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3. POSTNA NEDELJA

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Božja hiša naj bo Božja hiša!

Ko je Jezus šel za veliko noč - Pasho - v Jeruzalem, tako kot vsak odrasel Jud, ga je ob prestopu vrat tempeljskega obzija zmotilo kričanje prodajalcev daritvenih živali in menjalcev denarja. Prvi so prodajali vole, ovce, golobe in grlice, drugi pa so Judom iz tujine menjavali denar, saj je bilo možno plačevati tempeljski davek samo s palestinskim de-narjem. Ves hrušč in trušč trgovčičev in kramarjev je prodiral v tišino Božje hiše, to pa Jezusu nikakor ni bilo všeč. Nekje je pobral kos vrvi, spletel iz nje bič in začel z njim naganjati s tem-peljskega prostora prodajalce, kupovalce in živali - le golobom je prizanesel, a zahteval od lastnikov, naj jih odnesejo. »Bankirjem« je prevrnil mize, da so se kovanci skotalili po tleh. Vsem pa je z močnim glasom zabičeval, naj Božje hiše ne spreminjajo v semenj.

Tempeljska policija je o Jezusovem početju takoj obvestila veliki zbor, ta pa je poslal nad Jezusa nekaj duhovnikov, da ga pokličejo na odgovor. Saj ni Mesija, da sme početi kaj takega? Če si božji poslanec, naredi čudež in ti bomo verjetli. Jezus jim je mirno odgovoril: »Poderite ta tempelj in jaz ga bom v treh dneh spet postavil.« »Nikar se ne smeš! Že skoraj petdeset let zidajo ta tempelj, pa ga boš ti v treh dneh spet postavil, če ga podremo?« Tempelj so res začeli graditi že leta 20 pr. Kr., pa še ni bil končan.

Jezus je s svojim odgovorom hotel reči, da bo s svojim vstajenjem dokazal, da ima pravico narediti red v templju. Tudi njegovi učenci so ta njegov odgovor razumeli šele po njegovem vstajenju. A Jezus je z odgovorom povedal še več: tisti kraj, kjer bo po njegovem vstajenju Bog med ljudmi navzoč, bo on, Jezus, in češčenje Boga se bo navezovalo nanj.

Ko so se kasneje učenci spomnili teh njegovih besed, jim je prišlo še bolj v zavest, da so starozavezni preroki napovedovali njegovo smrt in vstajenje, s tem pa je postala njihova vera tako v prerokbe kot v Jezusove besede še bolj trdna. Z očiščenjem templja je Jezus pokazal brezmejno ljubezen do Božje hiše. Povedal je pa še veliko več: z njim, Mesijo, se končuje starozavezni Božji načrt s človekom in se začenja novozavezni.



St. Joseph's 2018 Banquet

18. marec 2018

Kosilo/Dinner @ 12:00 - noon

Organizator: Slovensko društvo sv. Jožefa

Featuring: »Special Guest«

V dvorani župnije sv. Gregorija Velikega,
125 Centennial Pkwy N., Hamilton, ON L8E 1H8

Entrance:

Adults: \$25.00

Students: \$10.00

Children (12 & under): Free

Draw

for door

prizes

Please contact Peter Novak 905 928-9984 for tickets.

Tickets can be purchased on Sundays before or after mass or Tuesday nights in the Villa. Deadline for tickets is Friday March 16th. No sales at the door!!!

Your **Parish Council** invites you to attend the **Annual General Meeting Sunday, March 11th, 2018** after **one 10:00 a.m. Mass.**

Our format will be the same as last year – we will have **one mass at 10:00 a.m.;** after Mass we invite all parishioners to join us for light refreshments (*coffee, tea etc...*) before the start of our meeting. After the meeting, we will again provide everyone in attendance with a complimentary light lunch so that you can all still enjoy a wonderful Sunday afternoon and evening.

