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Božji načrt o človeku

Razmislek, ki ga predlaga današnji izbor beril, obvladuje ena tema: tema krščanskega pogleda na zakonsko zvezo. Stran na samem začetku Svetega pisma (prvo berilo) in stran iz evangelija sta dejansko tesno povezani.

Poglavji 2 in 3 v Genezi sta veliko modrostno premišljevanje o človeku vseh časov in vseh dežel. Pisatelj gleda na človeka v treh njegovih osnovnih odnosih: z Bogom, s snovjo in z bližnjim. Na prvi podobi naslika božji načrt s človekom in s celotno stvarnostjo. Ta raven je vsa pretkana s skladnostjo in svetlobo. Na drugi podobi pa predstavi načrt, ki ga hoče uresničiti človek brez ozira na božji predlog.

Ti dve strani sta povabilo k spraševanju vesti, da bi se vrnili in začeli sodelovati z božjim načrtom. V njem je odnos človeka do človeka, temelj družbe, orisan v njegovi najvišji obliki: v ljubezni moškega do njegove ženske. O tem govori današnji odlomek. Človek se na zemlji počuti izgubljen in negotov, »ni dobro ..., da je sam«. Znanost, tehnika in kultura odpirajo vesolje pred človekom a človek tudi na večer pustolovščine svojega razuma še vedno čuti, da mu nekaj manjka. Bog človeku da žensko, ki odpravi vso osamljenost; človekova bolečina, radost, tesnoba, vprašanja se odslej prelivajo v srce drugega bitja, »pomoč, ki mu bo primerna«. Sedaj je razumljivo, da se moški veseli absolutne edinstvenosti ženske, dopolnjevanja obeh spolov in razmerja ljubezni. Oglasi se prvi ljubezenski spev človeštva: »To je končno kost iz mojih kosti in meso iz mojega mesa.« Med obema se je vzpostavila prava enovitost, tako globoka skupnost, da ju napravlja za eno samo bit, »eno meso«. To je enost, ki ne ugasne niti s smrtjo, kajti »močna kakor smrt je ljubezen«. Dejansko je Bog v tem odlomku simbolično prikazan kot stavbenik, ki ustvarja resničnost, ki je človeku tako blizu kot del njega samega, »rebro«. Zato ima ženska isto dostojanstvo in veličino kot moški.

Če sedaj pogledamo besedilo današnjega Markovega evangelija

bomo opazili rabinsko razpravo o tem ali je treba zakonodajo o ločitvi, ki jo podaja peta Mojzesova knjiga razlagati široko ali ozko. Jezus se v svoji izjavi nikakor ne veže na izjemo, temveč se sklicuje na temeljno pozitivno pravilo iz Geneze: »Bog ju je ustvaril kot moža in ženo ... in bosta oba eno meso.«

Zato v svoji stalni zavzetosti za korenitost opozarja na idealni načrt, po katerem je treba meriti in preverjati vsako krščansko zakonsko odločitev. Ideala podaritve, ki je lahko le celovita, ni mogoče odpraviti z »dovoljenjem« nekega spregleda, kakršnega uvaja devteronomistična zakonodaja. Seveda lahko posebne okoliščine in človekova omejenost zahtevajo konkretne ureditve.

To nedeljo se začenja branje izbranih odlomkov iz Pavlovega pisma Hebrejcem (drugo berilo). Gre za težko in zapleteno besedilo, teološko strnjeno in izvirno, po zgradbi pa prefinjeno. V današnjem kratkem odlomku se srečujemo z besedilom, ki v Kristusovem učlovečenju gleda kal velike noči, v kateri je bil Kristus na novo vpeljan v službo velikega duhovnika, odrešenika in srednika. V trpljenju Kristus nastopa kot človek v najpopolnejšem pomenu in tako dosega polnost učlovečenja. »Čeprav je bil Sin, se je iz tega, kar je pretrpel, naučil poslušnosti, dosegel popolnost in postal vsem, ki so mu poslušni, izvir večnega odrešenja, ko ga je Bog razglasil za velikega duhovnika« (Heb 5,8-9). /Prim. Oznanjevalec 2003/

