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4. VELIKONOČNA - NEDELJA

4TH SUNDAY
OF FASTER

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OBILJE MILOSTI

Odlomek je ves prežet z milino. Božja milost ubira ozke in široke, ravne in ovinkaste poti, da pride do nas. S svojo močjo preoblikuje naše življenje.

Ovce poslušajo pastirjev glas in mu slede. Pastir jih pozna in varuje njihovo življenje ter obljublja še lepšega v večnosti. Bodri jih, da se bodo izognili pogubi, saj niso odvisni le od svoje šibkosti. Ko se trudijo za odrešenje, je Kristus tisti, ki jih podpira: »Nihče jih ne bo iztrgal iz moje roke ...« Čeprav propadejo človeški velikaši in se človeška modrost izpridi, ostaja božja pomoč. Bog sam je zaupal duše v Jezusovo varstvo.



Kristus jamči za svoje obljube, zato sveti Pavel vzklika: »Kdo nas bo ločil od ljubezni, s katero nas ljubi Kristus?« Ko ocenjuje stvarstvo, »mar stiska ali nadloga, preganjanje ali lakota, nagota ali nevarnost ali meč«, vesel ugo -tavlja: »prepričan sem: ne smrt, ne življenje, ne angeli, ne poglavarstva, ne sedanjost ne prihodnost, ne oblastva ne visokost, ne globokost ne kakršnakoli druga stvar nas ne bo mogla ločiti od ljubezni, s katero nas ljubi Bog v Jezusu Kristusu, našem Gospodu« (Rim 8,35.37-39).

Božja ljubezen se nas je tesno oklenila in nam bo trdna opora. Moj Oče, ki mi jih je dal, je večji od vseh in nihče jih ne more iztrgati iz Očetove roke. Gospodovi smo zaradi jasne Jezusove besede: »Jaz in oče sva eno!« Ko opazujemo Kristusa, spoznavamo Očeta in njegovo ljubezen do nas. Kot Sin, je tudi Oče dober, velikodušen in želi naše odrešenje. Jezus sam je rekel, da kdor pozna njega, pozna tudi nebeškega Očeta. S Kristusom se nam odpira čudovita sedanjost.

SPOMLADANSKI BANKET PRI SV. GREGORIJU VELIKEM HAMILTONU

Letošnja zgodnja velika noč je vplivala tudi na družabne prireditve, ki so pogoste na sporedu v marcu in aprilu. Tako se je tudi tradicianalni spomladanski župnijski banket pri župniji sv. Gregorija Velikega, zgodil že v nedeljo 10. aprila.

Slovesna dvojezična maša je bila ob 10. uri. Sedaj smo ze kar navajeni, če se po maši nadaljuje slavje v dvorani, je to tudi edina nedeljska maša. To pot je bogoslužje še posebej obogatil Mladinski zbor župnije Brezmadezne is Toronta. Ubrani mladi glasovi so prepevali angleške in slovenske mašne speve in na koncu maše poželi spontan aplavz obiskovalcev.

V polni dvorani je bilo servirano okusno domače kosilo, nakar so obiskovalci z zanimanjem pričakovali nastop mladinskega zbora, ki ga odlično vodi Milan Venčec s kitaro in harmonikar Mark Marentič. Izbor pesmi zbora je bil zanimiv, ker so se predstavili z različnim repertoarjem za vsak okus in zaklučili z venčkom slovenskih narodnih. Posebno očudovanja vredna je bila usklajenost mladega zbora v ritmu kot tudi v dikciji slovenskih pesmi. Poslušalci so jih nagradili z stoječim aplavzom.

Ob tem lepem župnijiskem dogodku velja dodati, da se župnijski spomladanski in jesenski banketi prirejajo ze več kot 30 let na poseben način in sicer z prostovljnimi prispevki obiskovalcev dobre volje, ki so se to pot velikodušno odzvali poleg Hamiltona in okolice tudi iz Londona, Kitchenerja in Toronta, kar je v največje zadoščenje odličnim organizatorjem: to so člani župnijskega sveta župnije sv. Gregorija Velikega.