After the winter we have had, let's take advantage of every nice day that we get. We encourage all parishioners to attend this meeting and participate in conversations pertaining to our future. We had some changes to events and have some new ideas to share, so we hope that you will all make an effort to come out, show your support and share your thoughts. **EVERYONE is welcome!**

Our Parish is continuously evolving and now more - so than ever before. It is crucial that we remain current. Father Drago Gačnik requires assistance in guiding and managing the spiritual, cultural and social life of parish members, and his main support comes from the Parish

SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2018

ONE MASS

Time: 10:00am

FOLLOWED BY:

OBČNI ZBOR

Time: 11:15am

**Starting with light refreshments
Following the Annual General Meeting
A complimentary Light Lunch will be provided**

Council. This volunteer committee is critical to the continued success and health of our parish. Every parish member should have the opportunity to serve on this committee at least once in their life. Although we have some great people on our Parish Council we can always use fresh ideas, and hope that there are parishioners interested in considering becoming a Parish Council member.

If you are interested and willing to come on board, please contact Heidy Novak to discuss any questions you may have – email: novakh@sympatico.ca or cell: 905-317-6002.

St. Gregory the Great Slovenian Parish – Občni Zbor – April 2nd 2017– 11:15a.m

Draft minutes.

Council members present: Fr. Drago Gačnik, Tony Horvat, Sonya Podrebarac, Elka Peršin, Heidy Novak, Sidonia Poppa, MaryAnn Demšar, Joe Pust, Jerry Ponikvar, Pamela Gosgnach.

Absent with regrets: K. Ferko

71 parishioners in attendance – including council members.

Welcome: Parishioners were served coffee and sweets prior to the formal opening of the meeting at 11:15am. Heidy welcomed everyone and reminded those present of the contributions made to the success of the parish by former priests and parishioners. A moment of silence was observed in their honour. Father Drago led the opening prayer.

Acceptance of the proposed agenda: Proposed by Jerry Ponikvar seconded by Maryanne Demšar. All in favour.

Approval of minutes of February 21st, 2016 Občni Zbor: Proposed by Sidonia Poppa seconded by Manja Erzetič All in favour.

Committee Reports:

a) **Catholic Women's League** - reported by Sidonia Poppa.

Item	Information/Action
Number of members in 2016	97
Activities undertaken in 2016.	Annual bazaar. Our Lady of Good Counsel Mass- where 3 new members were welcomed and 10 and 25 - year service pins were awarded. Corsages and boutonnieres presented to 1 st Communion and Confirmation candidates. Participated in Procesija at St. Gregory's and Slovenski Park. August 10th Summer Social held at King's Buffet. Memorial Mass held in November. Visited sick/elderly at Christmas. Christmas Social for members and parishioners. Organized several food drives. Cooking sessions organized by Heidy Novak
Donation of funds raised from Votive Candle and Bazaar proceeds - made in 2016	\$11,299.00 to St. Gregory's Various amounts to: Visiting priests, Slovenian Summer Camp, Fort McMurray relief, CWL Pornography Hurts Campaign, Dr. Simone Food for Children and Haiti Relief.
Other financial obligations.	Monthly Masses, convention fees and child sponsorship through Chalice organization.

b) Catholic Girl's Club - reported by Heidi Novak.

Item	Information/Action
Not as active as in past years, but continued with traditional events.	Hosted annual spaghetti dinner in June - with resulting donation of \$1,000.00 to Fort McMurray relief. Planning a family carnival for the summer of 2017.

c) Liturgični Odsek - reported by Sonya Podrebarac

Item	Information/Action
Current committee members.	Father Drago Gačnik, Olga Glavač, Mary Miklavčič, Frank Novak, Sonya Podrebarac.
Spiritual events organized.	First Communion/Confirmation, Spiritual retreats, Lent and Easter Season, Advent and Christmas celebrations.
Other responsibilities	Bi annual mailings. Schedule of Gift bearers for Slovenian Mass.
Parish statistics	Baptisms-7, Marriages – 1, Funerals – 10, First Communion – 8 Confirmation – 12.

