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**5TH SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

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TRI ZVEZDE VODNICE



Če si nekoliko bolj svobodno ogledujemo prizor iz Razodetja o Kristusu, ki v roki drži sedem zvezd, lahko na simbolni ravni presojamo bogoslužno branje današnje nedelje, ki nam prikazuje Kristusa, kako nam ponuja tri zvezde kot vodnice v večkrat temni hoji našega bivanja.

Prvo zvezdo nam predstavljajo Apostolska dela v vsem njenem sijaju: »**Ostati trdni v veri**«. Tu gre vsekakor za zvezdo, ki prodira skozi goste oblake. Vendar pa morata Pavel in Barnaba »navdušiti« kristjane in jih spomniti, da je treba »iti

skozi veliko stisk, da pridemo v božje kraljestvo«. Kakor je moral Jezus prehoditi mračno pot trpljenja in križa, tako se mora tudi učenec napotiti na zahtevno, s kamenjem posuto in trnovo pot preizkušenj in pregnanja. Ko je hotel Jezus orisati bistveno podobo svojih učencev, se je takole izrazil: »Vi ste vztrajali z menoj v mojih preizkušnjah. Prepuščam vam kraljestvo, kakor ga je meni prepustil moj Oče«. »Vi boste žalostni, vendar se bo vaša žalost spremenila v veselje ... in nihče vam ne bo mogel odvzeti vašega veselja.«

Jezusove besede ob zadnji večerji nam dajejo razumeti, da njegova navzočnost in naša vera zmoreta raztopiti led naše malodušnosti. Krisjan se mora veseliti tudi takrat, ko je dan temačen.

Sedaj lahko dopustimo, da zasveti **druga zvezda**, tista, ki ji pravimo **upanje**. Ta se blešči na svodu nebeškega Jeruzalema; pred naše oči se prikazuje v čudoviti upodobitvi, ki nam jo ponuja današnje drugo bogoslužno branje; gre za fresko, ki se začenja na nebu in zaobjema vso zemljo, tako, kot je bila v jutranji zarji stvarjenja, ko je bilo premagano pravtvo morje, ki predstavlja znamenje nereda.

Oko se ustavlja na podobi mesta, ki v megleni prepoznavnosti dobiva obrise srečne neveste, ki se na poročni dan privija k ženinu. Znotraj tega

mesta miru gospoduje navzočnost Boga samega, Emanuela, ki ostaja vedno z nami. Iz tega mesta so izgnane vse stvari »od prej«. Nastal je nov svet in nova zgodbina. In to je tisti načrt, ki ga je imel Bog na začetku svojega velikega stvariteljskega podviga; je načrt, ki ga je človek s svojim grehom in svojo sebičnostjo onečastil; to je načrt, ki ga hoče Bog na novo sestaviti in podariti človeku. V tem načrtu človek, napolnjen z upanjem, sodeluje, čeprav mu ljudje okrog njega postavljajo ovire.

»Nikoli naj se ne naveličamo pričakovanja božjega Jeruzalema, nikoli naj se ne utrudimo pri ponujanju svojih rok pri njegovi izgradnji, pri sodelovanju z Bogom, velikim in prvim mojstrom,« nas opominja že sv. Avguštin.

Judovski izrek pravi, da si je pred stvarjenjem Bog določil deset delov lepote; devet jih je namenil Jeruzalemu in enega preostalemu svetu. Tako je naredi tudi z desetimi deli modrosti. Ko je prišel do bolečin, jih je tudi devet namenil Jeruzalemu in eno samo ostalemu svetu. Bolečina ima svojo težo, torej je zemeljski Jeruzalem tudi danes zaznamovan s krvjo: je znamenje za vsa naša mesta in vse naše cerkve. Vendar nas oznanilo upanja vabi, da presojamo ta Jeruzalem kot tistega, ki ni dokončen, čeprav je del božjega načrta ljubezni in človeške ljubezni, pač Jeruzalem Razodetja.

Ljubezen pa je zadnja in **najbolj sijoča zvezda**, ki nam jo predstavlja današnje besedno bogoslužje. Ta je skoraj kot zvezda severnica vseh znamenitih Jezusovih govorov pri zadnji večerji, kot jih omenja Janez in so navedeni v tem evangelijskem odlomku. Jezus se obrne k svojim učencem, jih nežno pokliče kot »otročice« in jim ponudi svojo »novo zapoved«. Ta je »nova«, ker je temeljno določilo in edina v »Novi zavezi«, napovedani že pri Jeremiju in je bila razglašena z Gospodovim vstajenjem. V tej ljubezni ne gre več, da bi ljubili bližnjega kot sami sebe, kot je učila že Stara zaveza, temveč »kot sem vas jaz ljubil«, z isto celovitosjo in popolno podaritvijo kot Kristus, Božji Sin.

