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Pristava Opens; Cultural Events Planned

After a long winter, Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio, is ready to hold its first picnic on June 2.

The electric gate at Pristava will be completed this spring. Every member will receive a card to open the gate; additional cards will be available for \$7. If you lose your card, a replacement will cost \$10.

This year will mark the 35th anniversary of Pristava; it is also the celebration of the fifth year of Slovenia's independence.

Our *Slovenski Dan* will be held on Sunday, June 30. At that time we will be hosting the Slovenian folklore dance group Triglav." Also, Korotan and Fantje na Vasi will perform.

They will also have a longer performance at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair on Friday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m.

On both occasions their musicians will play for dancing.

For tickets call Joze Zalik at 486-4370.

Milan Ribic
President



St. Vitus Slovenian School Graduates Eight

On Saturday, May 18, the following students walked out of St. Vitus Slovenian School for the last time, report cards in hand. Graduation took place on Sunday, May 19. Congratulations to all!

The graduates are: top: Ana Marija Manfreda, Kristina Slogar, Niko Percic, Joze Skravec, Peter Domanko; bottom: Mihelca Zakelj, Lisa Ovsenic, Kristina Mejac. The teacher, at right, is Meta Novak.

Bishop Pevec remembers deceased friends

Cleveland Auxiliary Bishop Edward Pevec gave the following homily at Holy Cross Cemetery on Brookpark Rd., at the 10 a.m. Mass on Memorial Day:

The bold type in the local neighborhood newspaper was meant to catch the reader's eye, and it certainly caught mine.

St. Vitus Catholic War Vets memorial program Mass, Sunday, May 26, St. Vitus Church, 9:15 a.m.

I remember that this was a long-standing tradition - to have a memorial Mass on the Sunday before Memorial Day. The Mass was always a very solemn liturgy with uniformed war veterans, prayerful families, snapping flags, the droning of somber voice reading names of those who had died, the placing of vigil lights in their memory, the slightly disorganized but well-intentioned parade around the block, the gun salute, the sounding of taps.

To a stranger, it would not have been too relevant, but to everyone there, the message is always so clear as to what is being done at this memorial service. Lives lived and lost are being remembered very solemnly and very sincerely.

Listed below the announcement were the names of those who would have a principal role to play on this Sunday - the commander of the post, the Eucharistic ministers, the readers, the officer of the day, the riflemen. All were veterans and members of the post.

But there were two other lists that almost hypnotized me. One was a list of those

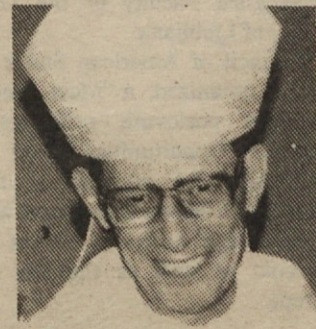
who died in service. There were 42 of them. I had gone to school with Steve Markolia, Tony Silc, and Bill Staric. Others were also very familiar - Albin Dolence, Tony Fortuna, Bob Levec, Stan Zupancic. I could almost picture their faces. But World War II, Korea, and Vietnam had claimed their lives, and their families and friends had to live only with painful memories of a life that would never again be.

There were 117 names on the other list that was simply headed: "In Memory." In memory of a Leona Alich, a Louis Arko, Vince Baskovic, Msgr. Baznik, Tony Cizel, Max Germ, Stan Godic, and so on. There were classmates there, too, and so many, many friends.

There was a Senator named Lausche and a judge named Marolt, a scout named Jaksic and a musician named Telban, a friend named Zitko and another named Zak. It was a long list and almost every name brought back a memory of what once had been.

I suppose that is one of the purposes of a memorial day. We are urged to remember. In an age when it seems that even the word "sacrifice" makes people uncomfortable, it is good to remember that there were those who made the supreme sacrifice as they fought for principles and values that have made this nation under God such a special place.

Freedom, justice, democracy, the American way of life - these were worth fighting for against enemies that some people have al-



Bishop A. Edward Pevec

ready forgotten and that to others are on only fuzzy references in history books. It would indeed be a sad commentary if all we did was to remember.

To those of us who are children in God's eyes has been revealed what is hidden from the learned and the clever. Death, unwelcome thought at times it may be, is no reason for despair or depression. Sadness? Of course! That's the human condition. But it is also the "human condition" of those of us who believe that remembering is also praying.

We also know that those who have died before us, no matter what the circumstances, have been called gently by the Lord. "Come to me... and I will refresh you... You will find rest."

All around us in this cemetery are the grim reminders of lives lived and now CHANGED. Yes, we do remember... and we do pray that these precious souls of the faithful departed may rest in peace.

But we also pray that as we live now, we may approach the moment of our own death with resignation, acceptance, peace, and hope. To go to the Lord is really not so bad, as so many can now tell us.

Two hams meet over eggs

It's a small world, after all!

Last week a bunch of us radio amateurs went to Dayton, Ohio by bus to the Hamvention. This convention brings radio hams from all over the world to the largest flea market of radio and computer equipment.

One walks for hours looking at all of the junk that is available at give-away prices. At the same time old acquaintances are renewed. Many times persons are met who were first contacted by radio.

In my case, someone yelled "Joe!" while having breakfast. I peered through my right cataract eye and there he stood: Rudi Breznik, VK2AOT, of Sidney, Australia.

From the other side of the world, 26,000 miles away, where fall was changing to winter while here a belated spring was changing to summer.

I was thunderstruck. It was like a spaceman had dropped out of a clear sky from another planet. Of course, we were old friends having met by "radio." But of all places to meet and under such circumstances.

Rudi is an electronics engineer and radio amateur. He travels around the world markets visiting Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Germany, and the U.S. He has the largest electronics store in Australia and New Zealand.

Rudi had to flee from the liberated Slovenia after WWII. His brother, Alfred Breznik, is the Slovenian honorary consul in Australia. Another good example of Slovenian talent lost to Slovenia, thanks to the Communist revolutionaries.

It is really getting to be a small world. Now if only someone could discover or invent a way of instant traveling by Internet. --J.Z.

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Happy Birthday, Pope John
Paul II on Saturday, May 18th,
1996. Ad multos annos, Papa!

SLOVENIJA
 12.00



Slovénian Postal Authorities have issued a stamp dedicated to Marija Pomagaj BREZJÉ. Piran archives are the oldest in Slovénia and third oldest in all of Europe. The oldest document is from 1036 but just a copy of it is extant. The oldest original material dates from 1173.

Professor Dr. Anton Štrukelj is the author of a new book entitled *Ti si Pétér Skala* published by DRUZINA. Dr. Štrukelj is professor of Dogmatic Theology in the Theological Faculty of the University of Ljubljana.

Council of American States in Europe organized a "Meet America Dan poslovnih priloznosti" (Business Opportunities' Day) in Ljubljana. The purpose of the American Embassy's program was to encourage American export to Slovénia as well as the rest of Europe.

A folklore group, *Laminate Generation*, from the Brigham Young University, BYU, was scheduled to present a dance program in Tivoli Hall, Ljubljana on May 19th. The dance group has been touring Europe, presenting poems, songs, and dances of Indian, Latin-American, and Polynesian origin.

Latest word as reported in *SLOVÉNÉC* is that Pope John Paul II has signed the decree pronouncing Bishop Anton Martin Slomšek as blessed. However, Slomšek will not be declared blessed during the pope's visit to Maribor. The reason given, as reported by Prelate Msgr. Dr. Maksimilijan Jézernik, principal postulator for the cause of Slomšek, was that certain rules for the procedure of beatification had not been completed.

Wednesday a week ago, the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Dr. Edmond Farhat, opened the exhibit, "Slovénia in Papal Documents". It was prepared by historian, Professor Dr. Francé Dolinar. Church and secular dignitaries were welcomed by Director of Archives for the Republic of Slovénia, Apothecary Vladimir Zumér. In the exhibit there were 71 parchment documents on display.

Wishes for a Speedy Recovery

Frank Kern of Cleveland, Ohio, long-time parishioner of St. Vitus church, is recuperating from heart by-pass surgery and stroke. He was transferred on Tuesday, May 28 to the Gateway Health Care Facility in Euclid.

Visitors are welcome as he continues rehabilitation.

play. It covered the period from the 19th to the 20th Century. The oldest document dates from 1186. It is concerned with the payment of

proar was created in Ljubljana when workers started cutting a row of willow trees in Plécnik Park. The Greens, ZS, demanded an immediate stop. Their vice-president, Juré Štérek, called a press conference in which the feelings of the conservationists were expressed. Plécnik was a world famous architect, who left many of his "monuments" throughout Ljubljana and Slovénia. His nephew, Matija Plécnik, is very well known and active in the St. Vitus community.

Trade union of the Slovénian Farmers' Association has come out against the importation of beef and pork. The farmers claim that large imports have created havoc in the cattle trade. They want it stopped.

At its regular elections, the Slovénian Academy of Arts and Sciences, SAZU, re-elected Academician Dr. Francé Bérnik as its president. Academicians Robért Blinc and Ciril Zobéč were elected vice-presidents. Another academician, Matija Drovénik, became secretary. Other members of the Academy, Janéz Batis, Primoz Ramovs, and Lojzé Vodovnik were elected chairmen.

Bishop Franc Krambérgér of Maribor and Vice-mayor Pétér Pavél Klasinc opened an exhibition titled "Anton Martin Slomšek (1800-1862)." It was prepared by archivist and librarian, Léopold Mikéč Avbéršék. Also a documentary film was prepared *Anton Martin Slomšek, Slovénian for all times*. The scenario was written by Alojz Rébula. Director of the film was Jozé Pogačnik.

In 1895 a brass band was started in Apačé, of Gornja Radgona. An old photograph was found and it is thought that Ivan Tropénauer of

Lésan was the founder. Today the band consists of 15 members, a number of which are relatively young.

The men and boys of Komenda erected 4 Maypoles near the hippodrome where Pope John Paul II said the holy Mass. Two poles were 100 feet high.; the two measured almost 80 feet. Not to be outdone, the parishioners of St. Urh-Podgorjé are just as proud of their poles which were erected for the parish Confirmation recently.

Last Saturday 87-year old Ivan and 85-year old Antonija Jazbinšék of Préséčno celebrated their "bisérna poroka". Helping them celebrate the great day were 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren! Many happy returns of the day and God bless your marriage for many more years!

A little church in the village of Stopnik is proud of its bell, the oldest in Slovénia. It was recently renewed as was the church itself. Bishop Franc Krambérgér of Maribor blessed the individual portions of the church. Solemn services followed the blessing.

Gallery Krka in Ljubljana presented the first exhibition of Vesna Ambrožič Campbell. Campbell lives in the African country of Togo. She was born in Maribor.

Tradesman is the largest commercial magazine in Slovénia. It has a readership of 60,000 tradesmen and business men. Nuclear power plant in Krka has closed down for repairs and inspection. It will be closed until July 21 according to present plans.

Télékom of Slovénia has just introduced plastic cards with image of Pope John Paul II on it. About 80,000 cards have been handed out so far. *Télékom* is responsible for all connections with radio, television, and news media facilities. This includes cables, relay stations, and satellite communications for telephones as well.

Seniors: Add Food Safety To The Menu

(NAPS)—Sixty-million Americans qualify as seniors, according to the American Association of Retired Persons. And they enjoy eating out! Statistics show that older people eat out as often as the rest of the population, but that they are ten times more likely to die from consequences of foodborne illness than the rest of the population.

The reason is that as we grow older, our immune systems don't work as well to fight off illness. So wherever you eat, protect yourself from foodborne illness by following these food safety examples:

"How would you like your burger?" Always order it well-cooked, and then check to be sure there is no pink in the middle. If so, have them recook it. And, never eat raw meat, poultry or seafood such as steak tartare, raw oysters, or sushi.

"Leftovers" After eating, you have some wonderful food left to take with you. Whether it is presented to you in a foil "swan," a styrofoam box, or you wrap it in a napkin for your purse or pocket (which many people still do), take it straight home and put it in the refrigerator. Bacteria grow rapidly on unrefrigerated foods.

"Check for cleanliness" Look around when you go in a restaurant. Dirty floor? Waiters or servers in soiled clothing? Any evidence of insects? Odds are the kitchen is



Older Americans should be particularly careful about food safety.

even worse and the food may not be prepared under sanitary conditions. Plan to eat somewhere else.

"Raw or under-cooked eggs" can be health hazards due to possible salmonella problems. Sunnyside-up eggs can be a culprit, as well as Caesar salads, hollandaise sauce, some custards, or any food that contains uncooked eggs. Ask your waiter or waitress if you're not sure about an item on the menu.

"Careful, this plate is really hot!" A common warning that you should certainly heed. However, make sure your food is also **Piping Hot!** when it's delivered. If it's not, send it back.

For safety's sake, remember three simple guidelines—Keep hot foods hot; Keep cold foods cold, and Keep foods clean. They could save your life.

For questions about the safe handling and preparation of foods, call USDA's tollfree Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-800-535-4555, Monday thru Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., EST.

100 WORDS MORE OR LESS
 by John Mercina



Daily we are bombarded with ads that promise what you see in the above title. Is it true? So far in my long life yours truly has found above to be true ONLY when it comes to **LOVING**. Give a little bit of love and get a lot of love in return. Give a teddy bear to a small child that has nothing to call their own and get a broad smile in return. Give a helping hand to an older person in need and even a grumpy old man might thank you. It pays to love someone, for you get double love in return.

Was it a gentleman named Stanley Zupan that coined the phrase "There is Love in every sLOVENian?"

Enjoy Life

1. — *Forgive yourself.* If you splurged on several chocolate bars today, forget it. Do better tomorrow.

2. — *Celebrate your accomplishments.* Buy yourself a small gift that you've wanted. (but don't let it be food).

3. — *Enjoy life.* Whether it's a favorite food, something you like to do, or time spent with friends. Enjoy!

4. — *De-stress your life.* Get organized; confront your problems and don't worry about the things you can't change. Continual stress takes its toll, mentally and physically.

5. — *Begin a hobby.* (For instance, learn to cook a fabulous low-fat dinner.) Creating something with your hands gives you a feeling of pride and accomplishment.

Platonic friendship: the interval between the introduction and the first kiss.

—Sophie Irene Loeb

Sodja Writes Article on Satellites

"Satellite Antenna Hints and Kinks" by Howard Sodja was published in the *AMSAT Journal* issue of May/June 1996.

Howard discusses some of his experiences with sending and receiving radio signals via amateur radio satellites.

The article was originally presented at the project OSCAR Seminar in September, 1990.

Sodja lives in California. His e-mail address is w8shp@armsat.org.

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Slovenian church seeks donations

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Dear Friends:

Kranj-Zlato is a new parish which was established on March 19, 1991, in Kranj, Slovenia. The parish has a population of 10,400 people. Most of them live in company-owned apartment buildings.

There is no church in this part of the city. All services in our parish are held in a chapel in a converted single family house. Despite cramped quarters, more than 600 parishioners attend Sunday masses. Spiritual life in our parish has been showing signs of awakening, such as, increased attendance of masses and religious education classes for children.

After having finally received all necessary permits we started the construction of a new church on August 16, 1993. The

economic situation in our newly independent country, Slovenia, is difficult. Unemployment has been increasing steadily and the country is in a economic crisis. Consequently, the church will have to be built gradually, in phases. At the moment the basement of the church is being built and it will contain classrooms for religious education, offices and a social hall.

A new mass will be celebrated in our parish in July of 1994. We would like very much to have the church completed to the degree which would allow the mass to be celebrated in it. The completion of bare walls and roof would suffice for this occasion.

The parish itself will not be able to bear all the expenses of the construction. We are asking for assistance from all who are willing to extend a helping hand. With this letter, we are turning to you and, through you, to your friends and acquaintances. We pray daily for our benefactors and

celebrate mass for them once a month. We will be very grateful to you for any gift, even the smallest assistance will help. Please accept our sincere thanks and best wishes.

May God be with you always.

Milan Grden (signed)
Pastor

Dear Friends:

I am supporting Rev. Milan Grden and his parishioners in their plea for assistance.

With kindest regards
Alojzij Sustar (signed)
Archbishop of Ljubljana

Those interested in responding to this letter may send inquiries - letters to

Dr. Gojko Stare
7601 Elmore Lane
Bethesda, MD 20817

Fr. Milan Grden will respond and thank all benefactors. May God bless all those who are touched to respond to the building of this church.