d) Slomškovo Oltarno Društvo – reported by Jožica Vegelj

Item	Information/Action
Membership in 2016 - 45	New members are always welcome.
Annual activities reported	Scheduled cleaning and decorating the church to enhance worship. Members who would like to be added to the cleaning scheduled were asked to contact Jožica Vegelj or Pamela Gosgnach. Care and cleaning of vestments and altar linens. Annual Mass held in April/ May. Annual luncheon for the sick and elderly held in October. Making and sale of strudel and krofe to raise funds.

e) Kulturno društvo: * Slovenska šola – reported by Sandy Ferletič

Item	Information/Action
2016-17 registration. Teachers.	30 students. Mateja Mihelčič – K, 1 and 2. Lorie Mramor – 3,4 and 5 Sandy Ferletič – 6,7 and 8 Kristina Kure- Hočvar- Catechism Father D. Gačnik – singing and performance preparation.
2016 Graduates. Activities organized.	Adam Antolin, Julia Miklavčič, Matjaž Mramor Good Friday Fish Fry, Mother's Day lunch, Miklavž and Christmas tree decoration, end of school party at Laser Tag and coffee Krofe after Sunday Mass.

* **Pevski zbori** – reported by Frank Novak

Item	Information/Action
History of St. Gregory's choirs	<p>Majolka and mixed choirs established over 50 years ago. English choir has a 30 - year history.</p> <p>Slovenian School children's choir performs at various functions and special Masses throughout the year. Recently string and woodwind players have accompanied Christmas Eve Mass.</p> <p>With the introduction of a single bilingual Mass on special event both choirs sing. The choirs are on vacation during the months of July and August.</p>
Choir leaders	Father Drago Gačnik, Ivan Mertuk and John Horvat with Karel Vegelj as accompanist.

* **Plesna Skupina:** reported by David Antolin, read by Sandy Ferletič

Item	Information/Action
Venec - 2016	<p>Many of the group members are now married or have children involved in a variety of activities. In spite of everything, the group managed to perform at Slovenski Park's first "Button Box" event, held in July. The dancers were congratulated not only for their dancing enthusiasm but also for their beautiful Gorenjska costumes.</p> <p>Members would need to remain dedicated for the group to continue. - New members are always welcome.</p>
Soča - 2016	No performances in 2016 and very little interest in maintaining the group. It has been suggested that we try to incorporate the idea of a youth club into the group. Plans are being formulated for a performance, incorporating masks, at the February 2018 Kurentovanje to be held in Cleveland.

f) **Summer Day Camp:** reported by Heidy Novak and written by Linda Novak

Item	Information/Action
Number of campers in attendance- 35	Each day began with prayer and singing followed by a variety of activities including, craft, sports, water balloons, bingo, picture dress up, magician, bouncy castle and cotton candy. Unfortunately, due to poor weather, the concluding family barbecue and soccer game had to be cancelled.
Camp Director	Amanda Novak
Junior Camp Leaders	Jason Horvat, Nicholas and Vanessa Scarcelli, Christopher Dunn, Rita Bartula, Thomas and Tilen Groznic, Carmen Hode, Sofia Labricciosa, Joel and Adam Antolin, Tonya and Julie Miklavčič, Amalia and Nikola Lukežič.
Adult helpers.	Linda Novak, Mike Brake, Sidonia Poppa, Maryanne Demšar and Emily Novak. Thanks are also due to the parents and grandparents who encouraged, drove campers and attended events.

Financial sponsors.	St. Joseph's Society, Catholic Women's League, Moya Financial Credit Union and various community individuals.
Guest performer.	Milan Vinčec, from Toronto, provided music and songs for the campers.
Spiritual Guidance and memory maker.	Father Drago provided spiritual guidance and took many pictures so that the campers would have a beautiful record of their time at Slovenian Summer Day Camp.

g) St. Joseph's Society - Reported by Jerry Ponikvar.

