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KRISTUSOVE PRIČE

Jezus se je na današnji dan poslovil od svojih učencev. Končal je svoje poslanstvo »v podobi človeka«. Jezus je sicer zagotovil, da ostane s svojimi vse dni do konca sveta, vendar ostaja na drugačne načine: po svetih zakramentih, zlasti po najsvetejšem zakramentu, po svoji besedi, po občestvu Cerkve, po škofih in duhovnikih, po Svetem Duhu, ki ga je svojim obljubil.

Ob slovesu je Jezus zapustil dragoceno sporočilo: »Čakajte Očetovo obljubo... Prejeli boste moč, ko pride na vas Sveti Duh in boste moje priče do konca sveta.« Jezus je svojim učencem zagotovil, da jih bo Sveti Di. lh spomnil vsega, kar jim je on povedal. Učenci bi bili najrajši, da bi Jezus ostal med njimi. Njegova obljuba jih je potolažila in razveselila. Potem so doživeli binkoštni čudež.

Naša pričakovanja so največkrat zelo konkretna: da bi imeli uspeh v šoli, pri delu, v družinskem življenju, v prijateljstvu; da bi živeli v čimbolj pravični in urejeni družbeni skupnosti; da bi bili obvarovani bolezni in nesreč; da bi mogli delati, kar nas veseli.

Zavedamo se, da so gornja pričakovanja nekaj lepega, toda niso največ. Pričakovanje, ki je lepše od vseh drugih pričakovanj, pa je, da ne gremo neizogibnemu koncu naproti, pač pa novemu in večnemu srečanju z nebeškim Očetom, Jezusom in Svetim Duhom. To se bo v polnosti zgodilo, ko bo Jezus Kristus znova prišel, da svoje povede v novo nebo in na novo zemljo. Do takrat je mogoče še na tisoče let. Toda v Božjih očeh je tisoč let kakor včerajšnji dan, ki je minil.

Da bi prav pričakovali, se moramo dati voditi Svetemu Duhu. Lahko si domišljamo, da smo že zadosti pametni in glede svojih načrtov in pričakovanj ne potrebujemo nobenih nasvetov. Vendar se nemalokrat izkaže, da so pričakovanja zgolj po naših zamislih zgrešena. Ali v velikih in malih odločitvah pričakujemo in prosimo Svetega Duha kakor apostoli od vnebohoda do binkošti?

OB 25 LETNICI VOKALNE SKUPINE PLAMEN

Letošnje jubilejno leto je za Slovence doma in po svetu poseben domoljubni simbol, saj so se pred 25 leti uresničile dolgoletne narodne sanje o samostojni državi. Ta zgodovinski dogodek je bil za vse Slovence obdobje navdušenja, narodnega ponosa in domoljubja, ki je se zlasti obogatilo kulturno ustvarjalnost kjerkoli prebivajo Slovenci.

Zato torej ni bilo naključje, da je prav v tem letu v Torontu zagorel »PLAMEN«, ki že 25 let razsvetljuje občinstvo v Kanadi in po svetu. To je vokalna Skupina Plamen pod vodstvom Marije Ahačič Polak.

Zbor si je v bogati karieri: od prvega nastopa na proslavi ob osamovojitvi Slovenije, pa do letošnjega srebrnega jubileja, zaslužen pridobil vlogo kulturnega poslanstva z nastopi v Kanadi, ZDA, Avstraliji in v Sloveniji.

Vokalna Skupina Plamen je zaznamovala svojo srebrno obletnico delovanja z koncertom v soboto 30. aprila v župnijski dvorani v Torontu. Poseben gost koncerta je bil pevski zbor Špendov iz Chicaga, ki je na poseben način popestril program in tudi poskrbel za razvedrilo po koncertu.

Vokalna skupina Plamen kot vedno, je tudi to pot navdušila občinstvo. Namreč, ob vsakem nastopu predstavi nekaj novega. Njihova posebnost pa je v tem, da dovršeno izvajajo pesmih različnih zvrsti, ki se prepletajo z prijento dvojezično vsebimo, kar je poseben doprinos Marije Ahačič Pollak. Zdi se, da je njihova uspešnica Rose postala njihova himna. To pot je še posebej

lepo zvenela ob spremljavi kitarista Milana Vincenca. Sonja Vidočič je odlično vodila dvojezični program.