Victoria Robben wins scholarship

Competing against approximately 6,500 school winners from throughout the United States, Victoria Robben, a Cape Coral, Florida High School senior, has won a \$1,000 National Principal's Leadership Award.

One hundred and fifty Principal's Leadership awards were presented as part of National Student Leadership Week, April 21-27.

Principals in high schools throughout the country nominate one of their student leaders. Winners were selected based on their participation in service organizations, clubs, and athletics; achievements in the arts and sciences; employment experience; and academic record.

"Victoria has built a record of outstanding service and scholarship while in high school," said Dr. Timothy J. Dyer, Executive Director, NASSP.

"Her leadership potential clearly is demonstrated by winning the Principal's Leadership Award. She's a fine example of the outstanding caliber of young people in America's high schools."

While at Cape Coral High School, Robben has served as class president for the past two years. Also she is currently serving as both National Honor Society and Key Club vice-presidents.



Other clubs she is involved in are: SADD, Math team, Mu Alpha Theta, Spanish National Honor Society, and Hawk News (school and community televised news show).

She thoroughly enjoys sports and has received a varsity letter with the swim team, track team, and soccer team, of which she has been captain for the past two years.

Robben continuously strives to be a leader. She attended the annual Girls' State program in Tallahassee, and the Emerging Leader's Conference in Gainesville. She has attended three District and two International Key Club conventions so far.

For the past four years she has been a steering committee member for the annual Coalition for a drug-free Lee County leadership conference. This school year, Robben has been an active member of the FGCU Focus Planning Group and the Superintendent's Student Advisory.

Victoria is the granddaughter of Gene Drobic of Cleveland.

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 invited 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. Come spend the day with us!

Commended Student

Edward Hainrihar Jr., a senior interpersonal communication major, has earned special talent award in the area of forensics from Bowling Green State University.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hainrihar of Willoughby Hills, Ohio.

Edward received a \$1,000 award. He is a 1993 graduate of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School.

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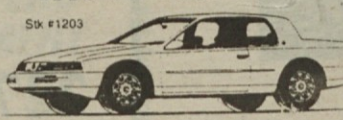
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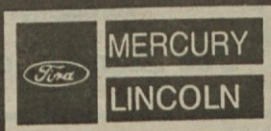
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50 Years of Fond Memories of St. Vitus Mothers Club

By VERA HLAD
Spiritual Chairman
And Historian

(Continued from last week)

The Cafeteria Project

It was our greatest and proudest achievement. Mrs. Mary Otonicar started preparing home-cooked meals for the children at lunch-time but she had too many other cooking engagements (such as weddings, anniversaries, funerals, and parties) to be able to continue. After one year she had to give it up.

Luckily, Mrs. Josie Godic and Anne Kern took over and with the help of six different volunteer mothers every day, the home-cooked and nutritious lunches for the children really took off and lasted for over 30 years.

A cafeteria chairman was elected and she was responsible for seeing to it that six mothers volunteered every day. If one mother couldn't come on her day, the Cafeteria Chairman would get a substitute to fill in. In the course of over 30 years, we had about 6 Chairmen. It was difficult to get someone to accept this chairmanship. That is why Mrs. Lena Siewiorek kept the job for about 20 years until it ended.

Four-hundred children ate in our cafeteria and they were served in 1/2 an hour to 45 minutes. After the children were fed, the volunteers got their lunch and we sat down and we caught up on the latest news in the neighborhood and even exchanged our own recipes with each other.

The food was so delicious that some of the graduates used to come for lunch on their day off from different high schools. Mrs. Godic asked them to please let her know in advance next time so she wouldn't run out of food for them. They were happy to oblige and did just that.

Mrs. Godic and Anne Kern thanked the volunteers every year before the end of the school year with a big

banquet and I mean BIG (like for a wedding). Each year it was different and the St. Vitus Mother's Club board members and officers waited on us. The principals of our school gave each volunteer a gift at this banquet and thanked us for taking care of the children all year.

At Christmas and Easter, Josie Godic and Anne Kern gave each volunteer a gift-wrapped present of cookies they baked themselves when they had some spare time. We hear the cafeteria is now very different. The food is prepared and brought in to be re-heated and served by a few ladies.

To this day we miss the cafeteria and last October Lena Siewiorek called us together for a reunion at Angela's Restaurant (in the neighborhood) and we talked of the good old days.

December and Christmas

Every Christmas party was always a huge success with the exchange of gifts which was given out by a member dressed like St. Nicholas. Another member dressed as a devil with chains being dragged after him. Of course, our pastor at the time was the one who was bothered by the devil. There were a few years when we had plays on the stage by our members:

1. - A Christmas Play: That was re-enacted this year for the 2nd time after many years.

2. - Songs picked & acted out: "Me and My Shadow" - 2 members doing a slow dance with the show moving in perfect timing. "The Charleston" - 3 flappers of the 1920s dancing the Charleston, Suzy Q, and Jitterbug. They wore beautiful costumes with glitter and fringes with hats from the 1920s.

"By the Sea, by the Sea, by the beautiful Sea" - members made their own old-fashioned bathing suits and danced hiding behind umbrellas to the music.

When the song was over, the umbrellas were lifted and the audience laughed because we were made up to look funny.

Christmas Plays

We had a five-part playlet depicting some of the highlights of our club history. Both humorous and serious.

1. - A member portraying Monsignor Ponikvar announcing that we had no janitor for Easter. Ladies came out on stage with buckets and mops and cleaned up the stage to show Monsignor not to worry about cleaning up the church.

2. - Chicken Dinners: A race between 2 members plucking chicken feathers and cleaning the chickens. The loser hitting the winner with the rubber chicken over the head and feathers flying all over.

3. - TV Commercials: Imperial Margarine and Hawaiian Punch comedies.

4. - No More School Picnics: When Father Praznik was pastor, he put a stop to our yearly picnic at Euclid Beach and Geauga Lake because he felt sorry for some of the poor children who couldn't afford to pay for the bus and didn't have money to spend. We made a play about that. A big bus was made out of cardboard with mothers hanging out of the windows, yelling, "No more Euclid Beach!"

5 - Laughing Lady. A frame was put up with the laughing lady in it. when a quarter was put in the slot, the laughing lady started to laugh and the mothers in the audience really enjoyed themselves. Guess who the laughing lady was?

50 Years Donation

Yearly, the club donated thousands of dollars for the school and paid all outstanding bills that each principal submitted to us. Any help that was needed, the Mother's Club members immediately took care of. For First Holy Communion,

Confirmation, and Graduation - a snack was prepared and a gift was given for remembrance, every year, compliments of the Mother's Club.

Parent-Teacher League

We joined the league and were helped in many ways with good ideas on how to manage our club more efficiently. Sometimes names of good and interesting speakers were given for our meetings. A representative from our club was sent to their meetings downtown and a report is given at our meeting by our member representative. We are involved with the P.T.L and one year Mrs. Molly Zaucha and some of her 6th grade children entertained them at their meeting downtown with a group in Slovenian costumes doing a Slovenian dance for them. After their meeting this group went on to Channel 5 and performed on TV.

This year our representative, Mrs. Charlotte Tariska was voted president of the P.T.L., an honor for our 50th anniversary. How perfect!

Closing

The events mentioned were the most outstanding and memorable in our 50

years together. The St. Vitus Christian Mother's Club with the help of God held our church, school, children, families, and community together. We feel that there will never be another club anywhere, or in the history of St. Vitus that will do as much as our membership did.

We were the heart of St. Vitus and we received many awards for being so great. The awards are also recorded along with the dates in our books of all the minutes. We would like to thank the last several young presidents who served and kept the club together. Because of them, we were able to reach our 50th Anniversary.

In 50 years, our members grew up with St. Vitus and grew old with St. Vitus. To each and every member, past and present, Happy 50th Anniversary!

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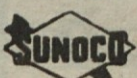
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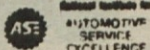
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Slovenian Radio Change

Listeners to the Slovenian programs on WCSB every Sunday and Wednesday were sorry to learn that Dr. Milan Pavlovic had decided to retire.

For the past 28 years he had been zealously preparing these programs. In all kinds of weather and trying circumstances, he maintained his schedule. In many ways he was assisted by his wife and son during the course of the years.

It was a thankless job whose rewards, however, inspired and encouraged Dr. Pavlovic in his efforts to preserve the cultural and musical traditions, especially for the newly arrived Slovenians fleeing the Communist revolution and holocaust in Slovenia after World War II.

Fortunately, Dr. Pavlovic succeeded in inter-

esting a group of loyal listeners. They have formed "Friends of the Slovenian Radio Program." It will be their task to continue in the fine tradition of high standards set by Dr. Pavlovic.

The Slovenian program will continue to be heard on Sunday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. A second broadcast will be presented as usual on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m.

Radio Station WCSB broadcasts from its studios in the Cleveland University Tower Building on an FM frequency of 89.3 MHz. Tune in for enjoyment of real Slovenian music and news

Farewell Dr. Milan Pavlovic! Welcome, Friends of Slovenian Radio Program.

-J.Z.

Folklore Group Triglav visits from Slovenia

This year is the 35th anniversary of Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio, and June 25th is also the fifth year anniversary of Slovenia's independence. To celebrate both of these anniversaries the Board of Slovenska Pristava has invited the folklore dance group *Triglav* from Jesenice, Slovenia. They perform dances from the Gorenjska region, Bela Krajina and Prekmurje.

The group will remain in the United States and Canada until July 1, holding performances in Toronto and Indianapolis.

They will arrive in Cleveland on June 17. Here, they will present a performance in the Slovenian National Home on **June 28**, at 7:30 p.m. After the performance, entertainment will be provided by the group's musicians.

On **June 30**, there will be an outdoor celebration at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio. At 12:30 a Mass will be followed by dinner. At 3 p.m., the program will begin featuring the folklore dance group *Triglav*. Also included in the program will be our own singing groups *Fantje na Vasi* and *Korotan* as well as our own folklore dance group *Kres*. Dancing follows. You are all invited to come out and celebrate.

If you have any questions or need tickets call Joe Zalick at 486-4370 or Breda Ribic at 943-0621.

Bethlehem, PA-Murska Sobota become Sister Cities

June 8 will be an historic day in Bethlehem, PA, as the mayors of Bethlehem and Murska Sobota, Slovenia, will sign the accord formalizing the Sister Cities relationship between the two communities.

Under the flag of the U.S. Capitol Building, brought specially to Bethlehem City Hall that day, Mayor Andrej Gerencer of Murska Sobota and Mayor Kenneth Smith of Bethlehem will sign the Sister City Agreement bringing to fruition a three year effort begun by members of the Bethlehem Slovenian-Windish community.

Unlike most members of the American-Slovenian community who emigrated from the Austrian dominated portion of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the Slovenians of Bethlehem came to this country primarily from the Hungarian administered county of Vas Megye. These Prekmurci from this area arrived on the shores of America and came to Bethlehem with no sense of their Slovene-ness, and called themselves Windish, the term used by the Hungarians under whose rule they had lived.

For nearly 100 years and for a variety of reasons, the

Slovenians of Bethlehem have been Windish - unaware of their true ethnicity and their Slovenian brothers and sisters with them here in America. Separate and distinct from all other Slovenian Americans, the Slovenians of Bethlehem now are working to correct this historical inaccuracy, and become active participants in the American Slovenian family.

The Sister City agreement will help cement this paradigm shift and provide a new Slovenian outlook for the community.

In addition to the mayors of both cities, other special guests in Bethlehem for the signing ceremony will include Ambassador Ernest Petric from the Slovenian Embassy in Washington, Dr. Silvo Lango -- President of the American Slovene Congress, Dr. Hilary Rolih - Treasurer of the American Slovene Congress, and noted scholar and American Slovene Congress member - Dr. Rado Lencek.

Along with Mayor Andrej Gerencer of Murska Sobota, Miran Gyorek - president of the Committee for International Relationships, and Rudolf Horvat - Murska Sobota City Council President will also be in atten-

dance. There will also be journalists from the Slovenian press from "Vesnik," "Vecer," and "Delo."

There are approximately 7,000 people in Bethlehem of Slovenian ancestry with two Slovenian (Windish) parishes (one Catholic and the other Lutheran) serving the spiritual needs of the community. It should be noted that re-education of the Bethlehem Slovenes was brought about primarily through the research efforts of Mr. Stephen Antalics of Wayne, PA.

With three years of research, and seven journeys to Slovenia, Mr. Antalics was able to unravel the story of how the people in Bethlehem became known as the Windish, and how forces maintained this errant identity. Through Antalics' research, the Windish identity for the Bethlehem Slovenes was put into its proper historical perspective, and a new chapter for the Slovenes of Bethlehem is being written.

Congratulations are extended to all who have worked diligently on behalf of the communities of Bethlehem and Murska Sobota. Welcome to the American SLOVENIAN family!

Donation

Thanks to Mrs. Vincent Globokar of Cleveland, Ohio who submitted a donation to the American Home newspaper in the amount of \$20.00.

In Memory

Mrs. Jerry Bohinc of Mayfield Hts., Ohio renewed her subscription plus sent in an additional \$20.00 in memory of **Bohinc** and **Zulich Families**.

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.

The public is invited!

Bonus!

Enclosed is \$40.00 for my subscription renewal, plus an additional \$10.00 bonus to keep us all informed of our Slovenian roots and other interesting informational items. Please continue your excellent news coverage.

--Mimi Stibil
Parma Hts., O.

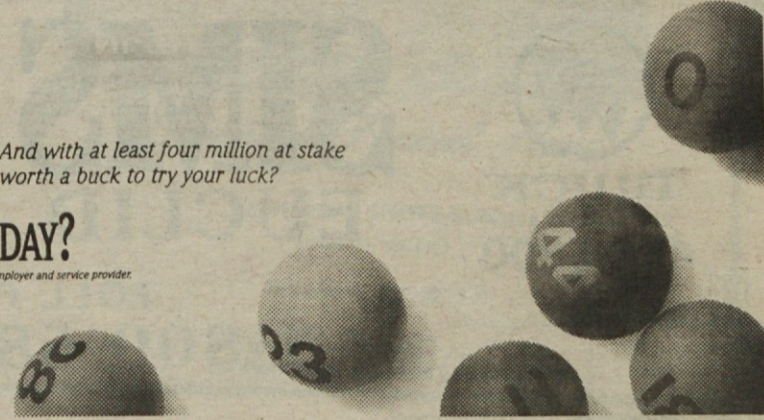
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Slovenian National Home "friends" say Thanks

On Sunday, May 19, "Friends of the Slovenian National Home Inc," sponsored their Annual Spring Brunch at the St. Clair Slovenian National Home. What a grand sight to see so many of our "Friends" attending and enjoying this wonderful Brunch in our beautiful hall.

The attendance was splendid. Several of our Life Members were also present. Two new Life Members have been added to our list, Margaret Tavcar Conetsco and Frank J. Kacar.

After everyone was served, Mr. Charles F. Ipavec, Master of Ceremonies, opened the program with a warm welcome to all. He introduced Mr. Joe Valencic who is a member of Mayor White's Cleveland Bicentennial Commission. This year our Brunch was held in conjunction with Cleveland's bicentennial. Mr. Valencic gave a very interesting and entertaining talk on the early days of Slovenian settling in Cleveland.

Mr. Ipavec then introduced Ann Opeka who elaborated on the "Friends" origin and achievements. Portions of her talk were taken from Bob Dolgan's article which appeared in the Slovenian National Home's

50th Year Anniversary Book of May 1974.

Mr. Lou Trebar, the popular and well-known accordionist, strolled among the audience playing familiar tunes in his unique style.

The excellent menu was prepared by Sophie Mazi and her group as well as other volunteers. Numerous favorable comments were heard regarding the delicious Brunch. A tentative date has been set for our Fall Brunch.

Enika Zulic and Mildred L. Hoegler furnished the easels for the display of historical pictures that were on display.

Mrs. Marie Shaver surprised us with her donation of "Angel Wings" which were enjoyed by all.

Gene Drobnic, who was in charge of decorations, made the beautiful center pieces which fitted in perfectly with the Bicentennial Dan Reiger also assisted with the decorations.

We would like to acknowledge all of the radio stations and newspapers for advertising our Brunch.

The Board of Directors would like to say "Thank You" to all of the above including volunteers for their assistance in making this Brunch such a huge success.

--Sylvia Plymesser

Events:

Friday, May 31

Art show and reception at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 15519 Holmes Ave., Cleveland from 6 to 9 p.m.

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.

Sunday, Nov. 10

St. Mary's Church (Collinwood) celebrates 90th anniversary with banquet.