Item	Information/Action
Meetings and events held.	Met monthly except for July, with Active Management to discuss issues relating to the operation of Villa Slovenia. Held monthly society meetings. Held St. Joseph's Banquet in March 2016. Organized Weekly Tuesday social evenings and Monday Bingo sessions from October to May. Arranged Summer Bocce season and Labour Day tournament. New format attracted some younger players. The event was followed by a roast pig dinner. Planned Christmas Party for Villa residents held on Dec. 16th and for society members on Dec 20 th , with entertainment by Tony Ferko.
Board Members	Jerry Ponikvar- President Peter Novak - Secretary and Treasurer. Frank Erzar - Membership Tony Ferko, Ivan Miketič and Frank Mramor are members at large.
Donations.	Gift to Father Drago for his annual visit to Slovenia. Honorarium to visiting priests. Donations to St. Gregory's Summer Camp, Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation and flowers for Procesija sv Rešnjega Telesa. \$2,000.00 from 2017 St. Joseph's banquet donated to "Raise the Roof Fund."
Excursions.	To Octoberfest in Kitchener. Jerry Ponikvar represented the society at the Slovenian Day flag raising ceremony in Toronto, held on June 24th 2016. The society actively participated in Slovenski Dan hosted by Bled.
Visitors from Slovenia.	Hosted a group from Trstenik, Gorenjsko, under the leadership of Father Branko Balažic. The tour group visited St. Gregory's Church and were served dinner at the Villa.
Masses for deceased members.	† Vid Kastelic, † Marko Ferfolja, † Pavel Novak, † Ernest Zrim, † Alojzij Slobodnik.

h) Canadian Slovenian Scholarship Foundation: reported by Karl Ferko, read by Heidi Novak

Item	Information/Action
Application procedures.	College or University bound students should pick up application forms from the display rack in the church vestibule early in May. Forms are also available by contacting: Karl Ferko(905-578-5890) Rosemary Pavlič (905-643-7394) or Irene Glavač Petrič (905-379-3667)
Award presentation date.	September 24th 2017 at St Gregory the Great Fall Banquet following Mass. In 2016, 150 people attended the SCSF banquet.
Golf Tournament.	2017 will be the last SCSF golf tournament. It will be held at Rockway Glen and Estate Winery Golf Course- cost \$150.00 per person, cash or cheque only. The fee includes golf, use of a cart, gift, coffee/donuts, lunch and dinner at Lipa Park. Information posters will be available on the rack in the vestibule. Contact Karl Ferko or Teresa Zupančič (905-930-7545) for more information.

i) Gospodarsko poročilo: reported by Mirko Zorko.

Item	Information/Action
Monthly maintenance.	Grease traps in both hall kitchens cleaned. Pilot lights on stoves and in ovens checked Used cooking oil stored outside ready for collection. Sump pumps checked. Emergency lights, portable fire extinguishers and fire alarm bells tested in all buildings on site.
Quarterly Maintenance.	Rectory carbon monoxide detectors tested. Emergency call from elevator tested. Portable AC generator tested. Furnace filters in all areas cleaned or replaced. Air return intakes and heating coils cleaned. Central vac. for church and rectory cleaned.
Annual maintenance.	Roof top exhaust units and outside air-conditioning units are inspected, cleaned and repaired.

j) Finančno Poročilo: Prepared by Theresa Farbotko

All members were provided with a copy of the full financial report and asked for any comments or questions. No comments or questions were presented.

Attached as **Appendix A**.

A financial statement was also provided for each of the annual events.

Net profits were itemized as follows:

Pustovanje 2016 - \$1,050.37

Spring banquet 2016 - \$5,669.16

Fall banquet 2016 - \$6,172.66

Martinovanje 2016 - \$614.88

Proceeds from the **New Year event** (Dec. 31st, 2016) were split with Club Bled, the co organizer, as follows: Net profit: \$2,596.29; St. Gregory's: \$1,557.77 (60%); Club Bled: \$1,038.52(40%)

k) **Župnijski Pastoralni Svet:** report presented by Heidy Novak and Fr. Drago Gačnik

