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**31. NEDELJA
MED LETOM**

**31ST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY
TIME**

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ŽELJE IN DEJANJA

V dolgem modrostnem razmišljanju o izhodu iz Egipta, ki obsega devet poglavij (od 11. do 19.) tega bisera grške-judovske literature iz egiptovske Aleksandrije, to je Knjige modrosti, obstaja čudovit odstavek o nepremagljivi božji ljubezni do ustvarjenih bitij, tudi če so grešna. Bog, čeprav ima pred sabo celotno vesolje kot drobcen prašek ali kapljico rose, pripravljeno, da izgine (22. v.), ima usmiljenje z vsem in vsem odpušča (23. v.). V teoriji je takšna vseobsegajoča božja ljubezen opredeljena tako: vse stvari obstajajo zaradi božjega hotenja in se v svojem obstoju vzdržujejo skladno s prvim klicem k bivanju, kar se je zgodilo ob stvarjenju.

V vsaki stvari je božji oživljajoči duh, vsako bitje je predmet učinkovite božje ljubezni, Bog stavi vedno na življenje, na možnosti dobrega v človeku, tudi takrat, ko človek sam nima več zaupanja vase.

V znamenitem Dnevniku vaškega župnika Bernanos piše: »Zdi se mi, da bi se brez čuječega božjega usmiljenja človek ob prvem zavedanju samega sebe znova vrnil v prah.« Bog je Bog življenja, Bog, ki nenehno ustvarja in ljubi, Bog, ki je vso večnost zaupljiv do svojih ustvarjenih stvari, Bog, ki ima pravo strast za odpuščanje.

Tako lahko torej razumemo vrednost Lukove pripovedi o spreobrnjenju Zaheja, tega osovražena pobiralca rimskih davkov. Nanj



ne bi stavil nobeden izmed judovskih duhovnikov, na prvi pogled niti Jezus ne, saj je razglasil: »Kako težko bodo bogati vstopili v božje kraljestvo!« (Lk 18,24). Vendar je upravičeno nadaljeval: »Kar je nemogoče pri ljudeh, je mogoče pri Bogu« (18,27). In pogledjte, kakšen čudež spreobrnjenja in odpuščanja se zgodi!

Za Zaheja se začne novo življenje: »Gospod, polovico svojega imetja dam ubogim in če sem koga ogoljufal, mu povrnem četverno.« Spreobrnjenje vsebuje konkretno in izkustveno preveritev, ki se izkaže predvsem v dejanski solidarnosti z ubogimi in z žrtvami, ki so utrpele krivico.

Komentar Jezusovih besed, ki jih je v evangeliju zbral Luka, lahko opustimo. »Prodajte, kar imate, in dajte v miloščino« (12,13). »Nihče ne more služiti dvema gospodarjema; ali bo enega sovražil in ljubil drugega, ali se bo navezal na enega in preziral drugega. Ne morete služiti Bogu in Mamonu«.

»Prodaj vse, kar imaš, in razdeli revežem, potem pridi in hodi za menoj« (18,22). »Dajte v miloščino ... in za vas bo vse čisto« (11,14).

Tudi Janez Krstnik je odgovarjal svojim sogo-
vornikom: »Kdor ima dve obleki, naj eno da tiste-
mu, ki je nima, in kdor ima premoženje, naj naredi
prav tako« (3,11).

Spreobrnjenje je torej poleg vnovične usmeritve
k Bogu, hkrati družbeno in občestveno dejanje.

Pred kraljem Agripo je Pavel povzel svoje življe-
nje spreobrnjenca: »Najprej sem oznanjal, naj se
spreobrnejo, obrnejo k Bogu in naj opravljajo dela,
ki so vredna spreobrnjenja« (Apd 26,20).

Doživetje izkušnje spreobrnjenja pomeni zakora-
čiti po poti veselja in darovanja, ki nima nič skup-
nega s kakšno bolešno jokavo čustvenostjo ali
zgolj splošno obrednostjo in duhovnostjo. Če je
greh nekaj, kar te ohromi, je odpuščanje oživljava-
če.

»Glejte, vse stvari delam nove« (Raz 21, 5).

(Prim. Oznanjevalec - C_2006/7, šte. 5)

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Response:

**I will bless your name for ever,
my King and my God.**

First Reading Wisdom 11:22 – 12:2

Our patient God is a lover of life, whose spirit fills all things.

Second Reading 2 Thess. 1:11 – 2:2

Paul prays that God will make us worthy of our call.