OCTOBER IS ROSARY MONTH

By Fr. Steve Ryan, SDB

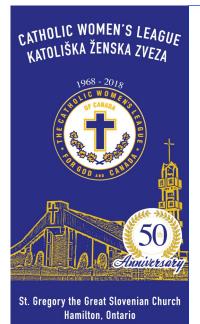
October has been designated as the month of the rosary. Why? You may say, "I thought it was in the month of May that we usually honor the Blessed Mother. How did she also get recognition in October?" Here is the answer...

A lot of it has to do with an ancient naval victory which took place in October of 1571. At that time the Church in Europe faced a great challenge. The Muslim Turks had already conquered the Middle East and had forced many Christians living there to turn to the Islamic religion. Many others had been killed. These Muslim Turks then moved across the Mediterranean Sea and had their sights on the Christian kingdoms of Italy. It was their intention to march all the way to Rome and eliminate the Catholic Church.

The pope at the time – Pope Pius V – called on Christian Europe to defend the faith from being taken over by Islam. He wanted to put together a military force to defeat the Islamic threat. He didn't see it as simply a military battle but also as a spiritual battle. The pope encouraged the whole Catholic world to pray the rosary. He saw the threat as so significant (and it was) that he cautioned: "Civilization is in desperate need of the intervention of the Blessed Mother."

A few countries in Europe stepped up and responded to the Holy Father's plea for military assistance. Militarily, many remained apathetic and Christian forces were greatly outnumbered. Others prayed. Many prayed the rosary daily that month. Don Juan of Austria (one of the few that led the Christian naval forces) somehow won an "against all odds" Mediterranean Sea battle versus the Turks.

During the battle, the Battle of Lepanto, the Christian forces were able to drive the Turks away and Christian Europe was saved from the invasion. The battle took place on October 7, 1571. Pope Pius V attributed his victory to the intercession of Mary. The daily rosary became part and parcel of many Catholic homes. The pope decreed that the first Sunday in October would be the feast of the Holy Rosary. It was a way of giving thanks to our Blessed Mother for the "win" in the Battle of Lepanto – October 7.



CWL - KŽZ JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY

Preparations for our Jubilee Anniversary as a Catholic Women's League are in full swing.

You are cordially invited to our 50th CWL Anniversary celebration at St. Gregory the Great on Sunday, November 25th.

We will mark this occasion with a Mass in English at 10:00 a.m. The main celebrant of the Mass will be The Most Rev. Anthony F. Tonnos, D.D., Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton.

This will be followed by a luncheon reception and celebratory program.

Please reserve luncheon tickets with Mrs. Terezija Sarjaš at 905-560-1218 by November 18th. Luncheon is complimentary for CWL members and \$20 for guests.

We look forward to your presence.





Fast forward to 2018 – this month. Pope Francis is asking the Church to "step up" to praying the rosary. We need Mary's intercession right now! Today, in 2018, the pope is affirming that the world is being threatened by the evil one who's trying to do a "hostile take-over". Civilization is in desperate need of the intervention of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As we have seen in the news, disunified bishops and clergy are battling within the Church. Several bishops protected and encouraged a homosexual sub-culture in seminaries and dioceses. Secularists boldly declare that marriage and family life are irrelevant and outdated in today's world. Many countries throughout the world (including Ireland) not only tolerate abortion but seem to celebrate it.

Pope Francis invites all the faithful of the world to pray the rosary daily during the entire month of October 2018. He asks for the intercession of the holy Mother of God to protect the Church from the devil, who is seeking to separate us from God and from each other. There is division and disruption around us and prayer is the only way we can defeat it.

Let's follow the simple but beautiful devotion of saying the rosary on a daily basis during this month of October. Also pray the Memorare. It is a powerful prayer and goes like this:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother! To you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Response:

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

First Reading Genesis 2:18-24

Man and woman are made in the image of God, to live in communion with each other.