Item	Information/Action
Volunteers	Heidy noted increased interest in parishioners willing to assist with events.
Pulpit updates at the end of Mass.	Information about upcoming projects or events provided in this way has been well received.
Ensuring the future of St. Gregory's.	Council members have spent a great deal of time discussing this. We realize that we need to stay current and probably make changes to some of the traditional events. The new event, "Raise the Roof" was more successful than we had anticipated and will definitely be repeated.
Rectory assistance.	Heidy thanked Gizela Hauzar and Sonja Langenfus for their work in the rectory.
Event planning. Repairs and proposed maintenance projects.	Fr. Drago spoke about the need to refresh some of the events. He explained why we needed to change the timing of the Spring Banquet - to accommodate a group of actors from Slovenia who will present a play at the event. Members in attendance were provided with a list of projects. See appendix B.
Work of the council.	Father Drago thanked all council members for their dedication.

KRATKA PAVZA - 5 minutes

Open discussion or general comments regarding the reports:

No discussion, questions or comments were made.

6. New Business:

Item	Information/Action
<p>Parish events-new format.</p> <p>Raise the Roof.</p>	<p>Information provided by Heidi Novak. We need to improve attendance at events so will be considering some changes. Martinovanje may possibly be combined with an attempt to bring back former dance group members for a reunion</p> <p>We prepared for 200 guests and we pleased to have 250-270 people in attendance. This event will be included in the regular schedule as it was an event where new and former parishioners were able to connect.</p>
<p>Questions and new topics:</p> <p>Cecilija Sobočan Frank Rihar Marina Stefanec Jerry Ponikvar</p>	<p>Requested more coffee and donut sessions following Sunday Mass.</p> <p>Raised the issue of visiting the sick. Heidi responded that this is a sensitive issue and is difficult to implement consistently. She noted that it would be an item on a future council meeting agenda. Father Drago explained the changes in information provided by hospitals, due to privacy legislation. In order to be consistent we would need a parishioner to volunteer to act as the contact person.</p> <p>Noted that the Spring Banquet should be retained, as older members prefer afternoon events. Heidi asked the general attendance for their opinion and the decision was reached to retain the function.</p> <p>Suggested a round of applause for hardworking council members.</p>
<p>New Občni Zbor Format</p>	<p>Občni Zbor time and format changed for 2017 and will include a light lunch. The new time was popular with members in attendance.</p>
<p>Nomination of new council members</p>	<p>Steven Horvat, Clarke Novak, Eric Škerl and Mike Brake were nominated and all accepted the nomination. They were acclaimed as new council members.</p> <p>Angela Kobe nominated Jay Cestnik - nomination was declined at this time.</p>

6. Pastor's Address:

Father Drago thanked Heidi for her good ideas and hard work as president. He explained the need to change some of the events currently scheduled. He mentioned the new initiative of combining the Scholarship and Fall Banquets. He explained that the Scholarship Foundation will continue to exist and will be responsible for selecting the recipients.

The success of the »**Raise the Roof**« event was more than the parish council had hoped for and this will continue to be part of the event schedule. A possible date change to October (the former date of the Scholarship Banquet) might be appropriate.

With reference to the question about visiting the sick, he cited new privacy regulations and honouring family wishes as important points to consider. He suggested that a family member

should be responsible for contacting the church with relevant information.

He noted that the **date of the Spring Banquet** frequently provides a challenge, as it has to be scheduled around the moveable feast of Easter. This year, council discussed excluding the banquet from the calendar but then decided to host the event in conjunction with the presentation of a play by actors from Slovenia.

Father Drago also referred to the **extensive list of maintenance and repair** items provided in the meeting package. He noted that item 37 - the entire hall heating system - would need replacement in the near future.

He informed members present that the need to change is being faced in all our associated organizations and these groups now need to re evaluate how they will operate.

8. Meeting Adjournment:

12:45 p.m.

Father Drago concluded the meeting with a prayer.

A light lunch was provided to all members after the meeting. Thanks to Nancy Taylor and Dragica Ferencak for their work.