Gospel Luke 19:1-10

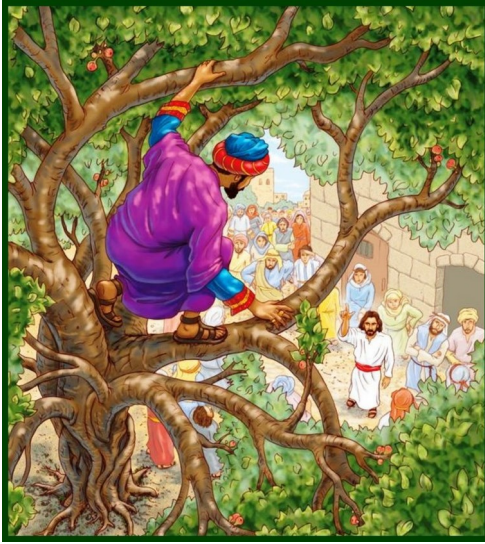
Zacchaeus meets Jesus, who comes to seek out and save those who are lost.

“This man too is a son of Abraham.”



Illustration

Last year, a lay-led synod in England explored the theme of what it means to belong and to be Church. One speaker, James Alison, outlined two contrasting ways of creating a sense of belonging. One is strong – or violent – belonging, where a nation, group, political party or church nurtures a sense of belonging by stoking fears of being threatened by “the evil other”. This threat may be external or internal. The Cold War is an example of an external threat, where both the USA and the USSR created a strong sense of national identity by portraying the other as an existential danger to their way of life. Alternatively, the “evil other” may be internal – the enemy within. Recent years have witnessed a rise in groups that portray various minorities as being threats to the cohesion and strength of the majority, whether this be people of a different ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or simply a different outlook on life. It’s an “us against them” sense of belonging.



The alternative type of belonging is Catholicity. At its root, the word “catholic” connotes wholeness or inclusivity. A genuinely Catholic sense of belonging might be termed “weak” or non-violent belonging, because it does not rely on demonising perceived enemies in order to strengthen the sense of identity and belonging among its members. Rather it seeks to identify what is common among us and to create a sense of identity based on shared humanity, struggles and hopes. It embraces rather than rejects, includes rather than excludes.

Gospel Teaching

We see both these kinds of belonging at play in the dynamic between Jesus, Zacchaeus and the crowd. Zacchaeus knows himself to be “the evil other” in the eyes of his Jewish compatriots. He has sold out his birthright and betrayed his people by working as a tax collector for the hated Roman occupiers. And he has been successful at it, too – he is a senior tax collector and wealthy: doubly despised. Perhaps it’s not just that he is short that makes him climb

the tree to see Jesus – he knows he would not be welcome to stand shoulder to shoulder with the other citizens of Jericho. That strong, violent, exclusive sense of belonging is at work here. Zacchaeus is not “one of us” and he has even internalised his status as the enemy within.

Jesus, however, does not buy into this sense of exclusive belonging. He initiates contact with Zacchaeus – not just speaking to him but inviting himself to dinner at Zacchaeus’ house. Jesus refuses to be put off by the complaints of those who have a strong sense of religious and national belonging. They see this man as a “sinner” and a traitor – by very definition, not one of us. Jesus is not deterred by such hostility, not afraid to place himself alongside Zacchaeus against the wishes of the crowd. This enables Zacchaeus to grow into his full stature, correcting the consequences of his sins and turning his life around. Jesus defines Zacchaeus as “one of us” – not “one of them” – a “son of Abraham” and therefore, by definition, a brother, family. Jesus speaks of salvation having come to Zacchaeus’ house. Salvation, healing and wholeness are the very definition of Catholic belonging.

Application

The story of Zacchaeus challenges each of us. Firstly: how do I understand my own sense of belonging – my belonging to my nation, my family, my Church, my parish? Do I define who I belong to – who belongs to me – in terms of exclusivity? Do I foster a sense of external enemies who threaten to “swamp”, overwhelm or destroy the groups and people I hold dear? Is my sense of belonging dependent on identifying enemies within, whom I can demonise, victimise or reject? Is my own sense of self-identity and belonging so weak that I need to cling to an “us against them” mentality?

Secondly: how open am I to being transformed? Can I, like Zacchaeus, acknowledge my own vulnerability, mistakes and imperfection? Am I willing to “climb a tree” – to go out of my comfort zone to seek out opportunities to be made whole and be reconciled? Am I strong enough to admit my weakness; am I big enough to own my shortcomings? When we can do that, our personal place of weakness becomes the means by which we can come into fellowship with others who are equally flawed and damaged, rather than seeing them as threats we need to guard against. That’s when “us against them” becomes just “us”.



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2022

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- \$123,050. - Vplačali / Paid

Hvala vsem, ki ste že prispevali.



Hvala Olgi Glavač za lep venec, ki nas bo v mesecu novembru spominjal na naše pokojne, ki se jih v tem času še posebej spominjamo in zanje molimo.



Hunter's Banquet

Bled Hall - 4650 South Service Rd., Beamsville, ON, L0R 1B0

26th November 2022

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Za urejanje konzularnih zadev se predhodno obvezno dogovorite za termin po e-pošti ali telefonu. Informacije po telefonu od ponedeljka do petka med 10. in 15. uro.