Second Reading Hebrews 2:9-11 Jesus our brother leads us into the fullness of holiness.

Gospel Mark 10:2-16

What God joins together in harmony, humanity must not divide or separate or subjugate.

"What God has united, man must not divide."



Illustration

The priest was waxing lyrical in his homily about the beautiful story of the creation of Eve from Adam's rib as a symbol of the unique closeness and intimacy that is possible between a man and a woman. He praised the enlightened thinking of the story: at a time when women were often seen merely as chattels, something a man owned - and one man could own many women at one time - the priest saw the story as making an important statement about the unique dignity of women and of woman's equality with man. The women discussing his homily after Mass had a different understanding: "Typical," one said. "That reading says women are merely 'helpmates'. We are just there for the men - we exist for them. Is that what they call 'enlightened'?"

Gospel Teaching

Context is, of course, crucial in understanding any piece of writing – especially scripture. Our modern ears can easily interpret the Genesis story as regarding women as subservient. From the perspective of the writer, over two and a half thousand years ago, the intention was precisely the opposite. Today's Gospel faces us with a similar issue. We hear it through the prism of our particular questions about church teaching on marriage as a lifelong sacrament, the pain of marriage breakdown and the position of children in society. But to understand what Jesus was saying, we also need to appreciate his context and the questions he was addressing.

In Jesus' time, there were two main schools of thought on marriage within the Jewish faith. One group taught that a man could divorce his wife only for a serious reason, such as adultery. The other school thought that it was a man's right to divorce his wife for any reason whatsoever — even if she burnt the dinner. In that society it was only men who could initiate divorce — women had no such right. The Pharisees' question was a test. They wanted Jesus to take sides, perhaps even to contradict the Law of God. Their question was not about the rights and wrongs of divorce and remarriage as we might ask the question in today's world; it was specifically about how much power a husband has over his wife

Jesus refuses to buy into their assumption that a man has any right at all to exercise such power over his wife. By ruling out divorce completely, Jesus is saying: a man can't treat a woman as an object; he can't get rid of her for any reason, serious or trivial. A woman isn't a possession, as Genesis pointed out. She is a person with equal dignity and should be respected as such. Jesus' outright ban on divorce is a rejection of male domination of women

- he affirms marriage as a covenant of equal partners. When Mark recorded this teaching some years later, his Christian community lived in a very different context - Gentile rather than Jewish, in a culture that gave some women the right to divorce their husbands. So Mark applies Jesus' teaching to his own community's situation, balancing Jesus' prohibition on men divorcing their wives with an equal ban on women divorcing their husbands. Jesus rejects the idea that people can be treated as disposable objects. This is reinforced in the incident of Jesus blessing the children. Children were another group often regarded simply as the possessions of their parents, without rights of their own. In welcoming and blessing them, Jesus shows his respect for every human being made in the image of God even those regarded as the least and most powerless.

Application

Jesus' teaching on marriage - and indeed his whole attitude and behaviour towards women and children - only makes sense when seen in the context of his time and culture. It is a teaching about the essential dignity of every human being and about what that means for all relationships, especially marriage. His teaching is simply that we should treat people as human beings, not as objects for our personal gratification or comfort. We need to apply this to our context, our situation. It means respecting and upholding the dignity of every person. Domination and control have no place in marriage, in the home or in any relationship. Whether we are married or not, Jesus' words challenge us to examine the quality of our relationships. Do I treat others as means to my ends, or do I respect their dignity and worth as human beings. In other words, when it comes to people, am I a user, or a real lover?