Obiskovalci in številni sponsorji so z visoko udeležbo izrazili priznanje. Navdušeno so zaploskali ustanovnim članicam vokalne skupine Plamen, ki so: Amanda Bergant, Susan Stajan, Tina Štrucel, Sabina Sečnik, Tatjana Smrekar in Julija Konje. Danes šteje vokalna skupina Plamen kar 13 članic. Veleposlanik RS iz Ottawe, dr. Marjan Cencen, je ob svojem nagovoru v imenu ministra z kulture RS, predal ustanovnim članicam in umetniški voditeljici Mariji Ahačič Pollak, priznanje RS za dolgolento požrtvovalno delo pri ohranjanju slovenske kulture v zamejstvu.

Bil je to čudovit večer kulturnega doživetja, pa tudi domoljubne nostalgije, ki jo je v 25 letih zaznamovala vokalna skupina Plamen. Iskreno želimo, da letos v avgustu doživijo to njihovo poslanstvo tudi obiskovalci jubilejnih nastopov na turneji po Sloveniji.

Novak Frank





MATERINSKI DAN - BLED

V nedeljo, 1. maja 2016, je bilo praznovanje Materinskega dneva pri društvu Bled-Beamsville. Za kosilo se je zbralo sicer malo manj gostov, je pa bilo zato bolj domače, prijetno druženje ob dobrem kosilu in kratkem programu, ki je sledil. Lojze Lesica je spremljal na harmoniki naše pevce, ki so materam ubrano zapeli nekaj lepih pesmi.



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Response: God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

Jesus ascends into heaven.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23

Paul prays that the Christians in Ephesus may receive the Holy Spirit.

Or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23

The death of Jesus opened up a new way for us to draw close to God.

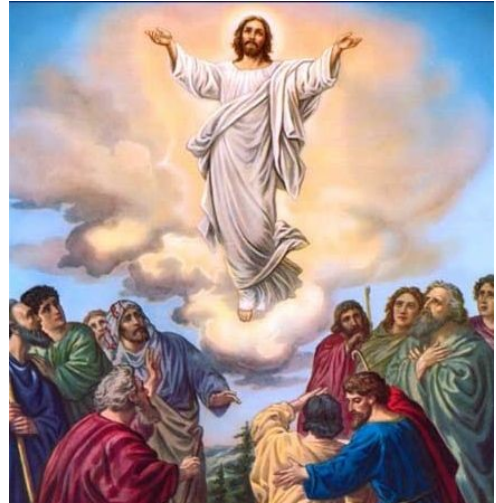
Gospel Luke 24:46-53

Jesus promised his disciples that he would send the Holy Spirit who would empower them to spread the Good News of his resurrection.

“As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight.”

Illustration

Little Mandy accompanied her mother, Sally, to the supermarket, holding on to the shopping trolley as she pushed it up and down the aisles. Unfortunately, as Sally stopped to compare two packets of cereal, Mandy wandered off, forgetting her mother. A few seconds later, she realised she was alone and lost. Mandy’s desperate cries of “Mummy!” rose above the ordinary sounds of the busy supermarket. Sally heard Mandy’s voice but could not see her. When the equally distraught Sally saw her daughter, she ran towards her, picked her up and held her close. Mandy’s sobs gradually subsided once she was safely in her mother’s arms. She was no longer alone. She had been lost but now was found. The only person in the world whom she wanted at that moment was her mother. For the



rest of that supermarket visit, Mandy clung to Sally’s side, holding onto her skirt and refusing to let go.

Mandy’s distress at her separation from her mother resembles what happens when it suddenly seems that God has abandoned us. The toddler did not need to search for her mother because it was Sally who would not rest until she found Mandy. When Mandy was reunited with her mother, she would not let her go. We can forget that it is less a case of our making the effort to find God as it is of God tirelessly coming to meet us and satisfying our inner longing.