TIAs can occur alone or precede a stroke

By Dr. Yung Seo

Q. What is the difference between TIAs and stroke?

A. Stroke is a term for acute brain damage caused by disease of blood vessels. Brain tissue dies or is damaged when its blood supply is cut off.

Transient ischemic attacks are temporary and reversible damage of brain tissue caused by temporary ischemia. Studies indicate TIAs almost always are linked exclusively to atherosclerotic thrombus, (blood clot/plaque inside the wall of a blood vessel), which causes narrowing of blood vessels.

Thrombosis of any brain

artery can be associated with TIAs. These temporary strokes fortunately reverse themselves. About two-thirds of patients with TIAs are male and/or hypertensive.

TIAs can occur by themselves, or they may precede, accompany or follow the development of a stroke. TIAs last a few seconds or up to 12 hours. These are signals of an immediate risk of stroke. The neurological features of TIA depend upon the territory or artery involved.

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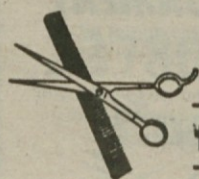
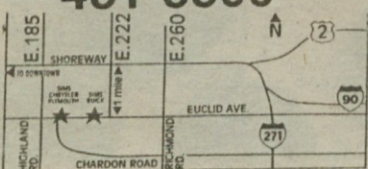
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Death Notices

RUDOLF CETINA

Rudolf (Rudy) Cetina, 88, passed away recently. He was retired from Eaton Corp., after 25 years as an inspector. He pitched softball for Eaton in the Industrial League, and the Inter-lodge League.

He was noted for his polka dancing and ushered for 40 years at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

He is survived by his wife, Ann (nee Gornik) to whom he was married for over 53 years. He was the father of Pat of San Francisco and Nancy of Wiloughby; brother of William of Mayfield Hts., and Edward of Cleveland Hts.

Friends called at the Grdina-Faulhaber Funeral Home, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd., where services were held on Sat., May 25 at 9 a.m. and from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Interment: All Souls Cemetery.

FRIEDA KUHN

Frieda Kuhn (nee Berg), wife of Francis (dec.); mother of Eleanor Pillar, Frank (Linda), Pat (Jerry) Adams, Ruth Kuhar, Shirley (Jim) Burgett, Marie (Al) Sluga, and Bernice (Boyd) Kelley; grandmother of 15; great-grandmother of eight.

Friends called at the Grdina-Faulhaber Funeral Home, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd., where services were held on Saturday, May 25 at 9:30 a.m. and from St. John Lutheran Church, 17403 Nottingham Rd., at 10 a.m.

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NOTE: Marija A. Remec (nee Puc) died May 3, 1996 in Westmont, Illinois. Her family is very active in the Slovenian community there and she was particularly involved — among — other organizations — in the missionary society. The Funeral Mass was held at the religious center in Lemont on May 6. She leaves her husband, Andrej, sons, Andrej, Gregor, and Karl, and daughters Barbara Juvan, Magda, and Monika Pritchard. The family requested donations in her name to the Slovenian Cultural Center, for the Marija Remec Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 634, Lemont, IL 60439.

The Bible has a tribute to a very wonderful type of woman, the kind of person many of us want to be like. I would like to read this biblical selection and share some thoughts about my mom, on behalf of my father, brothers and sisters. From Proverbs: (31:10-12, 15, 20, 25-29).

My Mom is this woman. How wonderfully this beautiful biblical passage captures the thoughtfulness, hard work, wisdom, strength, and dedication of this great person. And not only do the hearts of her husband and of her children praise her, but the hearts of many who knew her. As many of you can attest, my mom had more children than she knew, for many felt the generosity and unselfishness she was able to spread to every community to which she belonged.

As a girl in the 1940s, my mom was learning early in life how to overcome adversity during World War II in Slovenia, and after the war in displacement camps in Austria. There she also continued learning how to sew the beautiful needlework that she so generously gave her loved ones over the years. She also participated in the choir where she learned songs that would lift her own spirits and those around her for many years to come.

After immigrating to the United States, her wisdom blossomed in nursing college, where she graduated with highest honors. Although she only applied her education in hospitals a few

years before marrying in 1956, she soon dedicated all her ample skills to becoming a "magna cum laude" mom and friend to many.

Her love of life became evident as she gave birth to six children. But her fountain of thoughtfulness was so great that it spilled over beyond just these fortunate kids. Many are able to say that they had a happier childhood because of her. But it didn't stop there, for she embraced everyone from babies to the elderly. Her parents, brothers, and sisters all felt her special touch.

Mom was also very dedicated to both the church and school in her community. Many remember the way she devoted her time, quietly and without need for reward. Her friends felt this similar dedication in their own lives. In striving to learn from her, one could conclude that she was a great daughter, sister, wife, mom, aunt, and friend probably because she was such a great person. Although the writer of the verses from proverbs read earlier did not know Marija Remec, he must have known an early version of her.

In trying to summarize her life, our family could not list *one* single story that most typified who she was. It seems that we all remember her for *many* different

things she did... for that special strudel she made when we most needed it, for sending that card when nobody else did, for spending the extra time waiting to pick us up without complaining about the delay, for the care packages that arrived out of the blue, for the visits and help she gave when others were too busy, for the wise and compassionate guidance in our struggles, for the meal on the table no matter what time you came home or visited, for her wonderful laugh, for the needlework that took a breathtaking amount of time and love, for never falling asleep until her last child came home safe and sound, for remembering details of our lives after we mentioned them once.

She seemed to touch us specially in a way only she knew how.

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Now, it is up to us to do what we all know she would want us to do. To take care of the children; to watch over my father, Andrej; to be kind and thoughtful to one another; to remember each other" special days and special interests. I don't think I need to go on, because each has their own special remembrance and way that they will continue to make her life in their own and others' lives. She loved life and she still does. Now we can show others that way of living and spread some of the joy she knew how to give so well.

I can't help but think how she would smile approvingly at us, as we remember her and rededicate ourselves to carrying on her beautiful ways. As she continues living, out of our

sight, but not out of God's, our hearts praise her and rejoice for those who now get to befriend her.

Let us now continue this service and wish her a loving farewell, with the understanding that to end is but to start. For her as well as for ourselves.



Mary E. Pengel, last fire survivor, succumbs

Mary E. Pengel, 95, died last week in Jefferson, Ohio. She was the last survivor of the 1908 Collinwood Memorial School Fire in Cleveland.

Three years ago, the American Home newspaper featured her account of that horrible event. Amazingly, she recalled the tragedy as if it occurred yesterday.

May she rest in peace.

Talent is what you possess; genius is what possesses you.

—Malcolm Cowley

In Loving Memory of our Parents



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| 1 8-oz. can whole kernel corn, drained, or 1 cup frozen whole kernel corn | ¼ cup bulgar |
| | ¼ cup chopped onion |
| | ¼ cup tsp. garlic salt |
| | ½ cup shredded cheddar cheese |

In a 1-1/2-quart casserole combine all ingredients except cheese. Cover and bake in a 350° oven about 1 hour or until barley and bulgar are tender, stirring once halfway through the baking time. Sprinkle with cheese. Cover and let stand about 5 minutes or until cheese is melted. Makes 6 side-dish servings or 4 main-dish servings.

To make ahead: Prepare and cook casserole as directed, except do not add cheese. Cool, cover, and freeze for up to a month. To reheat, bake, covered, in a 350° oven for 55 to 60 minutes or until heated through, stirring once. Stir again. Sprinkle with cheese. Cover and let stand about 5 minutes or until cheese is melted.

Chicken Cacciatore

1. -- Sprinkle 1 chicken (3-1/2 lb.), cut into 8 pieces, with salt and freshly ground pepper. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat. Brown chicken, turning once, 5 to 8 minutes. Transfer to a plate.

2. -- Reduce heat to medium. Add 3 cups diced onions, 2 tablespoons each chopped fresh rosemary and parsley, 2 teaspoons chopped garlic and ½ teaspoon oregano; cook 7 to 10 minutes until onions are softened. Add 1 cup white wine; boil until reduced by half, 3 to 4 minutes. Stir in 1 can (14 or 16 oz.) whole tomatoes in juice, ½ cup chicken broth, 1 cup sliced mushrooms, ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon freshly ground pepper, breaking up tomatoes with spoon.

Return chicken to skillet; cover and simmer 45 to 50 minutes or until cooked through. Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley.

Serve with ½ pound rigatoni pasta, cooked according to package directions.

Makes 4 servings.

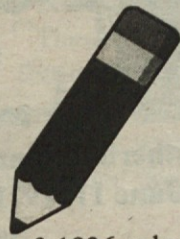
St. Mary's Seniors Meet

St. Mary's Senior Citizens (Collinwood) in Cleveland will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 4 at 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Speaker will be Doris Sadar. Her subject will be on genealogy. It will be membership participation. And you can bring mementos to share.

Members will be taking a trip to Wooster, Ohio on June 18. We will visit very interesting places in the area.

Congratulations to the



Class of 1936 who will be holding a 60th Reunion on June 2nd with Mass at 12 noon and dinner following in the school cafeteria. I am a classmate, so it will be fun to see others again.

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Sylvia Mocnik featured at national folk festival

The 1996 National Folk Festival is coming to Dayton, Ohio, and Sylvia Mocnik from Cleveland, will be a featured demonstrator at the festival's *Working by Hand: traditions of Needle and Wood* area.

Sylvia Mocnik, who was selected from more than 400 traditional artists throughout the Midwest, will be demonstrating Slovenian bobbin lace making at the festival on June 22 and 23.

As a child, Sylvia Mocnik used to watch her mother and father make bobbin lace, but she could never learn from them because the pattern they used was too difficult for a beginner. When they came to the United States from Slovenia in 1928, they brought only one bobbin lace pattern. At that time, they could not buy the patterns in Cleveland.

Consequently, they made the same type of bobbin lace for many decades.

After retiring from teaching in 1987, Sylvia contacted Anna Jesenko, a master Slovenian bobbin lace-maker and asked for lessons in the art. Sylvia and Anna received an Ohio Arts Council master-apprentice grant. This grant pays for materials and reimburses the teacher for her time to teach a traditional art.

The women were close friends and shared work until Anna's death a few years ago. Subsequently, Sylvia has also received master-apprentice grants and has taught some of Anna's younger relatives.

Slovenian bobbin lace is made with wooden bobbins wrapped with cotton thread on a round cylindrical pillow. Bobbin lace making involved moving pairs of bobbins in a certain order to create the shape of the lace. Usually lace makers have a minimum of four pair of

bobbins, and often have as many as 14 pairs in use on one piece of lace. In spite of so many bobbins, a lace maker only uses two pairs at a time and is frequently rotating other pairs in and out for the design.

When a lace maker establishes a tempo and pace to the work, the bobbins hit each other in movement and make a sound that creates a rhythm to the work.

The quality of bobbins is measured by the way they feel in the lace-maker's hand and the sound they make while the artist is working.

Sylvia still maintains connections with her cousins in Slovenia who also make bobbin lace. They all share pieces, patterns and ideas. She also has traveled to Slovenia several times to see her cousins, study lace and lace making and attend lace festivals.

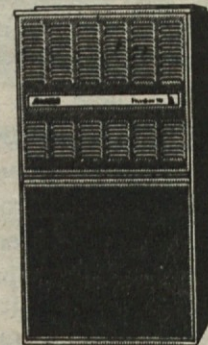
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Papežev telegram nadškofu Suštarju

»Ob vrnitvi s svojega pastoralnega obiska pri dragem mi slovenskem narodu želim izraziti vam in vsej cerkveni skupnosti svojo iskreno zahvalo za pristrčno gostoljubje in za doživete liturgične slovesnosti. Prav posebej cenim skrbno organizacijo, ki je pripomogla k velikemu uspehu mojega apostolskega potovanja. Iz srca prosim Gospoda, naj vam na materinsko priprošnjo Marije Pomagaj podeli bogatih nebeških darov in pomoči. Rad vam vsem pošiljam posebni blagoslov kot znamenje moje trajne dobrohotnosti.«

Po papeževem obisku v Sloveniji: ocene, mnenja, zanimivi podatki

Pretekli petek je bila v Ljubljani tiskovna konferenca, na kateri so sodelovali predstavniki državnega in cerkvenega pripravljalnega odbora, med njimi za državo notranji minister Andrej Šter, za Cerkev pa ljubljanski pomožni škof Alojz Uran. Kar sledi, je povzeto od *Slovenca* z dne 25. maja.

Andrej Šter je povedal, da v dneh obiska na slovenskih cestah kljub gneči ni bilo hujših prometnih zastojev, močno pa je cestno gnečo ublažil dobro organiziran železniški promet. Ministrstvo za obrambo je vključilo okoli 2.600 ljudi, predvsem v okviru Civilne zaščite, ki so poskrbeli za dobro sanitarno oskrbo, pripravili poti za papamobil in oskrbeli kraja obiska z zadostno količino pitne vode. Ministrstvo za zdravstvo je imelo

pripravljenih veliko več zmogljivosti, kot je bilo potrebnih, opravljenih je bilo le 309 manjših pomoči, kar je veliko manj kot so pričakovali. Ministrstvo za notranje zadeve je »operativno pokrivalo« le 19 oseb, ki bi lahko neposredno ogrožali varnost papeža, dobili so 11 anonimnih groženj, v času obiska pa niso pridržali nobene osebe.

Minister Šter je posebej podčrtal dobro sodelovanje cerkvenega in državnega pripravljalnega odbora, sodelovanje je bilo prijetno in učinkovito, za kar so prejeli veliko čestitk in pohval.

Pomožni škof Alojz Uran je dejal, da je obisk dobro uspel ne samo za Cerkev, ampak tudi za državo. Zadovoljni so z množičnostjo obiska, je dejal škof Uran, saj je obisk spremljalo prek 300.000 ljudi. Od tega se jih je na hipodromu v Stožicah zbralo 105 tisoč, v Mariboru več kot 105 tisoč, v Postojni pa se zbralo več kot 55 tisoč večinoma mladih ljudi. Dalje, nekaj deset tisoč ljudi je papeža pozdravljalo na ljubljanskih in mariborskih ulicah, na Brezjah ter na letališčih. Škof je posebej poudaril Postojno, kjer je mladina brez alkohola in droge ustvarila čudovito vzdušje. Direktor vladnega urada za informiranje Borut Šuklje je povedal, da je bilo v času obiska akreditiranih okoli 700 novinarjev, ki so Slovenijo doma in posebno v Evropi in svetu predstavili kot razvito srednjeevropsko državo. Največ pozornosti obisku je bilo opaziti v Evropi.



Pobuda Socialdemokratske stranke za razpis referenduma o volitvah zbrala dovolj podpisov

Socialdemokratska stranka Slovenije, njen predsednik je Janez Janša, je pričela pred tedni z zbiranjem podpisov za referendum, na katerem bi slovenski volilci glasovali za uvedbo večinskega volivnega sistema. Po ustavi bi morala taka javna pobuda zbrati v določenem času najmanj 40.000 podpisov do volitev upravičenih državljanov. Akcija je uspela, kajti je SDS v manj kot mesec dni zbrala kar več kot 43 tisoč podpisov. Pretekli četrtek je Janša izročil te podpise državnemu zboru. Če bo do tega referenduma dejansko prišlo, je pa vprašanje,

ker se je v zadevo v zvezi spremembo volivnega zakona vmešalo tudi Ustavno sodišče Slovenije. Druga težava je v tem, da po ustavi morajo biti parlamentarne volitve najkasneje do konca tega leta. Mnogi dvomijo, da bi bilo mogoče izvesti referendum o volivnem zakonu pravočasno, nato pa, če bi bila sprememba od volilcev odobrena, do konca 1996 imeti redne volitve.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Umetnostna razstava—

V sklopu praznovanja 90. obletnice ustanovitve župnije Marije Vnebovzete bo jutri, 31. maja, zvečer odprtje umetnostne razstave in sicer od 6. do 9. zv. v konferenčni sobi farne šole. Javnost vabljen. Razstava traja do 28. junija, vendar se bo treba za ogled po jutrišnjem odprtju zmeniti za čas (tel. 761-7740). Razstavlja svoja dela: Kistutis Kizevicius, s. Donna Kristoff, Bernard Lavriša, Carole Lavriša, Steve Mitskovich, Helena Perčič, Bea Postotnik, Jhon Ranally ml., Milena Slemc in Dave Vrtačnik.