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

Pevske vaje za mešani
pevski zbor so vsak četrtek
po večerni maši. Prav tako
ima vaje tudi angleški zbor in sicer vsako sredo
po večerni maši. Novi člani vedno dobrodošli.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 10. oktober: Maša za bolnike ob 11h dopol.
- ◆ 12.-13. oktober: Sava Oktoberfest.
- ◆ 14. oktober: Lipa Park Thanksgiving Luncheon
- ◆ 14. oktober: Triglav Vinska trgatev Band: Europa
- 15. oktober: Niagara Coordination -Meeting at St. Gregory the Great Church
- ◆ 16. oktober: SCCN/SKON Meeting 7:30 p.m. at St. Gregory the Great Hall
- 21. oktober: Triglav Maša ob 12:30 p.m. v dvorani
- ◆ 27. oktober: Slovenski Park Fall Clean-up at 9:00 a.m.
- ♦ 28. oktober: **Sava** Mass 2:00 p.m.
- 2. november: London St. Peter's Cemetery
 Mass at 2:00 p.m.
- 4. november: Holy Sepulchre Cemetery -Mass at 2:00 p.m., and prayers at the Cemeteries
- 10. november: St. Gregory the Great -Martinovanje.

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠAJO

- ♦ 7. oktober 9:30 a.m.: Ivan in Angela Antolin
- ♦ 14. oktober 9:30 a.m.: Kolenko Family
- ♦ 21. oktober 9:30 a.m.: Berkovič Family
- ♦ 28. oktober 9:30 a.m.: Lojze in Peter Grebenc
- ♦ 4. november 9:30 a.m.: Milena Volčanšek

DONATIONS - DAROVI

Za gradbeni sklad so darovali: Julijana in Nace Dolenšek, Slovenija, \$100.

Slomškovemu oltarnemu društvu sta Frank in Marica Majzelj darovala \$100 v spomin na pokojno Marijo Horvat. Hvala za vaš dar.

SREČANJE BOLNIKOV IN STAREJŠIH

V sredo, 10. oktobra, Slomškovo oltarno društvo vabi vse starejše in bolnike v cerkev. Ob 11h dopoldne bo sveta maša, med katero boste lahko prejeli bolniško maziljenje, po maši pa se bomo zaustavili še na okrepčilu in prijateljskem klepetu.

VELEPOSLANIŠTVO REPUBLIKE SLOVENIJE - OTTAWA

Slovenian CONSULAR hours at 731 Brown's Line, in Toronto are once a month. Next dates are: Tuesday, October 16th and Tuesday, November 13th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA

V prostorih društva sv. Jožefa, Villa Slovenia, se bodo 9. oktobra zopet začeli družabni »TORKOVI VEČERI 2018-2019«. Na otvoritveni večer bo tudi nekaj za pod zob. Člani in tudi novi člani lepo vabljeni in dobrodošli.

We will begin our 2018-19 Društvo evening social nights this Tuesday, October 9th, at the Villa. For our opening night, we will serve a »prigrizek«. All members and new members welcome!

* Our Društvo Oktoberfest bus trip has been cancelled due to insufficient numbers

Avtobus za Oktoberfest praznovanje smo odpovedali, ker ni bilo dovolj prijav. (Jerry P.)

POKOJNI

K Bogu je odšel po večno plačilo na faran Viktor Grobelnik. Umrl je v ponedeljek, 24. septembra 2018, star 72 let. Friscolanti Funeral Chapel je poskrbel za žaro. Za pokoj njegove duše smo v petek, 5. oktobra 2018, ob 10h dopoldne darovali sveto mašo. Pogreb z žaro bo v družinskem krogu. Pokojni je brat naše faranke Josephine Pavličič. Iskreno sožalje Jožici in vsem žalujočim domačim. Pokojnemu pa večni mir in pokoj.

V Mississaughi je v svojem 86. letu umrl naš dolgoletni faran, Štefan Horvat. Zadnja leta sta z ženo živela pri hčerki. Pogreb pokojnega je bil v soboto, 6. oktobra na Assumption Catholic Cemetery (6933 Tomken Road, Mississauga).

Iskreno sožalje ženi Mariji in hčerki Slavici z družino. Pokojnemu Štefanu pa večni mir in pokoj.