Poročilo pripravil: Frank Novak

P.s. - Hvala vsem, ki ste pomagali pri pripravi banketa, da smo tudi ta banket praznovali v prijetnem domačem vzdušju. Še posebej hvala Milanu Vinčecu, zborčku, staršem in sorodnikom, ki so prišli z otroci - nekaj nad 50 je bilo gostov. Lepo in koristno je, ko si medsebojno izmenjujemo kulturno bogastvo. Drago Gačnik, *župnik*





Pri pripravi banketa so sodelovali:

Tony Horvat

Hall

Bar tickets

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Set-up	Mary Miklavčič, Maryann Demšar, Elka Peršin,
Saturday	Teresa Sarjaš, Tony Horvat, Majda Lukežič, Julie
	Matus, Lucija Luketič
Cleaniup	Alojz in Dragica Ferenčak
Kitchen Staff	Invan in Milena Krušič, Andreja Farkaš, Dragica
	Ferenčak, Anna Prša, Anica Gabor, Magda Benc
Server Staff	Isabelle & Maya Marinčič, Kristina Hode, Michal
	Malec, Melissa Marchewka, Lily Bechtold, Nicholas
	& Vanessa Scarcelli, Matthew Mramor, Andreja
	Farkaš
MC	Heidy Novak
Door	Pamela Gosgnach, Teresa Sarjaš
Bar:	Joe Pust, Drago Horvat

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Response: We are his people: the sheep of his pasture.

First Reading Acts 13:14. 43-52

The preaching of Paul and Barnabas is well received by the Jewish community in Antioch, but their leaders are so opposed to it that Paul directs his mission instead to the pagans.

Second Reading Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17

In his vision of heaven, John sees a huge crowd standing before the throne of God. These will have the Lamb as their shepherd who will lead them to living water.

Gospel John 10:27-30

The sheep entrusted to Jesus by the Father listen to his voice and are kept safe for eternal life.

"I know them and they follow me."

Illustration

Have you ever joined the queues of people being shepherded carefully round a stately home? One magnificent room follows another. Long tables are set for a banquet with shining silver cutlery and glittering crystal glasses. Antique chairs and sofas are roped off so that no one can sit on them. Severe portraits of ancestral lords glower down on the inquisitive masses as if to say, "What are these people doing in my house?" We may find it hard to imagine real people living in these places. Where would the children play? At home, the garden is littered with toys, the furniture is sticky and has crumbs between the cushions, and we have to rush round madly to tidy up before grandma comes to visit.



Real people live in the chaos of every day, trying to instil some sort of order so that life can go on. Meals have to be prepared. Clothes have to be washed. Mums and dads need time to love each other and their children. Real life can sometimes be a bit untidy, even smelly.

Gospel Teaching

When Jesus uses the image of sheep to describe those in his care, he is describing a situation to which his listeners can easily relate. It is a wellused image from the Old Testament to describe the people entrusted to the care of their leaders. The priests, prophets and kings failed in their responsibilities to such an extent that God the Father took back the flock into his personal care, and now they are entrusted to Jesus, the good shepherd. Sheep are not pampered and coddled, shampooed and deodorised. They are smelly, frisky, freedom-loving and get themselves into all sorts of difficult and often life-threatening situations. They need a shepherd to look after them, to guide them and keep them safe. Just as parents recognise the different cries of their own children, so the good shepherd listens for the cry of his sheep. And just as children

recognise the voice of their parents, so those who belong to Jesus listen for his voice and follow him.

From the book of the Apocalypse, we learn that the good shepherd so identified with the sheep of his flock that he became the Lamb that was slain, the one who laid down his life for his sheep and who now leads his flock to springs of water around the throne of God, in heaven.

Application

Perhaps we can gather from what we have already said that God's house as described by Jesus is not some many-roomed country mansion, good to look at but impossible to live in. It is, perhaps, more of a farmyard, which might be difficult to live in but is bursting with life in all its complexity. Speaking to priests during Holy Week 2013, Pope Francis urged them to be close to those who are vulnerable and marginalised, and to be "shepherds living with the smell of the sheep". Later that year in his apostolic exhortation Evangelii Gaudium, "The Joy of the Gospel", Pope Francis used the same words as he called on the Church to be an evangelising community by getting involved in people's daily lives. Evangelisers, he says, thus take on "the smell of the sheep". Pope Francis doesn't see the Church as a museum to be visited, holding the treasures of a bygone age. The Church is a community of people who care about the world in which we live. They care about the people among whom we live, especially those who are most in need.