Papežev obisk na TV—

Obveščeni smo, da bo za naročnike kableske postaje Scola št. 46 v Clevelandu in morda drugih okoliških mestih ponovno predvajanje videotrak o nedavnem papeževem obisku v Sloveniji in sicer to soboto pop. ob 2.30 oz. v nedeljo zj. ob 6.30.

In koroški Slovenci na TV—

Tudi smo obveščeni, da bo lokalna javna TV postaja št. 25 v nedeljo, 9. junija, pop. ob 2h, predvajala kantato »Carmina Burana«, posebna zanimivost tu pa je dejstvo, da igrajo koroški Slovenci, med njimi bodo tudi nekateri, ki so v zadnjih letih gostovali v Clevelandu, v ZDA in Kanadi. Za poslušalce bo predstava hkrati (simulcast) na radio postaji WCLV/95.5FM.

Novi grobovi

William P. Franetic

Umrli je William P. Franetic, sin že pok. Josephine in Rudolpha, brat Mary Fink, Johna, Josepha, Josephine Zupancic ter že pok. Rudolpha, Mildreda in Rudolpha Prhne ter Cyrila. Pogreb je bil 29. maja s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Venceslava.

Frances A. Travnik

Umrli je Frances A. Travnik, rojena Sukovich, vdova po Josephu, mati Glorie Davis in Josepha, 6-krat stara mati, 1-krat prastara mati, sestra Sophie Goga ter že pok. Mary Turk, Johna in Louise Liska, članica SZZ št. 73. Pogreb je bil 28. maja s sv. mašo v cerkvi St. Martin of Tours.

Rudolf Cetina

Umrli je 88 let stari Rudolf Cetina, mož Ann, roj. Gornik, oče Pat in Nancy, brat Williama in Edwarda, zaposlen do upokojitve 25 let pri Eaton Corp. Pogreb je bil 25. maja v oskrbi Grdina-Faulhaber zavoda na Lake Shore Blvd. s sv. mašo v cerkvi Our Lady of Perpetual Help in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Otvoritev Slov. pristave—

To nedeljo bo uradno odprtje za letošnjo sezono Slovenske pristave. Ob 12.30 bo maša, po njej bo na razpolago kosilo. Zaradi zaprtega mostu na I-90 je potreben obvoz, računajte torej na malo več časa za prevoz. Promet poteka normalno iz SP proti Clevelandu.

Piknik Slovenske šole—

Drugo nedeljo, 9. junija, priredi Slovenska šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Ob 12h bo maša, po maši procesija Sv. Rešnjega Telesa (kdor ima narodno nošo je naprošen, da jo obleče za to slovesnost). Po maši bo kosilo (svinjska pečenka ali ocvrti piščanec), cena bo \$10 za odrasle in \$5 za otroke. Pop. bodo otroške igre ter maček v žaklju, za ples bo igral ansambel, sestavljen iz nekaj članov Alpskega seksteta in nekaj novih obrazov. Pridite« (Op. ur.: Prejšnji teden smo pomotoma objavili, da prireja šola kosilo.)

Oltarno društvo pri M.V.—

Oltarno društvo fare Marije Vnebovzete ima to soboto od 9. dop. dalje prodajo peciva in sicer v šolski dvorani. To nedeljo bo pa maša za vse žive in pokojne članice društva, ura molitve bo pa 7. junija po maši ob 7.45 zj., sledil bo sestanek.

V Rožmanov sklad—

Za študente v Mohorjevih domovih so spominske darove darovali: \$20 ga. Ivana Volčjak, v spomin 1. obletnice smrti moža Jožeta; ga. Ani Hočvar je dala \$20 v spomin na moža Ivana ob 8. obletnici smrti; ga. Lojzka Zabukovec pa je poklonila \$10, v spomin na umrlega Franka Pustotnika. Lepo se za darove zahvaljuje pov. J. Prosen.

Okreva—

G. Frank Kern, dolgoletni faran pri Sv. Vidu, okreva po operaciji (by-pass) in možganski kapi, se nahaja v Gateway Health Care zavodu v Euclidu. Obiski so dobrodošli, g. Kernu pa želimo hitrega okrevanja.

Spominska proslava—

V dneh 15. in 16. junija priredi Tabor DSPB spominsko proslavo na Slovenski pristavi. Dne 15. junija bo srečanje s prijatelji in znanci, tisti večer bo imel kratek program DSPB Toronto pri Spominski kapelici. V nedeljo bo maša ob 11h, spominjali bodo 50. obletnico smrti gen. Leona Rupnika. Gl. dopis na str. 11; več drugič.

Prodaja krofov—

Oltarno društvo fare Sv. Vida bo imelo prodajo krofov v soboto, 8. junija, od 8. zj. dalje, v društveni sobi. Pridite in pokupite!

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Slovensko romarsko tridnevje — Bog s teboj!

Ljubljana — Bila je podoba, da se papež Janez Pavel II. kar ne more posloviti od Slovenije. Še je hotel biti med ljudmi, sobrati v škofovski službi, med slovenskimi kulturniki, zbranimi v mariborski stolnici. Veliko lepega je doživel v tem pristrčnem slovenskem tridnevju, neizbrisno bo ostalo tudi v vseh nas. Slovo na letališču se je pomaknilo za dobro uro, kot je bilo predvideno. Množice so bile počaščene še na zadnji papeževi poti v smeri letališča — vse od mestnega jedra do prostora vzleta so se zbrali, da bi mu pomahali v slovo ter se mu v duhu prijazno dotaknili srca.

Pred vzletom se je ob častni četi Slovenske vojske, ob godbi, ob slovenskih škofih, predstavnikih mestnih in državnih oblasti na čelu s predsednikom Milanom Kučanom še enkrat ozrl na vse lepe dneve srečanj s Slovenijo.

Povedal je v svojem poslovnem nagovoru, da je »Slovenija domovina izrednih ljudi«, vernih, poštenih, velikodušnih, izobraženih, ustvarjalnih in kulturnih, »trdno ukoreninjena v svoji tisočletni zvestobi Kristusu in Cerкви«. Prosil je, da bi bili vselej »enotno in složno ljudstvo, družina, sestavljena iz mnogih družin, ki jih povezuje ljubezen in medsebojna pomoč«, da bi ohranjali ter naslednjim rodovom izročali dediščino vere in kulture.

»Ko zapuščam to gostoljubno deželo, bi rad sem izrazil svojo iskreno hvaležnost. Tej državi in njenim državljanom simbolično zaupam svetilko vere, ki je bila prižgana pred 1250 leti. V vseh teh stoletjih ta svetilka kljub dramatičnim spremembam ni nikoli ugasnila. Slovenski kristjani, s to isto svetilko v rokah se zdaj pogumno napotite kot romarji upanja proti tretjemu tisočletju, da boste gradili med seboj spravljen družbo, ki bo zagotavljala mir in slovo vašim otrokom.«

Svoje slovo je sklenil z besedami: »Bog naj blagoslovi Slovenijo, njene prebivalce in njihov trud za pravičnost, solidarnost in mir!«

Za obisk, za spodbudne nagovore v vseh treh dnevih, se je papež zahvalil tudi predsednik Kučan. »Skrbno smo poslušali besede, ki ste jih izrekli ob prihodu na vseh srečanjih, v Ljubljani, Postojni in tu v Mariboru.« Prosil je papeža, naj bi Sveti sedež bil še naprej naklonjen »prizadevanjem naše države za notranji mir in njeno uspešno umestitev v evropske povezovalne ustanove.«

Slovo se je iztekalo. Letalo Adrie Airways je sprejelo potnika, romarja sveta, ki je še v zadnjem trenutku, preden je vstopil, blagoslovljal slovensko deželo in njene prebivalce. Ob 19.45 (19. maja) se je letalo s papežem počasi dvigalo s slovenskih tal. Ob prihodu na rimsko letališče — ob 21.05 — je papež končal 71. pastoralno potovanje. Za njim je bilo doslej natančno milijon kilometrov poti. Pomenljivo je, da je ta milijonti kilometer zaznamovan z najlepšo izjavo papeževega najožjega sopotnika dr. Franceta Rodeta: Z najboljšimi vtisi se je papež vrnil, nadvse je navdušen, bilo je povsod nepopisno lepo, Slovenci — velik narod.

Bog z vami, dnevi velikega obiskanja. Odšlo je teh malo dni — odšlo kot na ukaz. Kar je najlepšega, vselej zbeži kot nagla ptica. Vsi dnevi so glasno govorili. Tja se zasučimo, kjer luči gori-



Materinska proslava Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu

Učenci Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu poklanjajo darove dolgoletni učiteljici Angeli Bolha po končanju lepega petja in deklamacij v njeno priznanje in zahvalo. Prireditev je bila 4. maja 1996.

Priznanje za 43 let zvestega delovanja

CLEVELAND, O. — V soboto, 4. maja, je Slovenska šola pri Sv. Vidu priredila svojo vsakoletno materinsko proslavo. Ob tem slavlju je šola podelila Angeli Bolha odlikovanje v priznanje za njeno 43-letno udejstvovanje pri tej šoli. V uvodu je župnik pri Sv. Vidu, č.g. Jože Božnar, ravnatelj Slovenske šole, lepo predstavil dolgoletno delo Angele Bolhove vsem navzočim v dvorani.

Župnik Jože Božnar o zaslužnem delu Angele Bolhe

Spoštovani zbor učiteljev, odbor staršev Slovenske šole pri fari Sv. Vida, spoštovani prijatelji in dobrotniki Slovenske šole, dragi učenci, rojaki in rojakinje!

Ob letošnji proslavi Materinskega dne, Slovenska šola pri fari Sv. Vida izreka priznanje in zahvalo eni njenih najbolj zvestih sodelavk, ge. Angeli Bolha. Triinštirideset let vztrajnega dela za učence Slovenske šole ni kar tako. Je hvalevredno. Prisluhimo, kaj to pomeni.

Za nas tukaj zbrane, zlasti za te, ki bolj poznamo go. Angelo in poznejših let, naj pričenem tam, kjer se je zanj najprej začelo. Naša slavljenka se je rodila v Goriči vasi pri

Ribnici v družini desetih otrok: štirje fantje in šest deklet. Bratje so že vsi med pokojnimi; tri sestre so v Združenih državah, in tri so v domovini.

Starši so otroke navajali k učenju in višji izobrazbi. Ga. Angela se je odločila za vzgojiteljski poklic. Štiri leta je študirala na Učiteljski šoli šolskih sester v Mariboru. Ko so pa Nemci leta 1941 zasedli Maribor, je z mnogimi zavednimi Slovenci pribežala v Ljubljansko pokrajino. Tu je na državnem učiteljskiču nadaljevala študije in leta 1942 maturirala. Zaradi neurejenih vojnih razmer je nastopila službo v bližini domačega kraja, najprej v Sodražici pri Ribnici in leto pozneje v Ribnici sami.

Obisk folklorne skupine Triglav iz Slovenije

CLEVELAND, O. — Letos bo minilo 35 let od ustanovitve Slovenske pristave, 25. junija t.l. bo pa peta obletnica neodvisnosti Slovenije. V počastitev tega dvojnega jubileja se je odbor Slovenske pristave odločil, da priredi »Slovenski dan«. Iz Slovenije smo povabili skupino »Triglav«, da nam predstavlja plese in šege naših prednikov. Člani skupine prihajajo z Jesenic in okolice. Uprizorili nam bodo več gorenjskih plesov iz goratih predelov Slovenije, nato več belokranjskih in tudi prekmurskih.

Skupina »Triglav« bo gostovala v Ameriki od 17. junija do 1. julija. V tem času bodo obiskali tudi Kanado in ameriško mesto Indianapolis. V Clevelandu bodo imeli nastop v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clairju v petek, 28. junija, s pričetkom ob pol osmih zvečer. Po nastopu bodi njih muzikantje igrali za ples.

Slovenski dan s programom bomo imeli v soboto, 30. junija, na Slovenski pristavi. Poleg folklorne skupine Triglav bodo sodelovali tudi Fantje na vasi, Korotan, in plesna skupina Kres. Ob 12.30 bo sv. maša, nakar bo sledilo kosilo. Pričetek programa bo pa ob treh popoldne. Po programu nam bodo muzikantje Triglava igrali za ples. Za vstopnice in več informacije lahko pokličete Jožeta Zalika na 486-4370 ali pa Bredo Ribič na 943-0621.

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jo — luči za ljubezen, upanje, vero, sožitje. V cvetočem maju nas je obiskal. Stoteri so bili njegovi odmevi. Kot velikanski list je nad deželo zadržalo, na katerega so pisali: Bog, sveti oče in slovensko ljudstvo. Sporočilo za praznično mizo prijateljstva, edinosti, ustvarjalnosti. Veliki glasnik našega časa, apostol Peter našega časa... Z njim smo peli, kot ne moremo peti več doma. Poslušali, kot že dolgo nismo doslej. Sveto slovensko tridnevje — bilo je, kot nam ga Gospod doslej še ni naredil. Vselej nas bo ostalo nekaj tu, kjer smo shodili za nova duhovna obzorja.

Jože Zadravec
Družina, 26. maja 1996

Ob koncu vojne se je pred komunističnim nasiljem umaknila na Koroško in s tisoči drugih ljudi dospela na Vetrinjsko polje. Prav kmalu je že poučevala slovenske otroke pod arkadami vetrinjskega samostana - šola pod milim nebom.

Čez nekaj mesecev se je del slovenskih beguncev preselil v kraj Špital ob Dravi. Tudi tukaj je slovenska skupnost, čeprav materialno uboga, takoj pričela z rednim šolskim poukom za slovenske otroke. Ga. Angela je tu poučevala vsa naslednja štiri leta. Ob večerih je poučevala ročna dela v gospodinjstvi šoli v Špitalu.

Leta 1949 se je izselila iz begunjskega taborišča ter dospela v Cleveland. Odslej je ves čas aktivna članica farne skupnosti pri Sv. Vidu.

Prva leta v novi domovini so zaznamovana z raznimi prizadevanji: z učenjem angleščine, raznimi službami in večerni tečajji na oddelku za računovodstvo na bivšem Fenn Collegeu. Potem je nastopila novo službo pri Bailey Meter Co., od koder se je po 25 letih službe kot nadzornica oddelka za računovodstvo upokojila. Vsa ta leta je seveda poučevala v sobotni Slovenski šoli pri Sv. Vidu.

Preden se je pa ga. Angela upokojila, je ponudila svoje znanje v prid našim starejšim faranom. Ta ponudba izvira iz spoznanja, da mnogi starejši zaidejo v težave, ker ne obvladajo dovolj angleškega jezika. Mnogi niso kos zahtevam na uradih za pokojninske zadeve, za zdravstvene zadeve in kup podobnih stvari. Mnogi so na stara leta povsem osamljeni in prepuščeni sami.

In zato zadnja leta ga. Angela posveča večji del svojega časa obiskom naših bolnikov in osamljenih. Ureja njihove osebne zadeve. Mnogim je edina svetovalka in prijateljica. Tisti, ki od blizu sledimo njenemu delu, občudujemo njeno vztrajnost, potrpežljivost, izredno poznanje pisarniških zadev ter iznajdljivost pri reševanju težav. Tudi to delo je za 'Bog ti povrni!'

Ga. Angela že 43 let nepretrgano sodeluje pri slovenski farni šoli kot učiteljica in več let njena upraviteljica. Kar nekaj generacij slovenskih otrok se je ob njej učilo prvin slovenskega jezika. Najljubši so ji nižji razredi. Njim posveča skrb, ljubezen in nenehno preverjanje učnih snovi in metod. Učencem Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu je podarila več kot 1500 delavnih sobot, ne všteti potrošenih ur za pripravljajanje

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Spet smo se zbrali na Kranjskem hribu...

SAN FRANCISCO, Kalif. — Verni Slovenci in Hrvatje ter drugi naši prijatelji v San Franciscu nadaljujemo borbo za vrnitev naše ga svetišča na Fell cesti in za preklic nadškofijskega odloka o ukinitvi naše župnije. Brez ozira na vreme se zberemo vsako nedeljo dopoldne k molitvi rožnega venca pred našo zaklenjeno cerkvijo, kjer gojimo cvetice na dveh gredicah, na ograjo obesimo križ in Marijino sliko, na stopnice pa damo šopke svežega cvetja ter prižgano lučko. Molimo v treh jezikih in zapojemo Mariji v čast eno hrvatsko in eno slovensko pesem.

