal bolnike, zavečer ob šestih pa bo v cerkvi izpostavljeno Najsvetejše, obenem pa boste imeli priložnost za zakrament sprave, osebno in skupno molitev.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu februarju bo večna luč gorela za pokojnega Franka Novaka, po namenu žene Romane.

DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad so darovali:

- \$500 John in Marija Krenos z družino v spomin na pokojnega brata Karla.
 - \$150 Eva Lukšič.
 - \$50 Elizabeta Gerič

CANADIAN SLOVENIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

13TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DOM LIPA BOARD ROOM 52 Neilson Dr. Toronto, ON M9C 1V7

We are inviting all members and friends of the CSHS to attend the 13th Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday, February 11th 2017, starting with registration and refreshments at 9:30 a.m. The executive members of the Board will present reports of the activities held during the past year. You will have the opportunity to meet new Board members and volunteers and visit the Archives office.

Join us and help us to preserve the history of Canadian Slovenians. We appreciate your interest in the CSHS, as well as your comments and your suggestions. - ALL WELCOME!

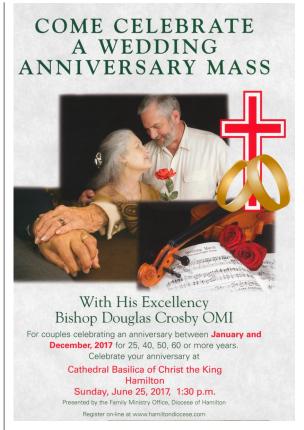
KANADSKO SLOVENSKO ZGOD. DRUŠTVO

TRINAJSTI REDNI LETNI OBČNI ZBOR

V DOMU LIPA, BOARD ROOM 52 Neilson Dr. Toronto, ON M9C 1V7

Vabimo vse člane in prijatelje KSZD, da se udeležite trinajstega letnega občnega zbora, ki se bo vršil v soboto 11. februarja 2017 v spodnjih prostorih Doma Lipe (Board Room), pričenši z registracijo in prigrizkom ob 9:30 zjutraj. Člani izvršnega odbora vam bodo predstavili poročila o delu v preteklem letu. Ob tej priložnosti se boste lahko srečali z novimi člani odbora in prostovoljci KSZD ter si ogledali Arhivsko pisarno.

Pridružite se nam in nam pomagajte ohranjati zgodovino kanadskih Slovencev. Zelo so cenineni vaši nasveti in pripombe. VSI ste DOBRODOŠLI!



Vsi, ki letos obhajate pomembne obletnice porok, ste v nedeljo, 25. junija 2017, vabljeni k zahvalni sveti maši v katedralo-baziliko Kristusa kralja.

Pričetek maša bo ob 1:30 p.m..

Na oglasni deski imate listič, ki ga izpolnite in pošljete na označeni naslov, najkasneje do 1. junija 2017.

Za več informacij lahko pokličete škofijo: 905-528-7988 Ext. 2249.



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 v 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 29. 1. 2017 Do 05. 2. 2017

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

4. NEDELJA MED LETOM 29. JANUAR Valerij, škof	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Martha in Anton Ritlop † Tončka Demšar, obl.	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Terezija in Ignac Kolenko Družini Demšar-Scarcelli
PONEDELJEK-MONDAY 30. JANUAR Martina, mučenka	V čast Materi Božji	7:00 р.м.	A.T.
TOREK - TUESDAY 31. JANUAR <i>Janez Bosko, ust. Salez.</i>	†† Urška, Ivan in Marko Borštnik † Lyn Lobo	8:00 a.m.	Družina Klepec Mother
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 1. FEBRUAR Brigita Irska, opatinja	† Gerda Žekš	7:00 р.м.	CWL - KŽZ
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 2. FEBRUAR SVEČNICA - Jezusovo darovanje	†† Marija in Jože Kuzma † Matija Vlašič † Zdravko Troha	7:00 р.м.	Toni in Katica Kuzma Toni in Katica Kuzma Danica Maradin
PRVI PETEK FIRST FRIDAY 3. FEBRUAR Blaž, škof-mučenec	†† Za duše v vicah † Slavko Slobodnik † Lyn Lobo † Neža Erzetič	7:00 р.м.	Tone in Marija Bukvič Marija Plevel z družino Mother Manja Erzetič
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 4. FEBRUAR Leon, mučenec Gilbert, Redovni ustan.	Po namenu † Irma Gerič †† Joe in Ruth Benc † Zofija Ferenčak † August Žalik †† Janez in Neža Kodrič, obl.	8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	N.N. Marija Glavač Vinko in Magda Benc Lojze Ferenčak z družino Lojze Ferenčak z družino Hči Štefka Eržen
5. NEDELJA MED LETOM 5. FEBRUAR Agata, devica-mučenka	Za žive in rajne župljane † Štefka Rihar †† Franc in Vera Paulin †† Štefan in Verona Prša	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mož Družina Košir Jože in Marija Magdič