Gospel Teaching

When Jesus ascended into heaven, his apostles were suddenly left alone. The Acts of the Apostles tells us how they found it difficult to believe or understand what they had just witnessed. For some time after he was no longer visible, they stood staring up into the clouds, probably feeling confused, abandoned and, perhaps, very scared. What would the future hold for them? They had accompanied Jesus throughout his public ministry. They lost him when he was arrested and lost him again when he died on the cross and was buried. In the days be-

tween Jesus' death and resurrection, they were probably overwhelmed with guilt at the realisation of their cowardice, when they abandoned him at the time of his greatest need.

When Jesus appeared to them on Easter Sunday, it was possibly an uncomfortable encounter; his forgiveness probably made them feel all the more guilty. At the same time, having those few days without him and then forty days once again in his presence led the apostles to realise just how much they had loved Jesus. Now he had gone again – and this time his absence would be permanent. He had just instructed them to go out into the whole world to proclaim the good news of God's love, but had left them to do it on their own. Jesus had promised them the Holy Spirit, but they did not yet understand his words. Jesus' ascension seemingly left them abandoned and lonely.

Application

There is a big difference between being alone and being lonely. Solitude can be very welcome: we all need space to think our own thoughts and to refresh our energies. Loneliness, on the other hand, is frightening. However much we might appreciate solitude, nobody wants to be lonely. Jesus told the apostles that the Holy Spirit would only come after his own departure. There would be a period of waiting and soul-searching before Pentecost arrived. Acts tells us that the apostles returned to the upper room and stayed there, possibly making each other feel worse as they shared their fears, guilt and questions. They were lonely because they felt lost and abandoned. Their experience was not the peaceful solitude of a retreat or a few hours in a quiet beauty spot. Instead, theirs was the anxiety of the lost child, longing to be found and comforted, worried whether or not they would ever again feel the protection and loving presence of Jesus in their midst.

Jesus knew what he was doing: in leaving the apostles to their own devices, he recognised the depths of loneliness that they would experience. He also knew that the Holy Spirit would find them in their emptiness and would grace them with the courage they needed to face the future. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they would carry out the mission that Jesus had given them. However difficult it was for the apostles when Jesus ascended into heaven, it was a vital step on their journey and ours.

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 Cathedral Rectory. At **2:30 p.m. prayer in the style of Taizé** – 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.

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

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

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 8. maj-Sunday: **Triglav-London** - Mother's day
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- ◆ 15. maj-Sunday: **Bled-Niagara Coordination meeting** at 1:00 p.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.**
- ◆ 3. junij-Friday: **Girl's Club - Spaghetti Dinner** at St. Gregory's Hall
- ◆ 5. junij-Sunday: **St. Gregory the Great - Corpus Christi procession - Mass 10:00 a.m. - London-Triglav:** Maša in procesija: 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ 12. junij-Sunday: **Slovenski park** - Maša in procesija: 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ 19. junij-Sunday: **Bled - Fathers Day:** Maša ob 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ 22. junij-Sunday: **Bled-SLOVENSKI DAN**

PRINAŠANJE DAROV: GIFT BEARERS

- ◆ 8. maj, 10:00 a.m.: Boris & Elizabeth Lukežič

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 COMMUNION 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.

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.

COOKING SESSION

Our May 28th cooking session for tips on making **Potica and Barley Stew is full.** I have a number of individuals still interested in yet another session - so I will keep everyone updated on when we can fit in another session to share this recipe with as many people as possible. We will do what we can to accommodate everyone.



DAY CAMP 2016

The **2016 Summer Day Camp** is on it's way and being organized. Remember, this Camp will take place **August 2nd to August 5th**.

There will be more information available in next week's Vestnik, however, we just wanted to make sure you all penciled in these camp dates as summer can get busy quickly.

Looking forward to another great Summer Day Camp with great Campers and leaders. High School students, don't forget, this is a simple way to get all your required volunteer hours in just one week.

POROKA-MARRIAGE

V soboto, 14. maja 2016 bosta skrenila zakrament svetega zakona: ženin **Jeffrey Andrew Mills**, sin Vernona Mills in Helen, roj Dubas in nevesta **Diana Teresa Ferenčak**, hči Alojza Ferenčaka in Dragice, roj. Hajdinjak. Želimo jima vso srečo na skupni življenjski poti.