Slovesno smo praznovali Veliko noč s sv. mašo v Slovenski dvorani na »Kranjskem hribu« (Portreto Hill). Maševal nam je upokojeni bogoslovni profesor iz Oaklanda Janko Žagar. Žal ne slišimo več zvoneja...

V naših versko svobodnih časih v Sloveniji so slovesno pritrkovali. V čitanki za tretji razred osnovne šole so učenci brali: »Tingel tingel bom bom. Tako je pritrkovalo pri fari. Mati je skladala v jerbas: kolač (to je krona Kristusova), tu so rdečebarni pirhi (kaplje božje krvi), tri korenine hrena (Kristusovi žebli), pečeno jagnje (Kristus je bil nedolžno jagnje za nas darovano)... Jerbas je pregrnila s krasnim velikonočnim prtom, ga dvignila na glavo in pohitela k blagoslovu.« Manjše družine in posamezniki so se pa zadovoljili s košarami ali pa s pisanimi cekarji.

Tudi tukaj so bile ob velikonočno okrašenem oltarju na odru številne, s krasnimi prtički pregrnjene košarice velikonočnih jedil, ki jih je mašnik slovesno blagoslovil. Naš pevski zbor je ob malih orglah pod vodstvom spretnega organista Aleša Šimenca slovesno prepeval naše prelepe slovenske in hrvatske pesmi, Aljoša Ravnik je s svojim polnodonečim glasom v antifoni slovesno oznanjal Kristusovo zmago slavo vstajenje. Okrog 170 vernikov od blizu in daleč, celo iz Chicaga (ga. Ana Gamber), se je udeležilo sv. maše in nato tudi slovesnega kosila. Razveselil nas je otroški »živžav« naše tretje generacije.

Na Materinsko nedeljo nas je bilo nekoliko manj. Tri pridne pomočnice so že odletele v Slovenijo na papežev obisk. S prof. Žagarjem je somaševal

č.g. Janez Šušteršič iz Minnesote, naš priljubljeni in spoštovani brat Dore Šimenc in pok. Mary Kozina.

Naš izkušeni organist Aleš Šimenc nam je z lepim zborovim petjem obudil spomine na pretekle čase lepih majniških nedelj. Oba mašnika sta nas z izbranimi besedami navduševala za zvestobo Kristusu in Njegovi Materi ter za molitev ob obisku sv. očeta v Sloveniji. Predsednik našega odbora (»Cerkev v pregnanstvu«) Ivo Ravnik nam je sporočil o 30-minutnem uradnem sestanku z novim nadškofom, v katerega upamo, da nas bo le pripoznal vredne za skorajšen ugoden odgovor glede naše župnije. Ivo nam je tudi s sliko Brezjanske Marije v roki omenil slovesno romanje originalne milostne slike z Brezij v Stočice-Ljubljana, kjer jo bo pozdravil naš sv. oče kot Kraljico Slovencev.

Ob koncu slovesnosti v dvorani nam je zbor občuteno zapel koroško ponarodelo pesem »Nmau čriez izaro« (Gor čez jezero), ki ima posebno zvezo z našo župnijo. Pok. Fr. Trunk je bil zelo ponosen na dejstvo, da je njegova mama prva zapela to pesem, ko je gospodinjala župniku Franzu Treiberju, ki je zložil napev tej pesmi. Bila je zelo nadarjena pevka, kakor potem tudi njen sin Jurij, ki je ob svojem »železnem« jubileju mašništva (70-letnica), v starosti 95 let še sam pogumno zapel »Glorijo« ob navzočnosti nadškofa McGuckena. Biserno mašo (75 let mašništva) leta 1970, ko je bil star 100 let, je pa želel opraviti sam, četudi je še lahko pel.

To koroško pesem smo leta 1945 v Vetrinju zapeli angleškemu vodstvu, ki je občudovalo krasno melodijo, ni pa ra-

zumelo besedila in ne našega razpoloženja, ko so nam ob petju tekle solze...

Ivo Ravnik nas je obvestil o 30-minutnem »hladnem« sestanku našega odbora (prišel je tudi p. David) v nadškofijski pisarni. Novi nadškof William Levada je sestanek zaključil z zagotovitvijo, da nas bo obvestil...

Vselej nam je po sv. maši na razpolago kaj toplega, dobrega in tečnega za okrepičilo telesa in razvedrilo duha, saj se vselej razvije zelo živahen razgovor med starimi in novimi znanci in prijatelji. Pristrčna hvala vsem, ki dobrote prinese, in tistim, ki z njimi postrežete! Na Materinski dan ste pa še posebej izkazali ljubezen in spoštovanje s krasnimi nageljčki.

V mladih letih smo veselo prepevali:

*Juhejsa, juhaj!
Prekrasen je maj.
Žgolevajo ptiči,
prepevajo griči.
Fantiči, dekličiči!
Zapojmo kot ptički!
Zapojmo Devici,
nebeški Kraljici!
Juhejsa, juhaj!
Prekrasen je maj.*

Angela Gospodarič

ANGELA BOLHA

(nadaljevanje s str. 10)

učnih načrtov, koregiranja domačih nalog, učiteljskih sestankov ter časa za pripravljavanje številnih prireditev Slovenske šole. Mnogokrat je izbrala in iz svojega žepa plačala slovenske knjige, ter jih podarila Slovenski šoli.

Danes se ge. Angeli zahvaljujemo za vse njeno delo pri Slovenski šoli. Učenci ji poklanjajo izbrane darove kot izraz hvalečnosti in spoštovanja. Te stvari ne odtehtajo zvestobe in garanja, so le znamenje zaslužnega priznanja učencev, staršev in učiteljev Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu ge. Angeli za njenih 43 let dela pri tej šoli.

Gospa Angela, prejmite naše iskrene čestitke in zahvalo!

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Spominjali se bomo...

CLEVELAND, O. — Člani in prijatelji društva Tabor se bomo 15. in 16. junija zbrali na Slovenski pristavi, da se v molitvi spomnimo rajnih domobrancev in obnovimo zvestobo Bogu, narodu in domovini.

Letos bomo proslavljali z mešanimi občutki. Po polstoletni dobi je luč prodrla v temo kočevskih gozdov, da je resnica vstala iz brezna smrti. Za mučence se je tam darovala sv. maša. Njih imena so na spominskih ploščah širom Slovenije. Nešteto pričevanj je dokazalo, da niso padli v boju z rodnimi brati. Bili so neoboroženi zvičajno izročeni rabljem. Brez obtožbe, zaslišanja in sodnega postopka so bili zločinsko pomorjeni. Zvesti Bogu so šli z molitvijo v smrt kakor prvi kristjani v Koliseju, ko so zrl v levja žrela. Toda vlada države Slovenije ni priznala, da je bila njih smrt brutalen zločin. Proglasila je spravo s samo seboj in pozvala zdomce k narodni spravi.

Ko vidimo nekaznovane grozote ubijanja širom po svetu, bi mogli misliti, da pravice ni več. Temu pa ni tako. Noben neporavnan zločin ne uide kazni. Bog daje vsakemu človeku vest, po kateri sodi njegovo življenje in njegova dejanja. On vse vidi in vse ve, poplača dobro in kaznuje hudo. Prav nikomur se ne zgodi krivica.

Izvajanje komunističnega programa in pobijanje nedolžnih, zlasti duhovnikov, je bil eden vzrokov, da so se mnogi fantje pridružili domobrancem. Ta vzrok pa še vedno obstoja, zato je treba borbo nadaljevati. Seveda ne z orožjem, ampak s srčno molitvijo. V preteklosti smo nekaj desetletij molili za spreobrnjenje Rusov. Nismo videli uspeha naših prošenj — dokler se ni proti pričakovanju boljševidem nenadoma sam po sebi sesul. Zakaj ne bi mogli moliti za spreobrnjenje slovenskih brezbožnikov? Sveta Mati božja in nadangel Mihael bosta naša zaveznika. Njiju naj se brezbožniki boje, nas pa ne, kajti »napredek in prosveta, to naša bo osveta«. (JS)

J.K.

Sprava po hrvaško

Posmrtni ostanki Josipa Broza Tita kmalu v Kumrovcu

V hrvaškem uradu v Beogradu so Titovi vdovi Jovanki Broz izročili potni list, ker je prek najmlajšega Titovega sina Miše Broza, svetnika za gospodarstvo v hrvaškem veleposlaništvu v Moskvi, že pred dvema letoma izrazila željo, da bi se preselila na Hrvaško. Kaže pa, da se na Hrvaško vračajo ne samo posmrtni ostanki Vlatka Mačka (HSS), temveč tudi Anteja Pavelića in Josipa Broza Tita.

»Če smo lahko ustvarili Hrvaško na temelju sprave med živimi, zakaj ne bi dopustili, da se posmrtni ostanki teh ljudi vrnejo v državo,« je v svojem zadnjem intervjuju izjavil predsednik dr. Franjo Tuđman. Tokrat je namenil precej izbranih besed tudi Titovi vlogi v hrvaški politiki in svetovni zgodovini. »Povedal bom povsem odkrito: pred 35 leti nisem soglašal s Krležo, ki je trdil, da je Tito najuspešnejši hrvaški politik vseh časov. Ko sem se pozneje prepričal, da svet, v katerem živimo, ni naklonjen samostojni Hrvaški, sem čedalje bolj spoznaval, da je dobršen del resnice v tej sodbi. Poleg tega, kjer koli se pojavim, v ZN, Aziji, Afriki, vprašajo po Titu, in ko jim povemo, da je bil Hrvat in eden najuglednejših voditeljev tretjega sveta, nas lažje sprejemajo tudi kot predstavnike samostojne Hrvaške. Zakaj potemtakem ne bi Tita vrnili v njegov rojstni kraj,« pravi dr. Tuđman, ki je v uvodnem razmišljanju o Josipu Brozu dejal, da bo v svetovni zgodovini zapisan kot eden izmed najbolj izpostavljenih voditeljev 2. svetovne vojne in kot državnik, ki se je leta 1948 sprl s Stalinom. (Op. ur. Svob. Slov.: Kot kaže je Tuđman pozabil na Titovo revolucionarno preteklost, vodstvo komunistične diktature in pokole — največ Hrvatov.)

Tuđmanova pobuda je naletela na izjemen odziv v hrvaški javnosti, predvsem v tistem delu, ki si ne more zamisliti sprave z mrtvimi Hrvati, ker so pripadali povsem nasprotnojočim si politikam in dejanjem. Zamisel dr. Franja Tuđmana o vračanju posmrtnih ostankov Josipa Broza Tita iz Beograda v Kumrovac je pozdravil Mišo Broz — za Večernji list je izjavil, da se je o tem že pogovarjal s polbratom Žarkom (ki je zdaj tudi že mrtev). »Iz Beograda v Kumrovac bi morali preseliti ves spominski center,« pravi Mišo Broz. Pač pa je ob predlogu dr. Franja Tuđmana o preselitvi posmrtnih ostankov poglavnika NDH dr. Anteja Pavelića v domovino ostala povsem hladna njegova hči Višnja Pavelić. »Brez komentarja,« je izjavila.

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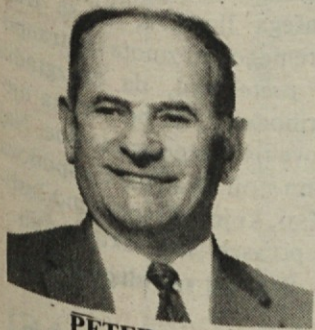
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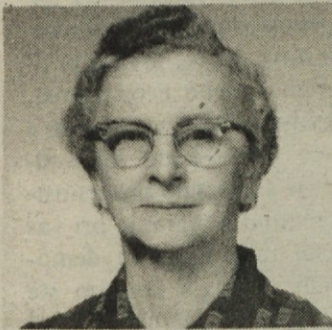
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V BLAG IN NEPOZABEN SPOMIN OB OBLETNICAH NAŠIH STARŠEV PETRA IN LOJZKE TRPIN



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Govor predsednika Republike Slovenije Milana Kučana ob prihodu papeža Janeza Pavla II. na letališče Brnik 17. maja 1996

Vaša svetost,

iskreno Vas pozdravljam na dolgo pričakovanem obisku v Sloveniji! Moje zadovoljstvo in veselje delijo državljanke in državljani naše domovine, katoličani in drugi kristjani, vsi ljudje dobre volje. Dobrodošli med nami!

S pričakovanji, razumevanjem in odobravanjem spremljamo Vaše vztrajno prizadevanje, da bi človeštvo, še posebej pa najbolj odgovorne politike, pridobili za najbolj resnično resnico časa, ki ga živimo. Človeštvo na prelomu tisočletja nima druge izbire, kot da si uredi svet v miru in medsebojnem spoštovanju, brez nasilja in vojne. Svet, ki bo spoštoval vsakršno drugačnost: kulturno, politično, duhovno in etnično. Skupaj z Vami verjamem, da ljudje to zmoremo. V tak svet je po mnogih tragičnih preizkušnjah tega stoletja naravnano naše upanje. Če bi vsi, še posebej državniki, resno premislili Vaše vztrajno priporočanje, bi bil svet, v katerega smo narojeni, ljudem gotovo bolj prijazen, kot je v resnici.

Konec drugega tisočletja je postavil temelje planetarne zavesti o tem, da obstaja en sam človeški svet, do katerega imamo pravico vsi zemljani. Da obstaja na tem svetu življenje, za katero smo odgovorni in so nam ga zapustili rodovi pred nami, mi pa ga zapuščamo tistim, ki prihajajo za nami.

Po streho takšnega sveta se bo, tako upam, mogla uresničevati tudi Vaša zamisel o civilizaciji ljubezni, o kateri ste izjemno prepričljivo govorili na lanskem zasedanju OZN. Hočemo v to verjeti in hočemo za to kaj storiti sami. Nasprotujemo ubijanju in zlorabam, lakoti in surovosti, sovraštvu in nasilju, nestrpnosti, ponižanjem in izkoriščanju, ki so še vedno usodna sestavina načina življenja v mnogih državah, tudi v Evropi.

Varnost, družbena pravičnost in spoštovanje dostojanstva človeka, njegovih osebnih in narodnih pravic, spoštovanje človekovega dela so marsikje še vedno le težko dosegljiv ideal, o čemer ste sami dobro prepričali pri številnih srečanjih z ljudmi po vsem svetu. Ostra in ohrabrujoča je bila tedaj Vaša graja.

Naša država je zadnja štiri leta živela na samem robu vojnih grozot v Bosni in Hercego-

vini ter na Hrvaškem. Čutili smo mrzle sape skrajnega nasilja in smrti, ki je apokaliptično kosila v teh krajih. Bolj kot vojaki so bili žrtve otroci, ženske, ostareli, onemogli, nemočni.

Vaša svetost je bila ena tistih redkih preudarnih in pogumnih osebnosti v svetu, ki je od vsega začetka, od leta 1991 dalje, z jasno besedo razločevala med napadalci in žrtvami. Terjali ste konec sprenevedanja in odločna dejanja mednarodne skupnosti, da bi se prenehali spopadi. Žal se je to zgodilo šele konec preteklega leta.

Vojna opustošenja in nasilje, ki je do skrajnosti poniževalo človeško dostojanstvo, so opomin človeštvu. Spet enkrat so ga postavila pred preizkušnjo, ali bo zmoglo ostati zvesto načelom in vrednotam, ki se jim je zavezalo, ali pa bo klonilo pred surovo močjo in nasiljem, ki v svojem uničevalnem besu grozita pokončati vse, kar je vrednega ustvaril človeški duh.

Vaša svetost,

Slovenci že stoletja skupaj z drugimi narodi naše celine ustvarjajo zahodnoevropsko krščansko civilizacijo. Naši karantanski predniki so sprejeli krščanstvo pred 1250 leti. Pred tisoč leti so nastali Brižinski spomeniki, naš najstarejši ohranjeni kulturni in verski dokument, katehetsko liturgično besedilo v slovenskem jeziku.

Krščanska Cerkev in cerkveni odličniki so veliko, morda odločilno pomagali pri ohranitvi slovenskega naroda skozi dolga obdobja njegove neprijazne zgodovine, mu pomagali utrjevati narodno samozavest in samospoštovanje, kar je pripeljalo do slovenske države.

Morda bi temu, da smo bili močnejši od nenaklonjene zgodovine in da smo se obdržali kot narod kljub nasilnemu potujčevanju, ki je pritiskalo na naše narodno telo, lahko rekli čudež.

