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VELIKA NOČ

**EASTER SUNDAY
RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD**

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»Kristus je vstal, zares je vstal!«

Krščanska velika noč premišljuje in obhaja osrednjo skrivnost krščanstva, brez katere je »naše oznanilo prazno in je prazna naša vera«, kot piše Pavel Korinčanom; to stori z zelo obsežnim izborom beril, ki se začne na velikonočno vigilijo in sklene z branji pri vstajenjski maši. Danes je namreč danih na izbiro voditelju liturgičnega zbora kar šest svetopisemskih odlomkov: stalen odlomek petrinskega oznanila poganu Korneliju (Apd 10,34a. 37-43).



Velikonočno oznanilo po Mateju je razčlenjeno v dve različni krili enega diptiha. Prvo krilo, ki je lastno Mateju in se tiče straž ob grobu, je zgrajeno na izmenjavanju dveh razredov oseb, stražarjev in žena. Vsak s svoje strani posebljata ta dva pristopa, odklanjanje in pripadnost, a oba morata, posredno ali neposredno, »preveriti« resničnost Kristusove velike noči in izpričati človeštvu njegovo nezmagljivo in neustavljivo moč. Drugo krilo, ki je krajše in bistveno, pa je slovesno in veličastno po svoji vsebini: prikazuje, kako Jezus izroča svoji Cerkvi odrešenijsko poslanstvo oznanjevanja in krščenja.

Ko premišljujemo prvo podobo diptiha vidimo, kako se spričo Kristusove skrivnosti zgodi ločitev: Jezusa sprejmejo pravični in tujci, Judje pa ga zavrnejo in preganjajo. Tako se vedno globlje zarezuje neozdravljiva rana med Cerkvijo in shodnico, ki jo Matej vedno znova doživlja in izpričuje. Toda proti vojakom, proti Herodu, proti judovskemu načrtu Jezusove dokončne vklenitve v temine smrti se dviga sijajno zmagoslavje vstalega, ki se razodeva ubogim in pozabljenim ali zavrnjenim kakor tuji trije kralji, ubogi Jožef, tukaj pa žene, najbolj ponižana ustvarjena bitja v orientalski družbi.

Odlomek se torej spremeni v teološko pripoved, v kateri prevladuje razodetje Boga okrog dveh tipičnih osebnosti, božjega sovražnika in verujočega. Božji sovražniki, rojeni v znamenju vojakov, so izmučeni in podkupljeni gledalci, ki zaman skušajo zaustaviti življenje, ki ga ima Kristus v sebi in ga hoče vliti vsemu vesoljstvu in človeštvu. Toda čudno, ravno oni bodo morali povedati velikim duhovnikom, kaj se je zgodilo«, ko so izkusili moč Življenja, ki je razodela njihovo stvarnost »mrtvih«. Denar, podoben onemu, ki so ga prejeli od Juda, je vrhunec njihove podlosti in njihovega poraza.

Spomniti se moramo, da vse do X.-XI. stoletja krščanska umetnost ni nikdar upodabljala vstajenja, in je bila s tem zvesta treznosti evangelijev. Hoteli so poudariti temeljno razsežnost, ki jo velika noč nosi v sebi, in torej njeno bistveno neizrekljivost. Le prestrašenost nevernikov in radostno začudenje verujočega sta odmev presežne stvarnosti, ki pa se je globoko zarezala v tkanino naše zgodovine. V središču teofanije je nasprotno Gospodov angel, se pravi glas Boga samega. Sedi na že prevrnjeni skali ob grobu, da bi predstavil dokončno božjo zmago nad smrtjo: grob je namreč v bibličnem izročilu znamenje smrti.

Angel oznanilo komentira in ga povezuje z dvema bistvenima dejstvom Jezusove besede (»kako je bil rekel«), ter z globoko izkušnjo verujočega, ki v praznem grobu vidi znamenje resnične Kristusove zmage nad smrtjo. Iz tega srečanja z veliko nočjo se rodi tudi misijonska razsežnost Cerkve - »pojdite in povejte: Vstal je od mrtvih!«

Verujoči pa so predstavljeni v podobi žena, ki so nenehne pričevalke dogodka »smrti in vstajenja« (navzoče so ob Jezusovi smrti in ob njegovem pokopu). Tudi če v njihovih srcih vlada temačnost, so odprte in razpoložljive za oznanilo in zato v praznem grobu, ki ga odkrijejo, odkrijejo smisel svoje vere in ponovno najdejo svoje veselje in svoje upanje.