Veleposlaništvo načrtuje do konca leta 2022 izvesti konzularne ure v Torontu vsak drugi mesec.



SLOVENSKA ŠOLA



Zadnjo oktobrsko soboto so otroci, ki obiskujejo Slovensko sobotno šolo, pouk začeli s sveto mašo. Od februarja 2020, malo pred začetkom Covida 19, nismo imeli te maše. Ker pri maši tudi kaj zapojemo, seveda ob kitari, imamo srečo, da je še nekaj otrok, ki so hodili že prej, tako, da poznajo pesmi. Mlajši pa kar hitro poprijemajo.

Ker je to sobota tik pred Halloweenom, so se otroci tudi oblekli temu primerno, po malici pa so si ogledali še film.

Ker se zelo hitro bliža december in praznovanje Miklavža, bomo že drugo soboto začeli tudi z vajami za Miklavžev prihod, ki bo v nedeljo, 4. decembra. Ta dan bo v župniji samo ena maša ob 10h.





For any information about Slovenian School, please contact Sandy at sferletic@gmail.com or 905-977-8464



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOGODKI: - NOVEMBER

- **Nov 12, 2022 - VSKO** - Zimski Market
- **Nov. 13, 2022 - Lipa Park** - Martinovanje
- **Nov. 20, 2022 - Scholarship** presentation after 11:00 a.m. Mass
- **Nov. 26, 2022 - Lipa Park** - Curbside Cabbage Rolls
- **Nov. 26, 2022 - Bled** - Hunter's Banquet
- **Dec. 4, 2022 - Slovenska šola-St. Gregory the Great** - Miklavževanje - Mass only at 10:00 a.m.

READERS - BRALCI BERIL

October 30, 2022

Slovenska maša - Mirko Zorko
English Mass - Mary Miklavčič

GIFT BEARERS - SLOVENIAN MASS

Oct. 30 - Jožica Vegelj & Štefka Eržen
Nov. 6 - Aranka Dundek & Danny Fujs

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH - ČIŠČENJE CERKVE

Nov. 12 - Jožica Vegelj and team
Nov. 26 - Gosgnach team

ALL SOULS DAY MASS – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington will take place on **Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 2:00pm.**

The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

MOLITVE NA POKOPALIŠČIH

Danes, 30. oktobra 2022, bo zopet sveta **maša na Holy Sepulchre** pokopališču in sicer ob običajni uri, **ob 2:00 popoldne.** Naše molitve bodo, kot je bilo to navadno pred Covidom:

- **ob 3:00** pri križu na pokopališču Holy Sepulchre

- **ob 3:30** p.m. na pokopališču Gate of Heaven - pri slovenski kapelici

- **ob 5:00** p.m. na pokopališču Our Lady of the Angels (če bo odprt mavzolej bomo noter sicer pa pod nadstreškom pred mavzolejem, kot smo to imeli lansko leto).

Letos se ura spremeni na zimski čas v nedeljo, 6. novembra.

MAŠA - BRESLAU

V nedeljo, 6. novembra bo sveta maša v bivši dvorani društva Sava. Sveta maša se bo darovala za vse pokojne člane in še po naslednjih namenih:

- + Majda Čagran - darujeta Francka Kržišnik in Toni Žunič
 - + Jože Šutej - daruje Anica Kobetič
 - + Majda Cagran - daruje družina Mirt
 - + Starši in brat Šerbec - družina Mirt
- Za zdravje in okrevanje - družina Mirt

PRVI PETEK - FIRST FRIDAY

Ta teden je prvi petek v mesecu. Ob 6h zvečer bo priložnost za zakrament sprave in molitev pred Najsvetejšim, ob 7h pa sv. maša.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu novembru bo večna luč gorela za pokojno Katarino Mujdrica po namenu sina Martina in Bernardine Mujdrica.

CWL - KŽZ

Please note that CWL members will not gather for a meeting on Wednesday Nov. 2nd.

We invite our parish community to join us for a **Memorial Mass** to remember and hon-

our deceased members from our Catholic Women's League and Slomšek Altar Society on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Članice KŽZ v sredo, 2. novembra, ne bodo imele sestanka. Povabljene pa ste, da se udeležite maše, ki bo 23. novembra ob 7h zvečer, pri kateri se bomo spomnili vseh pokojnih članic tako KŽZ kot tudi SOD.

DAROV - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad so, v spomin na pokojno Rozino Vučko, darovali:

\$70 - Katoliška ženska zveza

\$200 - Francka Cestnik

Hvala za vaš dar.