Ljubezen tako postaja edina kartica prepoznavnosti glede pripadnosti Kristusovi skupnosti.

(Prim. Oznanjevalec - leto C_2006/7, štev. 3)

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Response: I will bless your name for ever, my king and my God.

First Reading Acts 14:21-27

The first Christians were badly treated, but Paul and Barnabas lifted their spirits. We all go through many hardships, they said, on our way to glory.

Second Reading Apocalypse 21:1-5

There is to be no more suffering in God's new creation. Heaven will no longer be remote when God comes to dwell among humankind.

Gospel John 13:31-35

Jesus helped his disciples to understand true glory. Selfless love was to be their rule of life.

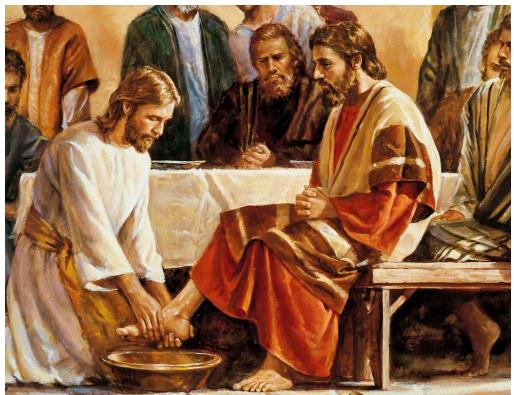
“Just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.”



Illustration

”All You Need Is Love“ is one of the most famous songs by The Beatles. It was written in 1967 for a television programme called Our World, the first to be broadcast live to a global audience. Over 400 million people from twenty-five countries tuned in to watch it. The Beatles had been asked for a song that people of every nation could understand, which is why the lyrics are simple and repetitive: ”All you need is love, love. Love is all you need...“

The song’s writer, John Lennon, was not the first to offer that message to the world. Almost two thousand years earlier, another John had uttered similar words to the Christians of his day. He was St John the Evangelist, thought to have been the author of today’s second reading and



Gospel. By tradition, St John lived to a very great age. When he became too frail to walk, his disciples would carry him to church. By now his voice was weak, but people kept begging him for a few words, because he was the last living link with the Lord Jesus. So St John would raise himself up on his stretcher. "Little children, love one another!" he would say. It was always the same thing and people started to tire of it. "Teacher, why do you always say this?" they complained. And the old man would reply, "Because the Lord commanded it, and if you keep that commandment, even if you do nothing else, it is sufficient."

Gospel Teaching

Today's Gospel recalls the moment when the Lord gave that commandment to his followers. They were a diverse group, these disciples of Jesus, often at odds with one another. Jesus seems to have deliberately chosen people unlikely to form natural bonds of affection, as though their differences somehow commanded them as champions of his way of love. "Love one another," he urged them, "just as I have loved you." He called this his "new" commandment, though there was already one very like it, for it was a requirement of the Jewish Law to love your neighbour as yourself. The new commandment, however, went much further. Jesus was asking his followers, not just to treat peo-

ple as they themselves would like to be treated, but to treat people kindly at whatever cost to themselves. To love as Jesus loved was to love the unlovable; to forgive the unforgivable; to keep on loving and forgiving, whether or not it might be reciprocated.

The disciples struggled with this radical redefinition of neighbourly love. They did not always approve of the people Jesus embraced and forgave. They were dismayed to see what it cost him. When he stooped to wash their own feet, Peter objected. Jesus, it seemed, was ready to suffer any amount of humiliation, even to risk his own life – and now he was expecting them to do the same. Today's Gospel, however, makes it clear: there is nothing shameful about serving others. On the contrary, it is a glorious thing.

Application

In that so-called "Summer of Love" of 1967, The Beatles' song "All You Need Is Love" became something of an anthem. Many young visionaries of that post-war generation dreamed of a new world, of not only a peaceful society, but a more permissive one. "Make love, not war!" they protested. Self-indulgence, however, was not what Jesus had in mind. Citizens of the kingdom of God were to share their lives in mutual fidelity, reverence and service. Indeed, when Jesus commanded people to love one another as he did, he was asking his followers to emulate God. That meant reaching out to people who were marginalised and stigmatised, welcoming home the sinner, feeding those who were hungry and caring for those who were sick. It made Jesus an outcast. Yet divine love knows no bounds: it is all grace, and whenever any of us imitate that seemingly impossible way of loving, God is seen in us and honoured.