KONZULARNE URE

Obveščamo, da bodo naslednje konzularne ure v Torontu **v soboto 14. maja 2016 med 14.00 in 17.00 uro** v prostorih Generalnega konzulata Republike Slovenije na Browns Line 747, Etobicoke.

Termin naslednjih konzularnih ur bo predvidoma v začetku junija 2016, točen datum bomo še sporočili.

DAROVI

Marija Glavač je darovala \$100 za don Boskovo cerkev v Mariboru; Madronich Ida je darovala \$120 za cerkev. Iskrena hvala za dar.



Sunny Sonček is back!

Dom Lipa Walk-A-Thon 2016

Walking On Sunshine

RAISING FUNDS TO HELP OUR SENIORS!

Sunday June 5, 2016

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

at the
Slovenian Summer Camp

17196 Mount Wolfe Road,
Caledon, Ontario
www.sloveniansummercamp.com



BBQ! Prizes!

Registration and Pledge Forms available at:
Dom Lipa, Slovenian Parishes and Slovenian Credit Unions

Walk - Run - Cycle

Nasvidenje!

Special thanks to our past and present participants, sponsors and donors!

The Slovenian Linden Foundation - Dom Lipa
52 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke, Ontario
Tel.: 416-621-3820
www.domlipa.ca
Charitable Registration Number: 119152064RR0001



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.

DON BOSCO

Od 8. 5. 2016
Do 15. 5. 2016

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

GOSPODOV VNEBOHOD 7. VELIKONOČ. NEDELJA 8. MAJ <i>Bonifacij, papež</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane † Tončka Demšar †† Alojz in Edy Pučko † Janez Kosednar, obl. †† Oče Ivan & sin Bronco Balazič For good health for the families	10:00 A.M. Demšar-Scarcelli Elka Peršin z družino Žena Hema z družino Jenny Antolin z družino Slovenian School
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 9. MAJ <i>Pahomij, puščavnik</i>	† Edward Žekš †† Slavica in Frank Župan †† V zahvalo sv. Janezu Bosku za zdravje	7:00 P.M. Žena Gerda z družino Mira Kwasniewska Helena Anica Miklavčič
TOREK - TUESDAY 10. MAJ - <i>Job, sv. mož</i>	† Jože Vuk V zahvalo za srečno pot	8:00 A.M. Marija Hočevar Lojzka Saje
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 11. MAJ <i>Estela, mučenka</i>	†† Marija in Ivan Ray † Marija Zelko † Marija Šlebič	7:00 P.M. Štefan in Gizella Ray Marija in Rudi Horvat Marija in Rudi Horvat
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 12. MAJ <i>Leopold Mandič, red. Pankracij, muč</i>	†† Janez in Marija Erzar in sestra Anica †† Pokojni iz družine Kološa † Ivan Tompa †† Zofija in Mihael Ferenčak † August Žalik	7:00 P.M. Družina Erzar Majda Salajko Sestra Agata in družina Alojz Ferenčak z družino Alojz Ferenčak z družino
PETEK - FRIDAY 13. MAJ <i>Fatimska M. Božja M. Mazzarello, red.us.</i>	†† Vsi pokojni farani †† Genorija, Tončka in Albin †† Ivan in Ana Šemen † Blaž Čulig †† Max in Maksimilian Sagadin	7:00 P.M. Tone in Marija Bukvič Betty Gimpelj z dru. Sin Ivan z družino Ladislav Salajko Julija Sagadin z družino
SOBOTA SATURDAY 14. MAJ <i>Bonifacij, muč.</i>	Za verne duše v vicah Za srečo v zakonu: Diana & Jeffrey † Jurij Madronich †† Janez in Terezija Prša † Štefan Prša †† Pokojni iz družine Balazič †† Pokojni Ftičar † Barbara Penezič † Vera Staniša	9:15 A.M. N.N. 1:00 P.M. Poročna maša 5:30 P.M. Family Terezija Prša z družino Terezija Prša z družino Matilda Bratuž Joe Ftičar z družino Sonja in Andy Bubaš Pepca Hapke
BINKOŠTI - PENTECOST 15. MAJ <i>Zofija (Sonja), mučenka</i>	Za žive in rajne župljane † Martina Kolar † Ivan Mertuk	9:30 A.M. Družina Groznik 11:00 A.M. Stanko Žerdin