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We ask God to help us all to recognise the voice of the good shepherd and to follow him; to understand, however, that we are not just sheep who follow, but sharers with Jesus in his mission to seek out and save those who are lost. It is a mission to get involved with the smells and the mess of this world

in order to create the world that God wants. Today is not a day to regret the shortage of priests and religious and to pray that God will plug the gaps. It is, rather, a day for all of us to commit ourselves in such a way that young people from our community will feel that a call to priesthood or religious life is a natural and normal way to find happiness and fulfilment for their lives; to be shepherds and not museum guides

DENIS NOVATOIN MISSISSAUGA: APRIL 22

I would like to invite you to an evening of Slovenian music, polkas and waltzes. Denis Novato, former world champion of the button box and proud Slovenian, will be at **The Musket Restaurant**, 40 Advance Rd (next to Dimpflmeier Bakery) on **Friday, April 22, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm.**

Denis played recently at many venues here in the GTA, including a set at the recent Pustni Banket at the Browns line hall.

This is not a fundraiser, it's simply a chance to listen to a true master of the button box. He's a great entertainer, and if the button box isn't your thing, maybe a nice big juicy schnitzel and tall stein of beer is.

Here are a couple of links in case you are looking for more information:

Restaurant:

http://www.musketrestaurant.com/ index.html

Denis Novato:

https://www.facebook.com/denis.novato

You can also find him on You Tube if you want samples of his music.

Please call if you would like to reserve seats, or you can call the restaurant.

Marta: 416 229-9728

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

Mešani pevski zbor bo imel pevsko vajo v četrtek po večerni maši.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 17. april-Sunday: **Sava-Breslau** maša 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ 23. april-Saturday: Hystorical Society Dom Lipa - Dan odprtih vrat
- 24. april-Sunday: Lipa park Mother's Day Luncheon
- ◆ 30. april-Saturday: Slovenski park Spring Banquet
- ♦ 1. maj-Sunday: **Bled** Mother's Day Banquet
- ◆ 7. maj-Saturday: Sava-Breslau Mother's Day Banquet
- 8. maj-Sunday: Triglav-London Mother's day
- 8. maj-Sunday: Slovenska šola at St.
 Gregory the Great Mother's Day Mass at 10:00 a.m.
- 21. maj-Sunday: Slovenski park maša ob 1:00 p.m.
- 28. maj-Saturday: Lipa park Scholarship annual golf tournament
- 29. maj-Sunday: St. Gregory the Great First Communion & Confirmation: mass 10:00 a.m.

PRINAŠANJE DAROV: GIFT BEARERS

♦ 17. april, 9:30 a.m.: Olga in Marija Glavač.

KITCHEN SECRETS COOKING SESSION

Our April session for learning how to make potica and a barley stew is full, however we still have three openings in our May 28th session.

If you are interested in participating please contact me and I will reserve your spot.



You can email me at: novakh@sympatico.ca if you are interested!

CWL - KŽZ: MASS ON APRIL 27TH

Our patroness, **Our Lady Of Good Counsel Mass** will be held on **Wednesday April 27**th at 7:00 p.m..

CWL and parish members are invited to attend this lovely mass. We will initiate and welcome new members as well as give out service award pins to 10 and 25 year members.

Following mass we invite those in attendance to share in a little light refreshment.

THE NEXT PILGRIMAGE SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

The next Pilgrimage Sunday at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King will take place on Sunday, **May 15th.** The Cathedral will open to pilgrims at 2:00 p.m. The Door of Mercy can be accessed through the doors adjacent to the Cathe-

dral Rectory. At **2:30 p.m. prayer in the style of Taize** – Scripture and meditative chants will be offered. You are welcome to join us for the **4:00 p.m. Mass** – Monsignor Earl Talbot will preside and preach.