S temi ponižnimi in v očeh družbe drugovrstnimi osebami Jezus začenja srečevanje s tistimi, ki jim Matej pravi »moji bratje«: Kristus pretrga zagrinjalo in posredovanje angela, sam osebno se napoti po njihovi poti. Zdaj žene postanejo vzor vere, ki časti in moli svojega Gospoda: »Pristopijo, mu objamejo noge in se mu poklonijo«.

Ko so prejeli oznanilo in doživeli velikonočno izkušnjo, se Kristusovi »bratje« napotijo v svet in oznanjajo »nauk Izraelovim sinovom, oznanjujoč mir po Jezusu Kristusu, ki je Gospod vseh«, kakor pravi Peter ob začetku sijajnega oznanila poganom, ki ga danes beremo v prvem berilu (Apd 10,36).

Srce tega oznanila je ravno v pričevanju vstajenja, razlog in opora vsake evangelizacije: »Na les so ga razpeli in umorili. Bog pa ga je tretji dan obudil in je dal, da so ga videle od Boga prej odbrane priče«. Prav to oznanilo razglaša tudi Pavel njim, ki so že sprejeli vero, bodisi Judje bodisi Grki, da bi postali korenina novih kristjanov. V tej luči razumemo vrednost velikonočnega odlomka, ki je vstavljen v 1Kor 5 in zgrajen po vzoru krščanskega velikonočnega »govora«. 14. Nisana je morala biti hiša povsem očiščena kvasu kvašenega kruha, ki simbolično pomeni počelo nečistosti (2 Mz 12,15), saj bo velikonočni kruh popolnoma nekvašen. Tudi mala količina kvasa lahko pokvari vse testo občestva. Šele po takšnem velikonočnem očiščenju bodo kristjani sposobni obhajati resnično veliko noč.

Seveda so kristjani že »opresni«, že so nov organizem, a grozi jim nevarnost, da bi jih tudi pozneje okužili mikrobi, ki so jih podedovali od starega kvašenega testa, od svoje preteklosti »starega človeka«. Pokazatelj resnične osvoboditve, ki jo je izvršil Kristus na našem starem kvasu, ne izključuje nenehne moralne zavzetosti. Tako je treba obhajati krščansko veliko noč: jagnje, obdano z opresniki v starem obredu, Kristus, obdan z očiščenimi kristjani v novi veliki noči. (Prim. Oznanjevalec 2004)

CVETNA NEDELJA V HAMILTONU IN OKOLICI

V nedeljo smo začeli sveto mašo malo prej. Namen je bil, da bi blagoslovili zelenje v spodnji dvorani, ker pa je deževalo, smo vse naredili kar v predverju cerkve. Zbor je zapel običajne pesmi za to priložnost. Carl je spremljal na orglah, John pa dirigiral. Pasijon smo prebrali po vlogah (Ivan Antolin, Mirko Zorko, Frank Novak). Za enajsto mašo je prišel g. Frank Kelly. Prav tako so začeli z blagoslovom palmovih vejic in drugega zelenja v atriju cerkve. Pesmi je prepeval angleški zbor ob spremljavi kitare (Ivan Mertuk). Tudi pri tej maši so pasijon brali po vlogah. Sam pa sem po prvi maši odhitel k društvu Sava, kjer smo prav tako imeli mašo. Tudi tam vreme ni dopuščalo, da bi blagoslovili zelenje zunaj. V kratki procesiji smo se iz veže odpravili k darovanju svete maše po obnovljeni dvorani. Cel teden so pridno belili, zamenjali luči v dvorani in plošče visečega stropa. Tokrat smo imeli tudi »stabilen« oltar, saj jim ga je podarilo društvo Triglav, ker zapirajo svojo dvorano. Po končani maši so pripravili dobro kosilo in kar večina se jih je zaustavila. Hvala kuhinji za okusne jedi.