Uspelo nam je tudi zato, ker

so se med nami rodili ljudje, kot so bili Primož Trubar in drugi krščansko-protestantski pisci, ki so s prevodom knjige vseh knjig leta 1584 povzdignili slovenščino v cerkveni in literarni jezik; s tem prevodom in z drugimi deli v slovenskem jeziku so pred pol tisočletja postavili temelje slovenskemu slovstvu, jeziku in narodni samozavesti.

Veliki mož slovenstva je bil tudi mariborski škof Anton Martin Slomšek, ki je odločno in neizprosno branil slovenski jezik in kulturo pred napadalno in surovo germanizacijo. Narodov spomin ne bo nikoli pozabil teh velikih mož. Prav tako ne bo pozabil, da se je Sveti sedež že zgodaj leta 1992 odločil med prvimi priznati novo slovensko državo.

Odločil se je priznati nova dejstva, ki so nastala z zlomom ideoloških in političnih delitev v Evropi, ker je bolje od drugih razumel znamenja novih časov. Dal je zgled in pogum drugim državam. Prav to mednarodno priznanje nam je ob še drugih okoliščinah pomagalo, da smo se morda zadnji hip ognili uničenju, trpljenju, žrtvam in moralnim škodbam, kakršne bi prinesla dolgotrajna vojna vihra tudi na naših tleh. Lahko smo v miru začeli novo življenje v lastni državi.

Vaša svetost,

upravljalci Slovenije so skupaj z močno razvitimi civilnimi političnimi gibanji že precej pred padcem berlinskega zidu uvajali korenite družbene spremembe in pripravljali prehod v večstrankarsko parlamentarno demokracijo. V temelje nove družbene organizacije so vgradili spoštovanje človekovega dostojanstva in varstvo njegovih pravic.

Tako se je zgodila cvetna nedelja leta 1990 s prvimi večstrankarskimi volitvami. Omočil jih je dogovor poglavitnih političnih dejavnikov, tistih, ki so tako kot tudi ob osamosvojitvenem plebiscitu ob božiču istega leta zmogli poiskati soglasje glede prihodnosti slovenskega naroda njegove države ter za to tudi prevzeli osebno, politično in moralno odgovornost. Tako tudi vojaško nasilje nad nami v poletju 1991 ni moglo zlomiti trdne vere in enotnosti Slovencev in vseh državljanov Slovenije, da se osamosvojimo in prenovimo družbo v skladu z evropskimi merili in vrednotami evropske civilizacije, vgrajene v temelje prve slovenske države v sodobni zgodovini.

Zavedamo se, da je poleg gosodarskih in političnih sprememb, ki nam jih je zaradi enotnosti Slovencev in tokrat izjemne naklonjenosti zgodovine uspelo izpeljati, enako ali še posebej pomembna tudi skrb za duhovno življenje za univerzalne moralne in življenjske vrednote, ki imajo

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Govor papeža Janeza Pavla II. ob prihodu v Slovenijo na letališču Brnik 17. maja 1996

Gospod predsednik!

Dragi državljani Republike Slovenije!

Vesel sem, ko prvič prihajam v vašo domovino, v to deželo, posejano z neštetimi zvoniki, cerkvami in kapelicami, ki pričajo o globokih krščanskih koreninah vašega ljudstva.

Hvaležen sem vam za pristržno dobrodoščilo. Kako lepo je obogatil glas zvonov, ki je po vsem ozemlju vaše države oznanil veselje slovenskega ljudstva ob obisku Petrovega naslednika.

Od srca pozdravljam predsednika republike gospoda Milana Kučana in se mu zahvaljujem za prijazne pozdravne besede, izrečene v imenu vsega naroda. Ob njem pozdravljam tudi predsednika vlade, vso vlado in člane diplomatskega zbora.

Posebej se želim obrniti na slovenske škofove, vesel sem njihove bratske navzočnosti. Prav tako s hvaležnostjo pozdravljam predstavnike Pravo-slavne Cerkve, Evangeličanske cerkvene skupnosti in člane drugih krščanskih skupnosti, ki so se tukaj zbrali.

Pri sprejemu rimskega škofa, romarja na slovenski zemlji, je navzoča tudi močna skupina Slovencev po svetu, ki so s tem pričevanjem vere želeli obogatiti naše skupno veselje. Njim in vsem, katere zastopajo, velja moj pozdrav; zagotavljam vam, da ste mi resnično pri srcu.

Enako pristrčno pozdravljam tudi Italijane in Madžare, pa tudi Hrvate, Srbe, Bošnjake in člane drugih narodov, ki so navzoči na tem srečanju. Medtem ko želim, da bi Slovenija ostala zvesta svoji poklicanosti biti križišče ljudstev in most med slovanskim, germanskim, latinskim in madžarskim svetom, pa tudi izrekam goreče prošnje in molitve, da bi prišlo do pravičnega in trajnega miru na evropskem jugovzhodu in bi vsako ljudstvo moglo živeti svobodno in spoštovano v lastni deželi.

Do prvega papeževega pastoralnega obiska v Sloveniji prihaja potem, ko ste že dosegli samostojnost. Ta novi zgodovinski položaj, v katerem se nahaja vaše ljudstvo, še povečuje moje veselje med vami.

Apostolski sedež, ki je z naklonjenostjo pozdravil oblikovanje nove države in med prvimi priznal njeno neodvisnost, obenem pa močno poudaril pravico ljudstev do samoodločbe, je s posebno pozornostjo spremljal dogajanje pri vas in cenil miroljubni in demokratični način, s katerim ste dosegli polno suverenost. Tudi danes Sveti sedež podpira napore, s katerimi se srečujete, ko skušate premagati neogibne težave, povezane z novim obdobjem vaše zgodovine, in vas spodbuja, da v najbolj pristnih krepostih vašega naroda in v krščanski veri pogumno iščete moč za skupno ustvarjanje vaše prihodnosti.

Obhajanje 1250. obletnice spreobrnjenja vašega ljudstva h krščanski veri vam ponuja priliko, da ovrednotite in znova začutite, kako je srečanje narodov z Jezusom Kristusom prineslo več človeškosti na svet. Ta dogodek ne zadeva le Cerkve, je tudi zelo pomemben mejnik v zgodovini vsega naroda.

Spomin na začetek evangelizacije med vašimi predniki mora zato biti prilika, da odkrijete svoje starodavne korenine in odprete nove perspektive vaši kulturi. Prav sprejetje krščanske vere je dalo pobudo za sestavo prvih pisanih dokumentov v vaši materinščini. Zelo pomenljivo je, da vsebujejo molitvene obrazce in besedila Svetega pisma.

V teku stoletij je bila potem pripadnost evangeliju odločilna prвина pri oblikovanju značaja vašega naroda. In ker ni bilo neodvisne civilne oblasti, je prav cerkvena avtoriteta bistveno vplivala na ohranitev vaše narodne samobitnosti, na spodbujanje najbolj notranjih in najglobljih hrepenenj ljudstva in na obvarovanje temeljnih vrednot.

Vaša dežela, prepojena z znojem in pogosto tudi s krvjo svojih delavnih in velikodušnih prebivalcev, je porodila svetle verne osebnosti, med katerimi izstopa častitljivi Božji služabnik Anton Martin Slomšek. S pogledom na te svoje otroke je narod zmogel najti moč za premagovanje težkih trenutkov, ostati ponosen na lastne korenine in ohraniti upanje, odprto v prihodnost.

Cerkev, okrepljena v preizkušnjah in nedavne preteklosti, in zvesta svojemu poslanstvu v slovenski deželi, tudi danes noče nič drugega kot služiti in se razdajati v blagor vseh. Zato si postavlja nalogo, da z obnovljenim poletom oznanja Jezusa Kristusa, da ponuja vsem, zlasti še mladim, smisel življenja in razloge za upanje, in da vse kliče k spravi in solidarnosti.

Dragi bratje in sestre v Sloveniji! Želim vam, da bi apostolski obisk, ki ga danes začejam med vami, prispeval k moralni in krščanski prenovi vašega ljudstva, ki se trudi premagovati zmote in stranutti preteklosti, da bi zgradili prihodnost, ki bo vredna njegove tisočletne zgodovine. Naj vam stoji ob strani Gospodova Mati, ki jo tako pristrčno častite po vseh slovenskih krajih.

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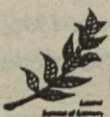
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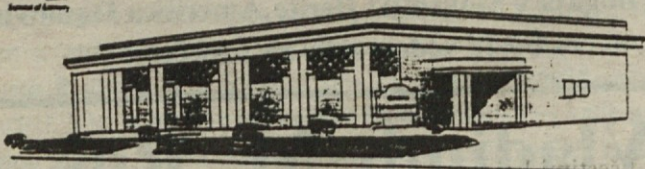
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Spoštovani bratje v škofovstvu in duhovništvu, dragi redovniki in redovnice, bratje in sestre!

V veliko veselje mi je, da se lahko srečam z vami, ki na različne načine z vso skrbnostjo služite Božjemu ljudstvu ali pa se pripravljate na to zahtevno poslanstvo.

Prisrčno pozdravljam pastirja nadškofije msgr. Alojzija Šuštarja, njegova pomožna škofa in vse slovenske škofe. Po njih naj moj pozdrav doseže vse slovensko ljudstvo.

Srečali smo se pri slovesnem obhajanju večernic v veliko-nočnem času, tako blizu slovenskega binkoštnega praznika, ki je že skoraj pred vrati. Čutimo, kakor da se tukaj obnavlja tisto izkustvo prve skupnosti, ko so apostoli v dneh pred prihodom Svetega Duha »enodušno vztrajali v molitvah z ženami, z Jezusovo materjo Marijo in z njegovimi brati« (Apd 1,14).

Tudi mi, dragi bratje in sestre, smo se zbrali v molitvi skupaj z nebeško Materjo, da bi Gospoda prosili, naj ponovi izliti Svetega Duha. Cerkev v Sloveniji, kakor tudi po vseh deželah sveta, potrebuje Božjo moč Duha, da bo nadaljevala delo nove evangelizacije. Naj delo nove evangelizacije, vsemu cerkvenemu občestvu, posebno pa še škofom, duhovnikom in posvečenim osebam, bodo sposobni izpolniti svoje poslanstvo v službi evangelija.

V preskušnjah, ki so v teku stoletij zadevale slovensko ljudstvo, se pastirji Cerkve niso umikali, ampak so stopali naprej, oznanjali evangelij življenja ter branili dostojanstvo in neodtujljive pravice vsakega

človeka. To so s še toliko večjim pogumom pokazali v nedavnih letih, med fašizmom, nacizmom in komunizmom.

Kako naj se ne bi spomnili junaškega zgleda neustrašne predanosti škofov, duhovnikov, redovnikov in redovnic, ki so s trdno vero v Božjo previdnost delili usodo Božjega ljudstva? In kako naj ne bi omenili delovanja mnogih duhovnikov in posvečenih oseb ne samo na verskem in dobrodelnem področju, ampak tudi na področju kulture, šolstva, znanosti in gospodarstva?

Med mnogimi svetlimi zgledi še posebej izstopa lik izjemnega pastirja in popolnoma predanega služabnika črede, častitljivega Božjega služabnika Antona Martina Slomška, čigar postopek za kanonizacijo se srečno približuje h koncu.

Vam, duhovniki, vam, redovniki in redovnice, vam, misijonarji evangelija, želim danes izraziti svoje hvaležno priznanje za vse, kar ste pri posnemanju zgledov teh junaških pričevalcev naredili v težkih preteklih letih.

Spomin na preteklost vas mora spodbuditi k načrtovanju prihodnosti. Če hoče Cerkev v Sloveniji ostati zvesta svojemu izročilu in zlasti evangeliju, je danes poklicana k temu, da se usmeri k novim ciljem in se ustrezno pripravi na vstop v tretje tisočletje vere. To zahteva obnovljeno gorečnost in neomajno zvestobo Kristusu in njegovemu odrešenjskemu oznanilu.

Dragi duhovniki! Če je »krščansko bivanje duhovno življenje, oziroma življenje, ki ga Duh poživlja in vodi naproti svetosti ali popolnosti ljube-

zni« (*Dal vam bom pastirjev*, 19), potem velja to še v posebni meri za duhovnika. Slovenska beseda »duhovnik« označuje človeka, ki je prežet s Kristusovim duhom, označuje osebo, ki prinaša tega Duha. Vendar pa tega poslanstva ne more izpolniti sam, ločeno od drugih, povezan mora biti s sobraty in še zlasti s svojim škofom.

Duhovnik je »človek za skupnost«. Že v spodbudi »*Dal vam bom pastirjev*« sem zapisal: »Duhovniška služba ima v svoji osnovi 'skupnostno obliko' in jo je mogoče opravljati samo kot 'skupno delo'. Ob tej občestveni obliki duhovništva se je koncil dolgo zadržal, ko je natančno raziskoval odnos duhovnika do njegovega škofa, do drugih duhovnikov in do laikov« (17).

Prednostna naloga nove evangelizacije zato zahteva take duhovnike, ki bodo »do korenin in celostno prežeti s Kristusovo skrivnostjo in sposobni uresničevati nov slog pastoralnega življenja, ki ga označuje globoka povezanost s papežem, s škofi in med seboj, pa tudi rodovitno sodelovanje z laiki, ob spoštovanju in spodbujanju različnih vlog, karizem in služb znotraj cerkvene skupnosti« (prav tam, 18).

V okvir tega služenja občestvu sodi tudi celibat. Duhovnik naj ga ne živi kot nekakšno »ceno«, ki jo je treba plačati za posvečenje, ampak - kakor je močno poudarjeno v izročilu latinske Cerkve - kot najvišjo podaritev samega sebe, da bi bil ves za Boga in ves za druge. V zameno za takšno podaritev božji Učitelj v evangeliju zagotavlja stoterbo po-



vračilo in večno življenje (prim. Mt 19,29).

Obračam pa se tudi na vas, dragi redovniki in redovnice, ki ste v Cerкви poklicani, da globlje živite 'spremenjeno' življenje, s tem da izpovedujete evangeljske svete (prim. Posvečeno življenje, 20). Vaša poklicanost vam nalaga, da iščete Božje kraljestvo z osebnim posvečevanjem in veliko-dušno sodelujete za poživitev krščanstva v vašem okolju (prim. prav tam, 35). To vam bo uspelo toliko, kolikor boste znali postaviti evharistijo v središče svojega življenja, tako da bo vaša molitev postala kakor dihanje vašega vsakdanjega dela.

Vaša popolna podaritev, ki se krepi v nenehnem pogovoru z Gospodom, vam bo pomagala, da ne boste podlegli »duhu« časa. Bratsko življenje, »*sentire cum Ecclesia*«, povezanost s škofom in z vsemi členi krajevne Cerkve, vse to bo pomagalo, da bodo obilno obrodile karizme, ki ste jih prejeli od Duha v blagor vsega krščanskega ljudstva (prim. prav tam, 42-51).

Gojite globoko predanost Mariji, Devici, Materi in Kraljici Slovenije, na katero se vi obračate s tako lepim imenom »Marija Pomagaj«. Mar ni v vaši deželi prav vam, dragi redovniki in redovnice, zaupana skrb za največje Marijine božje poti, med katerimi so zelo znane Brezje, Ptujška gora in Sveta gora? Kot varuhi in spodbujevalci marijanske pobožnosti, ki zavzema pomembno mesto v krščanski duhovnosti, bodite živ zgled tistih kreposti, ki žarijo v Gospodovi Materi. Ona vam bo pokazala pot, ki vodi h Kristusu (prim. prav tam, 28).

Pred šestimi leti sem v božjepotnem svetišču v Velehradu napovedal prvo posebno zasedanje škofovske sinode za Evropo. Danes, na tem pomembnem srečanju, pa želim naznaniti, da nameravam sklicati

še pred nastopom tretjega tisočletja drugo sinodalno srečanje za Evropo, ki bo skupaj s sinodami za druge celine podpiralo Cerkev na poti priprave za sveto leto 2000 (prim. *V zarji tretjega tisočletja*, 38).

Prav posebni nagibi so me privedli do sklicanja prvega sinodalnega zasedanja: treba je bilo skupno oceniti nove stanje, ki je vzniknilo po znanih dogodkih v letu 1989, da bi lahko potem sprejeli ustrezne pastoralne pobude. Poznejši razvoj, ki ni bil vedno pozitiven, pa zahteva sedaj od pastirjev krščanskih skupnosti, da vsestransko izrabijo ogromne duhovne sile naše celine in tako omogočijo, da se začne zaželena doba resnične duhovne in družbene preroditve. Že sedaj zaupajmo to sinodalno zasedanje nebeški priprošnji svetega Benedikta in svetih bratov Cirila in Metoda, sozavečnikov Evrope.