A **plenary indulgence** may be gained by the faithful who enter through the Door of Mercy. In order to gain the indulgence pilgrims enter the door, make a profession of faith and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father. They should also receive Holy Communion and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation within 20 days of the pilgrimage.

OPEN HOUSE

Canadian Slovenian Historical Society
Kanadsko slovensko zgodovinsko društvo
52 Neilson Drive, Toronto ON M9C 177

Saturday, April 23rd, 2016, 2:00-4:00 pm

You are invited to view an exhibition of archival research projects done by students attending the Hamilton and Toronto Slovenian Language Schools.

You will have the opportunity to meet the students, talk to members of the society and visit the archives.

We look forward to seeing you there. Refreshments and social to follow!

Location: **Dom Lipa Auditorium**, 52 Neilson Drive, Toronto, Ontario

ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Slovenian Canadian
Scholarship Foundation Annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held **Saturday, May 28th, 2016** followed with dinner at Bled Hall.

Cost per person: \$135.
includes golf cart, golf balls,
coffee & donuts, hot dog/hamburger, beverage and dinner & door prizes. All funds raised
go towards the support of our Slovenian
youth bursary and scholarship awards program.

Dinner only is \$25. For information contact: **Karl Ferko** 905-578-5890 or **Andy Habjan** 905-899-3876

PRVO OBHAJILO / FIRST COOMUNION IN BIRMA / CONFIRMATION

Letos imamo v naši župniji prvo obhajilo in birmo. Kot je e nekaj let v navadi bo to zadnjo nedeljo v mesecu maju in sicer 29. maja ob 10:00 dopoldne. Za to priložnost bo med nami naš hamiltonski škof Douglas Crosby, OMI.

Če še niste izpolnili prijavnice, prosim, da to storite čimprej, da bomo imeli točno število. Neposredne priprave bodo ob sobotah, 14. 21. in 28. maja. Točne ure se bomo še dogovorili s starši.

"GRIEF RELIEF"

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life?

Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone!

"Grief Relief" - a six week educational and support series dealing with grief.

When: Wednesdays, from May 4th to June 8th

Time: 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office – 700 King St. West, Hamilton (next to the Cathedral Basilica)

There is no cost to participate. You are free to attend all sessions, or any one or more you can. To register call the Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail: familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.



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

Od 17. 4. 2016 Do 24. 4. 2016

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

4. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA NEDELJA DOBREGA PASTIRJA 17. APRIL Rudolf, muč.	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Rezka in Francka Regina † Štefan Prša †† Ivan in Apolonija Gjerek †† Pokojni člani društva Sava †† Marija Hafner in Štefanija Kraner		Anica Saje Terezija Prša z družino Terezija Prša z družino Sava-Breslau Breda Tišler
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 18. April <i>Evzebij, škof</i>	† Marko Ferfolja Po namenu	7:00 р.м.	Društvo sv. Jožefa (2) A.T.
Torek - Tuesday 19. April <i>Leon IX., papež</i>	Za verne duše v vicah	8:00 a.m.	N.N.
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 20. APRIL <i>Teotim, škof</i>	†† Marija in August Smodiš † Vida prah	7:00 р.м.	Gizella in Štefan Ray Manja Erzetič
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 21. APRIL Anzelm, škof	†† Pokojni iz drušine Kološa † Vid Kastelic	7:00 р.м.	
PETEK - FRIDAY 22. APRIL Aleksandra, mučenka	† Ana Zorčič †† Peter in Steve Mihalič † Elizabeth Ferko, obl. † Walburga Gyorkoš	7:00 р.м.	Jožica in Ivan Vegelj Mary Mihalič Marica in Frank Majzelj Manja Erzetič
Sobota	Za duhovno prenovo župnije	8:00 a.m.	Slomškovo oltarno društvo
SATURDAY 23. APRIL Jurij, mučenec	†† Terezija in Štefan Marinič †† Martin in Rezka Plut † John Madronič, obl.	5:30 p.m.	Družina Raduha Cvetka Skala Ida Madronič
5. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA	Za žive in rajne župljane † Bronco Balažic	9:30 a.m.	Terezija Zadravec
24. APRIL	†† Peter in Steve Mihalič	11:00 A.M.	Mary Mihalič