We live in an exciting age of rapid change, an age in which many have begun to embrace diversity and value people equally. Yet our Lord is still commanding us, his disciples, to go beyond the social norms of our day. He commands us, not just to love, but to love as he loves; to treat people well, whoever they are, and even if it creates difficulties for ourselves. We need not worry what other people will think. It is at such selfless moments that, in God's eyes, we appear not foolish, but glorious.



Spring Pig Roast

Bled Hall

4650 South Service Rd., Beamsville, Ontario

28th May, 2022 - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Dinner include
potatoes and
coleslaw

\$25.00/meal

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event or stay
and eat at
the park

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June 18th, 2022 - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Roasted Pork dinner \$25, Lamb dinner \$30, Cevap dinner \$15
(includes side, salad, bread)

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Delavnica rezancev je v torek znova spravila v pogon stroje - dobro, da v dveh letih niso zarjaveli. Hvala vsem, ki ste priskočile in poprijele za delo.



AGING WITH WISDOM AND GRACE

Aging with Wisdom and Grace is the title of the upcoming webinar being offered on line by the Diocese.

You can register for this event, which happens this Wednesday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m., on the Diocese of Hamilton website and look under Upcoming Events.

GRIEF RELIEF

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone!

The Diocese of Hamilton will be offering a four week online grief program on Tuesday evenings from 7 – 8:30 p.m. May 17, 24 & 31, and June 7, 14 & 21st. Find out more on the Diocesan website and register to receive the zoom link [at https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support](https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support), or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



Na računu »Eno Srce, Ena Duša« - »One Heart, One Soul« za našo slovensko župnijo sv. Gregorija Velikega je on April 21, 2022:

\$128,543. - Pledged

\$105,343. - Paid



Hvala vsem, ki ste že prispevali.

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOLEDAR DOGODKOV PO DRUŠTVIH:

- **May 20-23, 2022 - Slovenski park - Victoria Day long Weekend:** Mass & Procession, Sunday May 22nd at 1:00 p.m.
- **May 28, 2022 - Bled - Spring Pig Roast**
- **May 29, 2022 - St. Gregory the Great - First Communion and Confirmation** - Mass with bishop Douglas Crosby at 10:00 a.m.
- **June 4, 2022 - Slovenski park - Golf tournament - Cambridge Golf Club**
- **June 5, 2022 - St. Gregory the Great - Late spring Banquet** - Mass 10:00 a.m. - Dinner in upper hall
- **June 12, 2022 - Lipa Park - Open House-Folk arts Picnic**
- **June 12, 2022 - London** - Mass & procession - 3:00 p.m. - St. John the Divine Church
- **June 18, 2022 - Bled - Fathers Day Picnic**
- **June 25, 2022 - Slovenski park - Slovenski Dan**

ČIŠĆENJE CERKVE - CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

May 28th - Lojzka Novak team

June 11th - Lukežič, Volčanšek

June 25th - Jožica Vegelj and team

GIFT BEARERS

Now that we are able to worship together in person, without restrictions, we will restart the Gift Bearer tradition at St. Gregory's on Palm Sunday at the 9:30am Slovenian Mass.

If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on the chart in the foyer, or give your name to Pamela.

KRST - BAPTISM

V nedeljo, 8. maja 2022, je zakrament sve-tega krsta prejela deklica Oliveira Mija Moze-tič. Starša deklice sta oče Dejan Mozetič in mati Heather, roj. Cowie. Iskrene čestitke staršema ob krstu deklice. Naj ju spremlja priprošnja nebeške matere Marije in božji blagoslov.



DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad so darovali:

Toni in Marija Franc sta darovala \$50 v spomin na pokojno Milko Ferko in \$50 v spomin na pokojnega Franka Mramor.

Olga Peternel je darovala \$30 v spomin na pokojno Susan Gentilcore.

Family Letnik je darovala \$50 v spomin na pokojnega Ivana Žižek.

Hvala za vse vaše darove.

HOLY FATHER WILL VISIT CANADA

THE VATICAN HAS CONFIRMED that the Pope Francis will visit Canada July 24th to 29th and will have three hubs for his visit: Edmonton, Quebec City, and Iqaluit. Given his age, the limited time frame, and the size of the country, the host communities will minimize travel for the Pope and allow for events to take place in close proximity to the hub cities. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is committed to ensuring Indigenous participation from across the country and will be working with Indigenous partners on programming and other key elements of the visit. We pray for improved health for the Holy Father.



SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 5:30 P.M. (Slovenian-Sunday Mass); Sunday: 10:00 A.M. (Slovenian-English - For the time of Covid-19 it is only one Mass on Sundays) - **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.

DON BOSCO

Mesec maj hitro teče. Ta teden, kot ste videli iz slik, so naše pridne delavke zopet začele s pripravami na »Pozni spomladanski banket«, ki bo prvo nedeljo v juniju, t.j. 5. junija. Do takrat bodo nekaj rund »nudlcev« naredile, da si jih boste lahko kupili.