Dragi duhovniki in posvečene osebe, družba pričakuje od vas nenehno duhovno pomoč in potrebuje vaše dosledno evangeljsko pričevanje. Pristopite k vsem ljudem z veliko-dušnim in odprtim srcem. Z dobroto in odločnostjo privedite svoje brate, da bodo v polnosti zaživelj svojo poklicanost otrok edinega nebeškega Očeta, ki hoče, da bi se vsi zveličali (prim. 1 Tim 2,4).

Vaše ljudstvo preživlja obdobje korenitih sprememb. Medtem ko se skuša postopoma osvoboditi negativnih posledic totalitarne ideologije, ki ga je močno zaznamovala v preteklosti, se z vsemi močmi trudi za oblikovanje bolj bratske in demokratične družbe. Temu dogajanju je treba posvetiti še prav posebno pozornost. Samo tako bo namreč mogoče preprečiti, da ne bo na izpraznjeno mesto prejšnje ideologije prišla neka druga, nič manj nevarna, ideologija neobzdranega liberalizma.

Zdaj živite v letih prehodne (dalje na str. 14)



Pred brezjansko baziliko

Papež ob srečanju z duhovniki

(nadaljevanje s str. 13)

ga obdobja in vaša beseda, ki jo spremlja zgled, je neogibno potrebna, kakor je bilo nekdanje potrebno Mojzesovo vodstvo. On je trdno zaupal v Boga in je uspešno vodil izvoljeno ljudstvo na težkem prehodu iz suženjstva v pravo svobodo (prim. 1 Mz 14, 15-31).

Izročam vam to nalogo in sem prepričan, da o boste z Božjo pomočjo mogli v polnosti uresničiti. V sedanje napore za materialno in moralno obnovo vaše dežele vtisnite znamenje zaupanja in optimizma. Na ta način boste bistveno prispevali k družbenemu in duhovnemu preporodu ljubljene slovenskega naroda. Skrbite predvsem za to, da boste nove rodove vzgojili za sprejem odgovornosti, ki jih čakajo.

Ko to razmišljamo, je treba še posebno skrb posvetiti tako duhovniškimi kot redovniškimi poklicem. Sicer drži, da je vsa krščanska skupnost poklicana k molitvi in konkretnemu delu, da »Gospod žetve pošlje delavce na svojo žetev« (Lk 10,2). Vendar pa se prav posebno zahteva od vas, da posvečate posebno pozornost semenom poklica, ki jih Gospod tudi danes seje v mnoga mlada srca.

S tem v zvezi mislim na posebno odgovornost duhovnikov, ki delujejo v dušnem pastirstvu. Njihova dolžnost je, da opogumljajo tiste, ki zaznajo Gospodov klic, in jih podpirajo, korak za korakom, na njihovi poti. Skrbijo naj tudi za to, da bodo spodbujali

starše, naj prepoznavajo in sprejemajo znake poklicanosti pri svojih otrocih.

Z ljubeznijo se obračam tudi na vas, dragi bogoslovci in semeniščniki, novinke in novinci, kakor tudi na vse študente teologije. Vaše mladostno navdušenje, hrepenenje po pristnih vrednotah, ki ga gojite, in ljubezen, ki jo imate do Kristusa, predstavljajo močan razlog za upanje v Cerkev.

Vi ste poklicani, da v naslednjih desetletjih neposredno služite Božjemu ljudstvu. Zavzeto in resno se pripravljajte na to poslanstvo. Študiju in vzgoji v semeniščih in noviciatih naj daje življenjski utrip molitev, odklikuje naj ju medsebojno sprejemanje in ljubezen do vseh. Radovoljno sodelujte s svojimi vzgojitelji. Mladnostni zagon, ki vas poživlja, naj razsvetljuje in ogreva okoli, v katerem se pripravljate na svoj poklic.

Dragi bratje v škofovstvu, dragi duhovniki, dragi redovniki in redovnice, dragi bratje in sestre: slovensko ljudstvo vas potrebuje. Evropa in svet vas potrebuje, ker potrebuje

M. Kučan ob prihodu papeža na Brnik

(nadaljevanje s str. 12)

svoje naravne korenine tudi v zahodnoevropski krščanski civilizaciji, v filozofiji življenja z ljubeznijo, v medsebojnem spoštovanju, strpnosti in nesebični pomoči drugemu in drugačnemu.

Zdaj imamo Slovenci enkratno priložnost, da v imenu skupne odgovornosti za slovensko državo, ki jo je na civiliziran način ustvaril sedaj večji rod Slovencev, in v skupnem delu za novo prihodnost ter brez sovraštva in tragičnih delitev, ki se hranijo iz zgodovine, ozdravimo mnoge rane. Zadala nam jih je velikokrat neprijazna in surova preteklost, tudi tista, ki nas je hotela, podobno kot Vašo rodno Poljsko, med drugo svetovno vojno izbrisati s sveta in nas je dvignila v upor.

Strpnost, medsebojno spoštovanje, obžalovanje, sprava s pravico do več pogledov na to, kaj se je v resnici zgodilo v preteklosti, in odgovornost za prihodnost naj nam pomagajo, da ne bi še kdaj dvignil roke zoper svoj narod, zoper svoje brate. Vaši klici k strpnosti in medsebojnemu spoštovanju, namenjeni vsem ljudem dobre volje, nas v teh naših načrtih podpirajo in opogumljejo.

Vaša svetost,

pozdravljam Vas med nami! Prinašate nam poslanico miru, sprave in spoštovanja. Dobrodošli ste pri nas. Želim, da bi to občutili in se dobro počutili, mi pa bomo z radostjo, da ste med nami, skupaj z Vami praznovali še Vaš rojstni dan kot simbolični dan Vašega poslanstva. Ob njem Vam izrekam skupno slovensko voščilo in najboljše želje!

jeta Kristusa. Njemu ste se »posvetili«. Stopili ste v njegovo službo po zakramentu svetega reda ali po redovniški posvetitvi. Obnovite danes svojo obljubo in nadaljujte na tej poti z vedrino in zaupanjem!

Izročam vas Mariji, prvi učenci vstalega Kristusa, ki jo po pravici kličemo »Kraljica apostolov«. Naj ona, »Zvezda nove evangelizacije«, vodi vaše korake in vas podpira na težki vsakdanji poti, da boste znali vztrajno in velikodušno slediti svojemu poklicu.

Ne pozabite, da je »zvesti Bog, ki vas je poklical v občestvo s svojim Sinom Jezusom Kristusom, našim Gospodom« (1 Kor 1,9) in vedite, da vam je s svojo molitvijo blizu tudi papež, ki vam zdaj iz srca podeljuje svoj blagoslov v imenu Očeta in Sina in Svetega Duha.

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10. in 11. — **Zveza Oltarnih društev in Slomškov krožek imata romanje k Mariji Pomagaj v Lemontu.**

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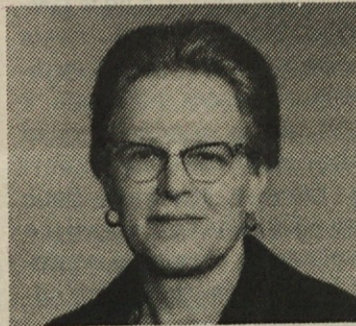
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FRANCES STARIHA

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katero je Bog poklical k sebi 4. aprila 1996. Rojena je bila 23. septembra 1908 v Rovtah nad Logatcem, Slovenija, in prišla v Ameriko leta 1930. Pripadala je sledečim društvom: Kras št. 8 AMLA, Sv. Jožef št. 169 KSKJ, podr. št. 50 Slovenske ženske zveze, Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti, Belokranjski klub, in Dramatsko društvo Lillija.

Pogreb je bil 8. aprila 1996 iz Želetovega pogrebnega zavoda v cerkev Marije Vnebovzete na Holmes Ave. Od tam je bilo truplo prepeljano na pokopališče Vernih duš na Chardonu, Ohio, in tam položeno k večnemu počitku. Globoko zahvalo naj prejme č.g. John Kumše za darovano pogrebno sv. mašo, za tolažilne besede pri maši, za molitve v pogrebnem zavodu, in za poslovilne molitve na pokopališču. Enako zahvalo naj prejme č.g. Viktor Tomc za somaševanje pri pogrebnih sv. maši. Iz srca se zahvalimo vsem članom in članicam društev, katerim je pripadala, ki so molili rožni venec v tako lepem številu in se poslovlili od nje. Zelo smo hvaležni organistu g. Rudiju Knezu za orglanje in ge. Tillie Špehar ter ge. Antoniji Lamovec za lepo petje in spremljavo. Lepa hvala pogrebcem, ki so nosili njeno krsto na zadnji poti. Hvaležni smo g. Franku in Toniju Smuku za branje berila med mašo. Naj Bog stotero poplača vsem, ki so darovali prekrasne vence in cvetlice, za sv. maše, in za druge dobrodne namene, ter za številne izraze sožalja. Iz dna srca se zahvalimo vsem, ki so našo ljubljeno prišli kropiti, dali svoja vozila na razpolago, molili za njeno dušo, se udeležili pogrebne maše, in našo drago spremili prav do groba. Lepa hvala osebju Želetovega zavoda za vso postrežbo in skrbno vodenje pogrebne spreveda. Lepa hvala Julki Zalar in njenim pomočnicam za tako okusno in lepo pripravljeno kosilo v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue.

Zelo smo hvaležni g. Johnu in ge. Mollie Dejak ter g. Franku in ge. Mary Podlogar za vse, kar so storili za nas.

Zahvalne kartice so bile razposlane vsem, ki so se naš in naše drage posebno spomnili, in za katere smo imeli naslove. Ako kdo take kartice ni prejel, naj nam oprostijo in naj s to javno zahvalo sprejme našo globoko hvaležnost. Naj Bog stotero povrne vsem!

*V miru božjem Ti počivaj,
draga, nepozabna nam;
v nebesih večno srečo uživaj,
do snidenja na vekomaj.*

*Ti, o Jezus naš premili,
zlij na dušo Rešnje kri;
Ti dobrotno se jo usmili,
raj nebeški ji odpri.*

Žalujoči:

JOSEPH STARIHA, mož
JOSEPH PLUT, nečak, z ženo OLGA
ANNA SEDEJ, nečakinja, z možem MATIJA, Toronto, Kanada
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PEPCA JEREB, sestra, Rovte nad Logatcem, Slovenija
ter ostalo sorodstvo v Združenih državah, Sloveniji in Kanadi.

Euclid, Ohio, 30. maja 1996.

V ljubeč spomin

naše ljube žene, mame
in stare mame



EMMA GRK

ROJ. POLES

Preselila se je v večnost
2. junija 1993.

*Spomin na Te je naš zaklad,
saj vsak izmed nas Te imel
je rad;*

*pri Bogu zdaj se veseliš,
a v srcih naših Ti živiš!*

Žalujoči ostali:

Stanely — mož
Emma — hčerka
Johnny — sin
Jesse in Jonas — vnuka
Marija Poles — mama
Silva Božič, sestra, z družino
Mirko, brat, z družino
ter ostalo sorodstvo v
Ameriki, Sloveniji, in Kanadi
Willoughby Hills, Ohio, 30. maja 1996

Slovensko krščansko ljudstvo, poj Bogu z veseljem!

Homilija svetega očeta v Stožicah

1. »Izšel sem od Očeta in prišel na svet, spet zapuščam svet in grem k Očetu« (Jn 16,28). Te besede so del poslovnega govora, ki ga je imel Jezus v dvorani zadnje večerje na dan pred svojim trpljenjem in smrtjo na križu.

Sele po vstajenju je prišel trenutek, ko so se uresničile. Tega smo se spominjali prejšnji četrtek, štirideset dni po veliki noči, ko smo praznovali **Gospodov vnebohod**. Zdaj, ko je vnebohod že mimo, pa Cerkev skupaj z apostoli pričakuje Tolažnika, **Svetega Duha**. To je čas posebno goreče in vztrajne molitve.

Na molitev se nanašajo tudi Kristusove besede, ki smo jih slišali v današnjem evangeljskem odlomku: »**Če boste kaj prosili Očeta v mojem imenu, vam bo dal...** Prosite in boste prejeli, da bo vaše veselje popolno... Ne rečem, da bom jaz prosil Očeta za vas. Oče sam vas ima rad, ker imate tudi vi radi mene in verujete, da sem prišel od Boga« (Jn 16,23-24. 26-27).

Ta Oče, ki ljubi, »bo obdaril s Svetim Duhom tiste, ki ga prosijo« (Lk 11,13). Apostoli, zbrani v dvorani zadnje večerje, prosijo prav za dar Svetega Duha. In tudi Cerkev, ki se pripravljala na binkošti, prosi zanj z neomajno vero.

2. Cerkev prosi za Svetega Duha, da bi zmogla vzeti nase poslanstvo, ki ji ga je zaupal Kristus. Apostolom je bil rekel: »**Pojdite... in naredite vse narode za moje učence**« (Mt 28,19).

Na binkoštni dan so ljudje iz raznih koncev sveta naenkrat v sebi začutile posledice izlitja Svetega Duha na apostole. **Knjiga Apostolskih del** našteva narode, ki so bili tiste dne prisotni v Jeruzalemu. Koliko časa je preteklo od tedaj! Evangeljsko oznanilo je stopilo na ceste vsega sveta. Danes bi bil lahko seznam iz Apostolskih del precej daljši, vseboval bi tudi ljudstva slovanskih jezikov in med njimi posebej slovensko ljudstvo.

V teku stoletij so namreč misijonarji evangelija prišli vse do vaše dežele, da bi vašemu ljudstvu oznanili v vašem jeziku blagovest odrešenja. Znova se je odprla jeruzalemska dvorana zadnje večerje in začudila se niso le ljudstva iz Mezopotamije in Judeje, iz Egipta in Azije, iz Grčije in Rima, ampak tudi slovanska in druga ljudstva, ki prebivajo v tem delu Evrope.

Tudi oni so zaslišali apostole Jezusa Kristusa, kako jim govorijo v njihovem jeziku in jim pripovedujejo v njim znani govornici »o velikih božjih delih« (prim. *Homilija pri gnjezenski stolnici 3. junija 1979. Izsegnamenti di Giovanni Paolo II, 1979, str. 1400*).

3. Krščanstvo so vam prinesli misijonarji iz bližnjih središč, iz Salzburga, iz Ogleja in iz Panonije. Krščansko vero so

pri vas vsadili škofje: sveti Virgilij, sveti Modest, Sveti Pavlin in učenci svetih bratov Cirila in Metoda, da omenim le nekatere.

Prvi dokumenti, zapisani v vašem jeziku pred tisoč leti, vsebujejo molitve in katehetska ter bogoslužna besedila. Iz obdobja reformacije in katoliške obnove pa imate prve prevode Svetega pisma v slovenski jezik.

Vaše ljudstvo, hvaležno za dar vere, je tudi samo dalo Cerkvi številne misijonarje. Med njimi škofa Friderika Ireneja Baraga, misijonarja med ameriškimi Indijanci, in patra Ignacija Knobleharja v Afriki. Po njihovem zgledu so še drugi šli po vsem svetu. Tukaj bi se rad še posebej spomnil sestre Ksaverije Pirc in zdravnika Janeza Janeža. Njihovo pričevanje zgovorno dokazuje, kako so vaše škofije duhovno žive in rodovitne.

Vendar pa, dokler je Cerkev še romarica na tem svetu, ni evangelij nikoli oznanjen enkrat za vselej. V vsaki dobi zahteva novih oznanjevalcev in prič. Ni dovolj, sklicevati se na dediščino preteklosti, saj se mora vsaka krščanska generacija sama ponovno odločiti za krščanstvo.

Vpričo tveganja, da pride do ločitve med vero in kulturo, med vero in življenjem, se vi soočate z odgovorno nalogo, da znova sprejmete in še drugim prinašate evangeljsko oznanilo. Rast združenj in apostolskih gibanj, raznovrstne oblike dobroteljnosti in pomoči potrebnim, dejavno sodelovanje laikov v življenju Cerkve, zlasti pri katehezi, vse to je dragoceni sad nove evangelizacije. Toda še bolj je potreben, dragi bratje in sestre, zgled vašega krščanskega življenja: da bo evangelij postal vaše življenje in bo svetu sijal kot luč sveta.