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA - TORKOVI VEČERI

Villa Slovenia - Tuesday's night social gatherings will start November 1st from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

S prvim novembrom se bodo v Villa Slovenia zopet začeli »**Torkovi večeri**«. Vabljeni, da po "doolgem času" zopet pridete skupaj in preživite nekaj uric v dobri družbi prijateljev in znancev.

Join us on

Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

for the second lecture in our

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Žagar	Albin Michael	October 31, 2014
Tonaj	Anton	November 2, 1975
Prijatelj	Anton Tony	November 2, 1978
Cesar	Anton	November 2, 2013
Grebenc	Lojze Andrew	November 2, 2020
Petrella	Teodora Antonia	November 2, 2021
Hull	Ludvik	November 3, 2012
Tanko	Elizabeth	November 3, 2012
Šverko	Anton	November 6, 2014

Svete maše - Masses

<p>31. NEDELJA MED LETOM 31TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30. OKTOBER MARCEL, MUČENEC</p>	<p>†† †† †† † † †† † † †</p>	<p>Za žive in rajne župljane Pokojni iz družine Škrban Pokojni iz družine Žižek Viktor in Kristina Ferko Manja Erzetič Ivan Žižek Joe in Elizabeth Gerič Joe Lackovič Pokojni starši Joža Šušteršič Molitve na pokopališčih</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. ----- Družina Škrban Družina Škrban Hči Irena Kolmanič z družino Toni in Marija Franc Janez Lovrenčec 11:00 A.M. Vera Lackovič z družino Žena Vera z družino Hči Jožica Novak Karel Ferko z družino Prayers at the Cemeteries</p>
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SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 5:30 P.M. (Slovenian-Sunday Mass); Sunday: 10:00 A.M. from July to Fall Banquet (Slovenian/English) - **KRSTI / BAPTISMS:** For an appointment, call one month before. **POROKE / MARRIAGE:** For an appointment, call one year before the wedding date. **SPOVED / CONFESSIONS:** 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 with your priest – please call for an appointment. Tel: 905-561-5971 or Cell: 905-520-2014

PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 31. OKTOBER, <i>Volbenk, šk</i>		No Mass in the Parish - Ni maše v župniji	
TOREK - TUESDAY 1. NOVEMBER VSI SVETI	†† †† † † † †† †† ††	Janko in Tončka Demšar Pok. iz dr. Šribar, Hodnik & Erzetič Štefan Gonza Anica L Champagne Marta Raščan Jožef in Cecilija Filip Vsi pokojni iz Villa Slovenia Pok. iz druž. Sagadin in Pozdrec	7:00 P.M. Demšar, Scarcelli & Purdon Fam. Manja Erzetič Žena Vera z družino Vera Gonza z družino Bernarda Milosavljevič Julija Sagadin z družino Julija Sagadin z družino Julija Sagadin z družino
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 2. NOVEMBER <i>Spomin vernih rajnih</i>	† † † † † ††	Rozina Vučko Martina Kolar Anica L Champagne Lojze Grebenc, obl. Iza Genia Owsianicka Za duše v vicah	7:00 P.M. CWL - KŽZ Mož Štefan z družino Majda Lukežič Mary Grebenc Helena Kwasniewska Helena Kwasniewska
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 3. NOVEMBER <i>Viktorin Ptujski, šk-muč.</i>	†† ††	Pokojni duhovniki Pokojni farani sv. Gregorija Po namenu	7:00 P.M. SDB Marija Korošec z družino Ana Tadić
PRVI PETEK - FIRST FRIDAY 4. NOVEMBER <i>Karel Boromejski, škof</i>	† †† ††	Marija Bregar Matija in Terezija Sobočan Jože in Matilda Stanko	7:00 P.M. Ana Gergyek Cecilija Sobočan Hči Olga Hanc z družino
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 5. NOVEMBER <i>Zaharija in Elizabeta, starša Janeza Krstnika</i>	†† † †† † † † † † ††	Adolf Košir Marija Bukvič Brat Ignac in Olga Prša Karel Volf Frank Pinter Franc Raduha Franc Raduha Magda Udovč Jožef in Marija Heric	5:30 P.M. Marija Košir Mož Anton z družino Marija volf Žena Marija Žena z družino Regina in Martin Nedelko Žena z družino Jožica Vegelj z družino Francka in Štefan Antolin z druž.
32. NEDELJA MED LETOM 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6. NOVEMBER MONALD KOPRSKI, DUHOVNIK	†† †† † †† † † † ††	Za žive in rajne župljane Pokojni iz družine Sarjaš Jože Lovšin, obl. Franc Saje Magda in Stane Udovč Vida Sajder Ed Kodarin Emilia Balažic, obl. Pokojni iz društva Sava	9:30 A.M. ----- Ignac in Terezija Sarjaš Družina Pust Žena z družino Udovč-Levstek Families Matilda Bratuž Žena z družino Hči Emilija Lovrenčec z družino 11:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M. Bivša dvorana društva Sava