Te dni tečejo tudi priprave na birmo in prvo obhajilo, ki bo zadnjo nedeljo v mesecu maju. Takrat bo samo ena sveta maša ob 10h s škofovom Crosbijem Douglasom.

Okoli hiše tudi počasi urejamo. Te dni smo dobili mojstra, da je popravil naprav za hlajeњe pri dvoranji in pregledal ostale enote za cerkev in župnišče. Potrebno je, preden se začne sezona, da bo vse nared ko jih bomo rabili.

Prav tako župnijski svet ureja in »čisti« v dvoranah, da bomo počasi lahko začeli dvorane tudi oddajati. Marsikaj je potrebno postorit, v dveh letih se je marsikaj nabralo.

Tako, da dela nam tu okoli cerkve ne zmanjka. Ta teden smo posadili v lončke nekaj rož, da ne bo preveč pusto.



V tem tednu so naslednje obletnice smrti faranov, ki so zapisani v naših knjigah:

Kolenc	Mirko	May 16, 2000
Ipavec	Maria Katarina	May 16, 2011
Obal	Ivan	May 16, 2012
Zrim	Sidonia	May 19, 1990
Sobočan	Ivan	May 20, 2012
Novak	Paul Richard	May 21, 2015
Horvat	Jožica	May 22, 2008

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

	Za žive in rajne župljane		-----
5. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	† Avgust Čurič †† Bratje in sestre Marinič †† Marija in Martin Markoja † Ifko Marija † Branko Bukovac † Ivan Glavač † Ivan Glavač †† Ivan in Maria Augustin † Peter Augustin	9:30 A.M. SLOVENIAN MASS & 11:00 A.M. ENGLISH MASS	Olga Glavač z družino Družina Raduha Družina Raduha Regina Halas Družina Majzelj Rozalija Čule Jože in Albina Antolin Sin Zdravko z družino Brat Zdravko z družino
15. MAJ ZOFIJA (SONJA), MUČENKA			
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 16. MAJ <i>Janez Nepomuk, duh-muč.</i>	† Milka Ferko Po namenu † Slava Gomboša	7:00 P.M.	Terezija Sarjaš z družino Ivka Pašalić Terezija Kralj
TOREK - TUESDAY 17. MAJ <i>Jošt, puščavnik</i>	† Ivan Žižek † Ivan Žižek † Ivan Žižek † Frank Mramor	7:00 P.M.	Rozika in Slavi (Montreal) Žena Rose z družino Olga Čulig Društvo sv. Jožefa (1)
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 18. MAJ, Janez I., pp-mučenec	†† Franc in Verona Korošec † Franc Litrop	7:00 P.M.	Marija Korošec z družino Vera Gonza
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 19. MAJ, Urban I., papež	† Frank Pinter † Milka Ferko	7:00 P.M.	Jožica in Ivan Vegelj Ana Gergyek
PETEK - FRIDAY 20. MAJ, Bernardin, duh.	† Alojz Joželj, obl. † Ivan Sobočan, obl. † Ivan Sobočan Obl. † Ivan Sobočan, obl.	7:00 P.M.	Hči Sonja Langenfus Žena Cecilija John in Milka Sobočan z druž. Marija Hočevar
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 21. MAJ <i>Krištof in mehiški mučenci Mancij, mučenec</i>	† Matija Vlašič †† Paul Richard, obl. & Pavel Novak †† Terezija in Anton Kremesec † Emil Miklavčič, obl. †† Marija in Jože, obl. Rajter †† Frank in Slavka Mramor † Milka Ferko † Maja Saje †† Jože in Marija Zelko	5:30 P.M.	Žena in otroci Helena Špiler Družina Malveič Družina Kodarin Družina Mes Družina Kosednar Ivan Nedelko z družino Lilijana Jesenik Lilijana Jesenik
6. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Za žive in rajne župljane		-----
22. MAJ MARJETA, REDOVNICA NEDELJA TURIZMA	†† Ivan in Veronika Obal † Hilda Žigon † Milka Ferko † Stanko Bratuž † Jože Raduha † Josie Gimpelj † Alojz Lesica †† Pokojni člani društva † John Zakrajšek †† Janko in Veronika Broz	9:30 A.M. SLOVENIAN MASS & 11:00 A.M. ENGLISH MASS 1:00 P.M.	Toni in Marija Franc Toni in Marija Franc Manja Erzetič Žena Matilda Jože in Albina Antolin Family Lesica Žena z družino Slovenski Park Branko Gašpar z družino Družina Kuzma