4. V zgodovini je bila vaša krščanska skupnost izpostavljena težkim preskušnjem, nedavno tudi grozotam obeh svetovnih vojn. Kako naj bi pozabili na nasilno komunistično revolucijo? Trpljenju, ki ga je povzročila tuja okupacija, se je pridružila še državljanska vojna, v kateri je brat dvignil roko nad brata.

Božji služabnik Lojze Grozde je samo ena izmed neštetihi nedolžnih žrtev, ki visoko dvigajo palmo svojega mučeništva kot neizbrisen spomin in opomin. Škofe, duhovnike, redovnike in laike so med vojno in po njej zapirali, jih mučili, izseljevali in tudi nasilno morili. Vsi ti zdaj prosijo Boga za spravo, mir in slogo med vsemi člani naroda.

5. Ta pogled na preteklost je bil potreben, da bi mogli realistično načrtovati prihodnost. Dragi bratje in sestre, ko smo že skoraj na pragu tretjega krščanskega tisočletja, si tudi Cerkev, ki je v vaši deželi, z vso nujnostjo zadaja nalogo,

da se glede na zahtevo po novi evangelizaciji povrne k izviru. Med vas sem prišel, da bi vas potrdil v tej zavzetosti za spreobrnjenje k evangeliju in za pristno duhovno obnovo.

Danes sem tukaj med slovenskim ljudstvom v Ljubljani, v »beli Ljubljani«, kot romar in glasnik evangelija. »Oče, potrdi nas v veri«, je vodilna misel, ki ste jo izbrali za ta obisk. In prav to želim tudi izvršiti: potrditi vas v veri vaših očetov in vas opogumiti, da se na poti v tretje tisočletje oklenete evangelija.

Rad bi vam tudi izrazil svoje veselje, da sem v neodvisni Sloveniji ob zori novega in obetavnega obdobja njene zgodovine. Vse prav prisrčno pozdravljam. Posebej pozdravljam pastirja te škofije, msgr. Alojzija Suštarja in se mu zahvaljujem za besede, ki mi jih je izrekel na začetku tega slavja.

Pozdravljam tudi kardinale, nadškofe, škofe, duhovnike, redovnike in redovnice, pa tudi laike, ki ste dejavno vključeni v razna združenja in apostolska gibanja. Pozdravljam mlade, bolnike in vse, ki ste prišli od blizu in daleč, da bi se povezali skupaj v tem prazničnem slavju.

Pozdravljam navzoče predstavnike oblasti, najprej predsednika republike, predsednika in člane vlade in tudi vse, ki so sodelovali pri pripravi tega bogoslužnega srečanja. Vsem velja moja najprisrčnejša zahvala.

6. »Potrdi svoje brate« (Lk 22,32). To je Jezus naročil Petru in njegovim naslednikom. Da bi izpolnili to nalogo petrinjske službe, vas želim potrditi v resnici evangelija. »Resnično, resnično vam povem...« tako Jezus oznanja evangelij. Njegova beseda je resnica (prim. Jn 17,17). Ponavljam vam z apostolom Pavlom: »Zanesljiva je ta beseda in zasluži, da jo vsi sprejmejo (1 Tim 1,15). Evangelij, ki vam ga oznanja Cerkev, »ne izvira od človeka« (Gal 1,11), ampak je »božji evangelij« (Rim 1,11), »božja moč, dana v rešitev vsakomur, ki veruje« (Rim 1,16).

Gospod je obljubil, da bo svojo Cerkev zgradil na Petru, to je na »skali«, ki dobiva svojo trdnost od Jezusa Kristusa, »drugega temelja namreč nihče ne more položiti« (1 Kor 3,11). On je vogelni kamen, ki so ga zidarji zavržli (prim. Mt 21,42). Naše stoletje je močno izkusilo, kaj pomeni graditi na pesku ideologij, ki prezirajo Boga. In mar se ni naše stoletje prav zaradi tega okopalo v krvi nedolžnih in mučencev? Tisti, ki gradijo svet brez Boga, ga lahko gradijo samo proti človeku, proti njegovemu pravemu uresničenju in sreči (prim. *Sprava in pokora, 18*).

7. V psalmu smo vzklikali: »Vsa ljudstva glasno ploskajte, vzklikajte Bogu z veseljem glasom.« In v odpevu smo ponavljali: »O Bog, slavijo naj te vsa ljudstva« (Ps 47/46, 2).

Slovensko krščansko ljud-

Sveti oče, potrdite nas v veri, upanju in ljubezni

Pozdrav nadškofa Suštarja pri maši v Stožicah

Sveti oče, z veliko hvaležnostjo Bogu in božji Materi Mariji Vas spoštljivo in prisrčno pozdravljam na Vaš današnji rojstni dan in Vam izkrekam najboljše želje in čestitke. Bog Vam daje zdravje, moči in vsega svojega blagoslova. Dočakal smo dolgo zaželeni trenutek, da bi skupaj z Vami, s slovenskimi škofi in duhovniki, redovnicami in vernim slovenskim ljudstvom obhajali evharistično daritev. Iskreno pozdravljam tudi vse goste iz inozemstva, gospode kardinale, nadškofe, škofe in duhovnike ter vse vernike. Naj bo ta zgodovinska sveta maša izraz in dokaz naše globoke vernosti, našega močnega upanja in naše iskrene ljubezni. Ob oltarju je tudi podoba Marije Pomagaj z Brezij. Včeraj ste privatno kratko obiskali to največjo slovensko božjo pot, sedaj pa je Marija prišla sem in bo z nami pri evharistični daritvi, kakor je stala pod križem.

Pri evharističnem slavju v Ljubljani se spominjamo predvsem 1250-letnice krščanstva v našem narodu in vseh milosti, ki jih je naš narod na priprošnjo božje Matere Marije, svetih bratov Cirila in Metoda in naših svetniških kandidatov škofov Friderika Baraga, Janeza Gnidovca in Antona Martina Slomška ter Lojzeta Grozdeta prejel v zgodovini in danes. Današnje evharistično slavje hoče biti tudi mogočna manifestacija naše zvestobe Bogu in Cerkvi in Vam, sveti oče, kot nasledniku apostola Petra in vrhovnemu poglavarju katoliške Cerkve.

Vesel sem, da morem med udeleženci tega evharističnega slavja pozdraviti tudi predstavnike evangeličanske in pravoslavne Cerkve in drugih verskih skupnosti. Ekumenska razsežnost, ki je Vam, sveti oče, tako zelo pri srcu, naj da naši slovesnosti poseben poudarek.

Med nami so tudi zastopniki bolnikov in invalidov, ki jim Vi, sveti oče, posvečate vedno toliko pozornosti.

Pri tej sveti maši Vas želimo pozdraviti z izvirno slovensko pesmijo. Slovenski narod s posebno ljubeznijo in zavzetostjo goji cerkveno in narodno pesem. Posebno bogate so Marijine pesmi, ki jih v tem mesecu majniku pri majniških pobožnostih, pa tudi sicer, z velikim veseljem prepevamo.

Sveti oče, Cerkev v Sloveniji se zaveda svoje velike odgovornosti v pripravi na leto 2000, v novi evangelizaciji in v misijonskem poslanstvu. Posebna naloga v Cerkvi na Slovenskem in v slovenskem narodu pa je sprava, ki naj zaceli rane po drugi svetovni vojni, kjer je slovenski narod, podobno kakor poljski, doživel tako hude čase. V Cerkvi poudarjamo vedno znova tri pogoje za spravo: priznanje krivde, odpustanje in prošnja za odpustanje. Zavedamo pa se, da mora biti kot temelj tega prizadevanja za spravo resnica o vsem dogajanju, pravičnost in končno ljubezen, ki edina premaga vse ovire. Zato Vas ponovno prosimo, potrdite nas v veri, upanju in ljubezni.

Preden začnemo evharistično daritev, bi rad posebej pozdravil predstavnike državnih oblasti, javnega in kulturnega in političnega življenja, zastopnike naših izseljencev z vseh delov sveta in goste iz sosednjih držav, Hrvaške, Bosne in Hercegovine, Srbije, Črne gore in Makedonije, Avstrije, Madžarske in Italije in daljnih držav. Vsi prisrčno dobrodošli v Ljubljani pri osrednjem evharističnem slavju!

In sedaj Vas prosim, sveti oče, da začnete evharistično daritev, ki jo bomo z veliko hvaležnostjo obhajali skupaj z Vami.

stvo, poj Bogu z veseljem! Obisk rimskega škofa, Petrovega naslednika, naj te spomni na tvoje mesto, ki ga imaš v veliki skupnosti vesoljne Cerkve.

Z apostolom Petrom vam tudi jaz pravim: »Mislim pač, da je prav, da vas opominjam k čuječnosti... Potrudil pa se bom tudi, da se boste mogli tega kadarkoli spominjati, tudi po mojem odhodu« (2 Pt 1,13.15). Ne pozabite velikih božjih del, ki razodevajo njegovo slavo v vašem narodu po pričevanju velikodušnih kristjanov, pravih podob njegove navzočnosti, ki vse preoblikuje in posvečuje.

Z apostolom Petrom dodajam: »Bratje, potrudite se, da boste utrdili svojo poklicanost in izvoljenost« (2 Pt 1,10). Papežev obisk mora služiti prav temu. Gotovo ste v njegovo pripravo vložili veliko skrbi in veliko dela. Naj to delo zdaj obrodi svoje sadove!

Drago mi je, da mogu da pozdravim i predstavnike Srp-

ske Pravoslavne Crkve koje od srca blagodarim za bratsko prisustvo na ovoj Svetoj Liturgiji. Njima i svim vernicima njihove Crkve želim mir vaskrsloug Hrista.

(Nato je papež pozdravil v nemškem jeziku.)

Tudi danes ponavljam tisto, kar sem rekel ob nastopu svoje službe na Petrovem sedežu: »Ne bojte se!« Ne bojte se Kristusa, verujte vanj in v njegovo ljubezen. — Odprite na stežaj vrata Odrešeniku! Ne bojte se Cerkve, kajti ona želi, da bi se vsakdo srečal s Kristusom in našel v njem odrešenje.

Kristus, naše upanje, je vstal!

Dragi bratje in sestre, naj vas spremlja velikonočno upanje v tem in v prihodnjih letih in vas privede k velikemu svetemu letu 2000. **Prestopite tudi vi, skupaj z menoj in s svojimi škofi in duhovniki, skupaj z vso Cerkvijo, pragu upanja!**

Naše upanje je Kristus. Kristus, ki je vstal od mrtvih! Amen!

Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

1134. Zgodovinski obisk papeža Janeza Pavla

II. je za nami. Celoletna priprava naroda nanj je gotovo mnogim pomagala do duhovne poglobitve. Brez dvoma so posamezni rojaki našli nazaj pot k Bogu, če so se srečanju pridružili in Sv. Duhu dali možnost, da je prodril v njihovo dušo. Slovenska pošta je izdala posebno znamko s papeževim portretom na rumenem ozadju za 75 tolarjev. Rumena barva je papeška barva njegove zastave.

Vsemogoči spominki so sedaj v rokah stotisočev vernih Slovencev in prav gotovo so slovenska javna občila opravila svoj posel objektivno in pošteno. Tudi tak dogodek lahko mnoge doprinese k narodni edinosti in medsebojnim odnosom, po prestatem trpljenju tolikih skozi 50 let.

Mladina, ki je bila v Postojni deležna papeževih posebne ljubezni do nje, je mogla videti, kot pred leti naša na tem kontinentu v Denverju, Colorado, globok smisel življenja in razdajanja v njem v pomoč bližnjemu v potrebi, kar potrošniški rod razbrzdanih sploh ne doume, ker je prazen in išče v izživljanju in iskanju trenutnih užitkov zadovoljitev strasti, ki praznijo dušo in pustijo človeka brez cilja in smisla za življenje, povsem brezmočnega, v obupu.

Naša naloga je nadaljevati cilj papeževih obiskov po svetu, ki je že 71 za časa njegovega 18-letnega papeževanja v 141 državah sveta. Pomagajmo katoliškimi slovenskim ustanovam, vsak po svojih močeh in kjer sam najbolj vidi potrebo: Cerkev v vseh treh škofijah: Ljubljani, Mariboru in Kopru, pa tudi Gorici, Trstu in Celovcu.

Bogoslovska akcija za slovenska semenišča nas vedno potrebuje.

Radiu Ognjišču, z včlanjanjem med Prijatelji radia Ognjišča.

Družini z naročilom nanjo in Slovincu, ki nas potrebuje, ko se prebija v svobodni Sloveniji skozi finančne težave in utrjuje pot v mnoge družine in posameznike v narodu in po svetu. Koliko veselja mi vsaka številka obeh prinaša v Princeton, kjer sicer nimam v bližini nobenega rojaka.

Šentvidska gimnazija, Želmlje in Vipava, vsi potrebujejo našo pomoč.

Karmeličanke molijo za nas vse iz dneva v dan in so nam za vsako pomoč silno hvaležne.

Misijonska Obzorja nas kličejo na misijonske okope. Naročimo jih.

'Nova slovenska zaveza' razčiščuje ozračje komunistične infekcije vsaj tako uspešno, kot antibiotiki zastrupljenje v naših bolnih telesih in infekcijah.

Dr. Arnežev 'Arhiv Slovenije v svetu' in 'Slovenija v svetu' kot povezovalni urad za nas, vsepovsod razstresene, vršita važno poslanstvo.

Najrazličnejši podvigi slovenskih župnij, kot gradnje ali popravila cerkva, vsi upajo na našo pomoč. Kako vedno o takih akcijah čitam v *Ameriški domovini* in kako vesel je bil župnik o. Recek ob prejemu zadnjega večjega daru za gra-

ditev nove župnijske cerkve v Stepanji vasi.

Koliko drugih podvigov čaka na vsakega od nas, da priskočimo na pomoč! Ne odlašajmo z dobrimi deli v blagoslovljenem letu papeževga obiska.

Pogreb Jakoba Kvasa

je naš odbornik MZA iz Toronta 26. aprila takole popisal:

»Zadnje nedeljo popoldne se je Jakob vlegel na posteljo in se ni več prebudil. Bil je to 21. aprila. V sredo je ležal v pogrebnem zavodu, kamor so ga rojaki hodili kropit in moliti za pokoj njegove duše. Pogrebna sv. maša pri Mariji Pomagaj na Manningu je bila koncelebrirana v četrtek. Župnik Batič in gg. Časl in Nosan so somaševali pri polni cerkvi rojakov. Moški zbor je pel med sv. mašo. Po njej je bilo v farni dvorani kosilo in potem so rajnega odpeljali za pokop v bližino, kjer je z ženo Marjeto živel. Tam imajo tudi kapelo in vsak dan upokojeni duhovnik v njej mašuje.

Bil je res dober človek in dober oče veliki družini. Rad pa je pomagal tudi drugim. Meni je zelo veliko pomagal, da sva več let delala skupaj, kjer mi je on delo preskrbel, kot nadzornika v parkiranju za Medical Center.

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srečala letošnjo Veliko noč, ko je k sv. maši na Manning z ženo prišel in popoldne na obisk k meni na razgovor in srečanje.

Upajmo, da uživa božjo slavo. Za sv. maše za pokojnega Jakoba prilagam \$250, ki naj bodo zanj opravljene v misijonih. Prejmite najlepše pozdrave.«

Gospa Marija Puc Remec

je bila pokopana v Lemontu pri slovenskih frančiškanih, kjer je leta sodelovala pri najrazličnejših podvigih za ohranjanje slovenskega izročila. Naša odbornica je po pogrebu v ponedeljek, 6. maja, sporočila, da je bila pogrebna sv. maša v lemontski kapeli. Opravil jo je o. Chemazar, ki je o rajni lepo pridigoval. Veliko rojakov je prišlo iz raznih koncev, med njimi močno zastopana MZA; predsednica Mary Coffelt iz Milwaukeeja z možem, predsednica Marija Jeretina z bratoma iz Jolieta, ga. Minka Kmetič in več drugih iz Clevelanda, in hči Mary Pecharich iz Chicaga, Marija.

Na pogrebu so bili tudi vsi dr. Puceve družine, ki živijo sedaj raztreseni po raznih de-

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Naj Kristus, ki je Pot, Resnica in Življenje, bo njen delež vekomaj!

Tako vsem Kvasovim, kot dr. Pucovim in dr. Remčevim naše iskreno sožalje in objuba molitve. MZA sodelavci in pionirke ju ne bodo pozabili v molitvah.

O, SVETI, TRIKRAT SVETI, LJUBI DUH!

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