In že sem hitel naprej do naslednje podružnice, k društvu Triglav v London. Za sveto mašo se zbiramo v angleški cerkvi St. John the Divine. Na začetku maše smo prav tako blagoslovili zelenje, bralci so sodelovali pri branju beril in pasijona. Eno berilo je navadno v slovenščini drugo pa v angleščini. Po maši pa so, kot je to že kar nekaj let navada, pripravili nekaj za pod zob v tamkajšnji dvorani v sklopu cerkve. Hvala vsem, ki poskrbijo, da bogoslužje vedno lepo poteka in tudi za vse, kar sledi v dvorani. Pot domov ni bila prav prijetna, saj je celo pot lilo kot iz škafa, vmes pa se je še bliskalo in grmelno.







PRVO SV. OBHAJILO



FIRST COMMUNION

Prosimo starše, da bi čimprej prijavili otroke za **PRVO SV. OBHAJILO**, ki bo v naši župniji v nedeljo, 26. maja 2019 ob 10:00h dopoldne.

Prijavite lahko tudi tiste otroke, ki so ali bodo šli k prvemu svetemu obhajilu v angleških cerkvah.

S pripravami bomo začeli prvo soboto v mesecu maju.

Pokličite župnišče: Fr. Drago Gačnik, 905-561-5971 ali 905-520-2014.



Fish Fry - Slovenska šola





Bled Planica Social Club



Mother's Day Lunch

May 5, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.

Special Guest Performance



Vokalna skupina PLAMEN

Tickets:

Adults \$30

Students \$15

For table reservations call:

Frank Gimpelj
905 531 0894

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Roman Štadler
289 241 8218

EASTER SUNDAY

Response:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

First Reading Acts 10:34. 37-43

Peter's "mini-Gospel" recapitulates the major events of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and tells how they lead to the forgiveness of people's sin.

Second Reading Col. 3:1-4 or 1Cor. 5:6-8

Colossians directs the thoughts of believers to contemplate Christ in glory. The passage from Corinthians links our celebration of the paschal feast with ethical behaviour.

Gospel John 20:1-9

The disciples find the tomb is empty and begin to understand the significance of what scripture foresaw, that Christ must rise from the dead.

"He saw and he believed."



Illustration

During last night's Vigil, celebrated throughout the world, thousands of people, of all ages, were received with great joy into the Church. Some were baptised, while those who had already been baptised were received into full communion. Each one has a precious story to tell. For some, conversion takes time. The Trappist monk and spiritual teacher Thomas Merton recorded that his journey began with a realisation of the presence of God in this present life, in the world and in himself. "When I entered the Church," he said, "I came seeking God, the living God, and not just the consolations of religion." Conversion, for others, can knock them off their feet. The Russian

writer Leo Tolstoy said that his whole life suddenly changed. "I ceased to desire what I had previously desired and began to desire what I formerly did not want," he wrote. An Irish priest in England once described the effect of transforming faith in this way. "I used to be stone deaf," he said. "I would see people stand up and go through all kinds of gyrations; they called it dancing. It seemed absurd to me – until one day I heard the music. And then I understood – how beautiful was the dance."

Gospel Teaching

The disciple whom Jesus loved – it's assumed that this was John – went into the empty tomb. He saw, and he understood. Suddenly, it all made sense – it was as if he heard the music. No, Jesus' body had not been stolen, as Mary of Magdala had thought – the cloths would hardly have been taken off and neatly folded. No – something totally amazing and unique had occurred. Jesus was not dead. He had risen from the dead – he was alive. Only after many days, when Jesus will have appeared to his disciples, eaten with them and sent his Spirit to them, will they fully understand what this all means. But the empty tomb will be for always a powerful sign that death cannot bind and hold the love that is God.

There was still the darkness of the early morning when the tomb was found empty – a darkness as at the very beginning, when the first day was created. And what is happening now is no less than the dawning of the first day of a new creation. The Spirit that hovered over the waters is the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead. Through the power of this Spirit everything will be brought together at the end of time into God's wonderful kingdom of peace and freedom.

At Christmas we celebrated the coming of God in flesh with the birth of Jesus. In a mysteri-

ous way all humanity, indeed all flesh, all creation, was united with God. Now, at Easter, what happened to Jesus has its effect on all flesh, all creation. Death is no longer the end. Jesus' own death on the cross must have seemed to his friends like the end of everything. Now they begin to realise that death is not the ultimate barrier, that even death can be overcome.