V soboto, 6. oktobra je Bog poklical k sebi našega farana **Štefana Raya**. Štefan je v septembu dopolnil 93 let. Pokojni bo ležal v Markey Dermody Funeral Home. Od njega se boste lahko poslovili v sredo, 10. oktobra med 2. in 4. uro popoldne ali zvečer med 7. in 9. uro. Rožni venec bomo molili ob 3:30 popoldne. Pogrebna sveta maša bo v naši cerkvi v četrtek, 11. oktobra ob 10:00 a.m., pogreb pa nato na Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery.

Iskreno sožalje ženi Gizelli, hčerkama Mary in Regina in sinu Slavku in tudi vsem sorodnikom. Pokojni Štefan pa naj uživa večni mir in pokoj.



St. Gregory the Great Slovenian Parish hopes you have a wonderful & blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends.



SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday: 8:00 A.M., Tuesday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 8:00 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. (Slovenian); Sunday: 9:30 A.M. (Slovenian), 11:00 A.M. (English); From Long weekend in July to the Long weekend of the September Sunday Mass is only at 10:00 A.M. (Slovenian-English) - KRSTI / BAPTISMS: For an appointment, call one month before. POROKE / MARRIAGE: For an appointment, call one year before the wedding date. SPOVED / CONFESSIONS: First Friday of the month 6 -7:00 P.M. (or by appointment) **BOLNIKÍ** - Sporočite, če je kdo bolan ali v bolnišnici, da ga obiščemo. You are DON BOSCO welcome to call for a personal conversation with your priest – please call for an appointment, Tel: 905-561-5971.

od 7. 10. 2018 do 14. 10. 2018

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

27. NEDELJA MED LETOM 7. OKTOBER Rožnovenska nedelja Sergij, mučenec	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Irma in Ludvik Hull † John Ponikvar †† Erna Jelenc (Maribor) † Martha Hočevar	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Hema Kosednar z družino Društvo sv. Jožefa (4) Julija Sagadin z družino Julija Sagadin z družino
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 8. OKTOBER	Bogu in Materi Božji v zahvalo	8:00 A.M.	N.N.
Benedikta, mučenka	Canada Thanksgiving Day	- Zanvaini	dan v Kanadi
Torek - Tuesday 9. Oktober Dionizij, šk-muč.	† Jožefa Lukšič † Paula Pelcar † Franc Raduha	7:00 р.м.	Hči Pepca Hapke Karol in Milka Ferko Žena z družino
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 10. OKTOBER Florencij, mučenec	Za bolne in trpeče † Paula Pelcar † Ed Kodarin † Drago Ferk	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Maša za bolnike in starejše Lojzka Saje Elizabeth Gimpelj z družino Žena
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 11. OKTOBER Janez XXIII., papež	† Štefan Ray † Ivan Žerdin † Elizabeth Gerič † Franc Raduha	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pogrebna maša Mary Fylypiw Karel Volf Karel in Marija Volf
PETEK - FRIDAY 12. OKTOBER Maksimilijan Celjski, mučenec	† Francka Pust † Ivan Mertuk †† Štefan in Verona Prša †† Maks in Maximilian Sagadin	7:00 р.м.	Family Pust Emilia Mertuk Emilia Mertuk Julijana Sagadin z družino
SOBOTA SATURDAY 13. OKTOBER Edvard, kralj	†† Jože in Štefan Dorenčec †† Starši Kuzma † Janez Kosednar † Marija Horvat † Jože Hanc †† Martha in Helena Virag	5:30 р.м.	Brat Ignac z družino Hči Jožica z družino Žena z družino Veronika Čurič Veronika Čurič Martin in Regina Nedelko
28. NEDELJA MED LETOM 14. OKTOBER Kalist I., papež-mučenec	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Viktorija in Marta †† Pokojni iz družine Ramus †† Pokojni iz družine Peternel † Sonja Baudek † Paula Pelcar	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M.	Sestra Zorka Rev Hči Sonja Sonja Peternel Setra Hema z družino Stan Pelcar