Application

If Easter were no more than something wonderful happening to Christ, then it would have little meaning for us. But all Jesus' actions

in his life were for others. He spelt out on Maundy Thursday, by the washing of his friends' feet, that he was among them to serve them. His death was the ultimate act of self-giving for others, for us, and now his rising from the dead is for us too. It affects us. It means that we have the freedom to become new creatures, who can look forward to life in glory with God. This is life-changing. Even blundering, impulsive Peter, who had recently denied his Lord three times, is transformed into a fervent preacher of this Good News. Like him, too, all the witnesses of the risen Christ were prepared even to lay down their lives for the truth, which they knew and believed. We too, all of us, those who have been believers for years as well as the new Christians of last night, are invited to be caught up in the new life offered by the risen Christ. With sins forgiven and our lives incorporated into the very life of God, what can we do but sing "Alleluia" and be joyful? Our religion is a faith of constant conversion, a daily turning towards our risen Lord – becoming ever closer. Each Sunday is a little Easter, when we can renew our baptismal commitment in the very presence of the risen, living Lord.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

Pevske vaje za mešani pevski zbor so ima ta teden vaje v četrtek, po večerni maši. Zbor poje zopet na belo nedeljo - nedeljo božjega usmiljenja. Angleški zbor ima vajo vsako sredo po večerni maši. Novi pevci vedno dobrodošli.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 21. april: **EASTER - St. Gregory the Great** - Masses: 9:30 a.m. Slovenian, 11:00 a.m. English.
- ♦ 22. april: Velikonočni ponedeljek - **St. Gregory the Great** - Mass: 10:00 a.m.
- ♦ 24. april: **CWL** - Our Lady of Good Counsel Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- ♦ 27. april: **Slovenski Park** - Spring Banquet 6:30 p.m. - Ansambel Brajda
- ♦ 28. april: **Lipa Park** - Ambassador - Mother's Day Luncheon
- ♦ 4. maj: **Bled** - Spring Opening of the Park
- ♦ 5. maj: **Bled** - Mother's Day Lunch
- ♦ 5. maj: **Sava** - Mass 1:00 p.m.
- ♦ 11. maj: **Sava** - Mother's Day Celeb. - Golden Keys
- ♦ 12. maj: **St. Gregory the Great** - Mass 10:00 a.m., Mother's Day Celebration by Slovenian School

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠAJO

- ♦ 21. april 9:30 a.m.: Kolenko Family
- ♦ 28. april 9:30 a.m.: Jožica Vegelj in Eva Erzetič

DAROVI

Za gradbeni sklad so darovali:

- \$ 100 je darovala SOD Pepca Hapke
- Hvala vam za vse darove.

CWL - KŽZ

We invite our parish community to Our Lady of Good Counsel Mass on Wednesday, April 24th at 7:00 p.m. At this Mass we honour our patroness, acknowledge new members and recognize ladies for notable years of service. A small reception will follow this Mass.

Our League wishes our parish community and their families a blessed and happy Easter. Vsem našim župljanom in njihovem družinam želimo blagoslovljene in vesele velikonočne praznike!

SAVA KITCHENER-BRESLAU

Društvo Sava v Kitchener-Breslavu vabi vse članice, člane, prijatelje, znance in vaše družine, da se nam pridružite v soboto, 11. maja 2019, na Materinski Banket.

Tako bomo vsi skupaj počastili naše matere, babice in prababice za njihov praznik.

Začetek je ob 6:00 uri s koktajli in potem večerja ob 7:00 uri.

V programu, po večerji, bomo počastili in se zahvalili Materi leta 2019, naši dolgoletni članici upravnega odbora ge. Zinki Mirt.

Za ples in veselo družbo nam bo igral **Ansambel Golden Keys.**

Vstopnice so v predprodaji do 8. maja. Za odrasle je cena \$40 p/o, za študente \$30, otroci do 12. leta imajo prost vstop.

Za informacije/rezervacije pokličite Marijo Prilesnik na telefon 519-884-4736 ali Kristino Balkovec na telefon 519-576-5149 ali katerega

Diocesan Newsletter

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od članov upravnega odbora.

Še enkrat najlepša hvala in srečne, vesele Velikonočne praznike naj vam prinesejo osebna zadovoljstva in miru. - Marija Prilesnik

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Are you caring for a loved one? Are they in need of palliative care? Do you have questions? A committee of experts, in various related fields, came together to answer possible questions that are often raised at this difficult time in a person's life. Find the answers to important questions at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/palliative.care>, or for further assistance call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2019? On Sunday, June 9, 2019, at 1:30 pm, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). Please register by May 20th to be sure your name is included in the program. Details are available on the poster in the church, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother, Join us for this extraordinary pilgrimage through Mary's life where we will see why she is an essential part of our faith. Guided by Dr. Edward Sri, we will journey through the biblical narrative of Mary's life and be intro-

duced to the Blessed Mother on a personal level showing how scripture, history & Jewish culture reveal the sorrows, anxieties & joys Mary would have held in her heart.

This **six session series** takes place **Wednesday afternoons beginning May 1st, 1:30 – 3:30**, at the **Chancery office in Hamilton**. The cost is \$35 and includes resources.

This program will be facilitated by David Dayler, please contact Monica Verin at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or mverin@hamiltondiocese.com to register by April 22nd.

MARMORA PILGRIMAGE

Please join us for the day of prayer on a pilgrimage to the Greenside Farm

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

8:00 AM - Mass at St. Gregory the Great

9:00 AM - Bus departure from the parking lot

9:20 AM - pick-up at Burlington Go-Station

8:00 PM - Return to St. Gregory the Great

Cost for the bus: \$40 per person (pay before May 1st)

Reservation:

Catharine - Tel.: 905-318-2242

Angela - Tel.: 905-930-7442

Halina - Tel.: 905-573-6499



DON BOSCO

SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday: 8:00 A.M., Tuesday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 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) **BOLNIKI -** Sporočite, če je kdo bolan ali v bolnišnici, da ga obiščemo. You are welcome to call for a personal conversation with your priest – please call for an appointment. Tel: 905-561-5971.

od 21. 4. 2019
do 28. 4. 2019

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

VELIKA NOČ EASTER SUNDAY 21. APRIL <i>Anzelm, škof-cerk.učit.</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane † Erin Lee Evans †† Pokojni iz družine Zupančič † Štefan Dundek † Marija Horvat † Ed Kodarin	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. Sejranić Family	Pevski zbor Magda Udovč Žena Aranka z družino Mož Ignac z družino
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 22. APRIL <i>Velikonočni ponedeljek</i>	† Ed Kodarin † Ana Zorčič, obl. †† Katarina Mujdrica in Juliana Gabor	10:00 A.M. Sejranić Family	Hči Jožica Vegelj z družino Marija in Toni Franc
TOREK - TUESDAY 23. APRIL <i>Jurij, mučenec</i>	†† Pok. Iz družine Trček † Ed Kodarin	7:00 P.M. Francka Seljak z družino Sejranić Family	
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 24. APRIL <i>Fidelis, duhov.-mučenec</i>	Za duhovno prenovo župnije V čast Mariji M. dobrega sveta † Ed Kodarin	7:00 P.M. Slomškovo oltarno društvo CWL Sejranić Family	
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 25. APRIL <i>Marko, evangelist</i>	† Alojzija Petrov † Ed Kodarin	7:00 P.M. Terezija Horvat Sejranić Family	
PETEK - FRIDAY 26. APRIL <i>Mati dobrega sveta</i>	† Ed Kodarin † Štefan Dundek † Karel Volf	7:00 P.M. Sejranić Family Družina Gergyek Žena Marija	
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 27. APRIL <i>Hozana, devica</i> Easter Vigil	† Marija Čolig † Marija Marič †† Megan in Michel Mes † Marija Čolig † Albina Baznik, obl. †† Josip in Jure Čunjak †† Ana Viktorovski in Marica Novosel	5:30 P.M. Dragica in Lojze Ferenčak Družina Mes Družina Mes Regina in Martin Nedelko Mož z družino Družina Kapušin Družina Kapušin	
2. VELIKONOČNA - BELA NEDELJA DIVINE MERCY 28. APRIL <i>Božje usmiljenje</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane † Ed Kodarin †† Veronika & Leopold Gimpelj in Frank, obl. † Alojz Sampl †† Maks & Maksimilijan Sagadin, obl.	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. Julijana Sagadin z družino	Sejranić Family Jože Gimpelj Družina Steržaj