*Minutes submitted by
Pamela Gosgnach*

SVETI KRST - BAPTISM

V nedeljo, 24. februarja 2018, je zakrament svetega krsta prejel deček BRAYDEN JOHN BENKO. Starša dečka sta oče Brian Benko in mati Laura, rojena Sawicki. Ob krstu drugega otroka vse čestitke staršema in veliko božjega blagoslova pri vzgoji otrok.



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Response:

Lord, you have the words of eternal life.

First Reading Exodus 20:1-17

The Ten Commandments – indicators of where genuine human fulfilment is to be found.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

The Christian paradox: Christ crucified is the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Gospel John 2:13-25

In cleansing the Temple, Jesus declares that he, through his death and resurrection, is to replace the Temple.

“Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.”



Illustration

The imagination can be stirred into action when we come across the site of an ancient building or a famous historical event. We can picture to ourselves what happened in that place or at that time. For example, if we visit the Colosseum in Rome, that mammoth, elliptical, public amphitheatre, we may remember that it was built as a place of entertainment – though such “entertainment” included fights to the death between gladiators, and sometimes unarmed Christians facing fierce wild animals. In our mind’s eye we see the huge crowd behaving as crowds so often do, perhaps baying for blood, or we picture the roaring beasts, or we imagine the thoughts going through the minds of the victims, or we visualise the emperor sitting in all his splendour



to view the spectacle and to decide whether the “entertainer” shall live or die.

Gospel Teaching

Some thirty years before St John wrote today’s Gospel, the huge Temple in Jerusalem had been completely destroyed by the Roman army. Once it had been among the wonders of the ancient world, the most sacred place on earth for the Jews, the place where God dwelt among God’s people. Now it was little more than a heap of ruins. Yet for John it was so much more than an ancient site. He had seen it in its glory days. Now he was old, but as a young man he had actually visited it with Jesus. It was Passover time and John had witnessed the huge influx of Jews, coming from all parts of the Mediterranean world; he had seen the Temple courts being turned into a kind of bazaar, with the transactions of money changers, the noisy haggling of buyers and sellers, the bleating of sheep and the flapping of pigeons’ wings.

John could see that Jesus was distressed; more than distressed – he was angry. The next moment, whip in hand, he was clearing them out of the Temple – men and beasts and birds; he was tipping over the

tables of the money changers, so that the coins went jangling across the stone pavement; and he was explaining why he did it. "Stop turning my Father's house into a market," he cried. Of course, people did have to make preparations for the forthcoming Passover sacrifices – animals had to be bought and the right coinage acquired – but there was no need for them to turn his Father's house of worship into a marketplace. Jesus' reaction reminded John and his friends of those prophetic words, "Zeal for your house will devour me."

The Jewish authorities were not amused. Who did this young rabbi from Nazareth think he was? What sign could he offer to show what it all meant? Jesus' reply must have left them bewildered: "Destroy this sanctuary" – a sanctuary already forty-six years in the building – "and in three days I will raise it up." But they were not the only bewildered ones. John admits that it was only after Jesus' death and resurrection that he realised what Jesus was getting at. It was then the pieces fell into place. It was as if, on that day in the Temple, Jesus had put his hand on his own heart when he said: "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." He, the living temple of God, destroyed on Good Friday, will rise again on Easter morn.

Application

Within a few weeks we shall be celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus; in the risen Jesus we have the new, indestructible temple of God. This temple is made not of stones, however magnificent, but of the glorified flesh of the victorious Christ; this is where God is to be found and where God is worshipped in spirit and in truth. Perhaps the most extraordinary feature of this new temple is that it is built of living stones – and the living stones are you and me. Together with Christ our head, we make one body, one temple to the glory of God. These thoughts may help us to see our Lenten exercises in a new light – as a way of making us a little more worthy of our dignity as living

stones in this new, living temple. At the same time, may they bring home to us the extraordinary privilege that is ours – that in this Mass, as in every Mass, we are empowered "through him, and with him, and in him" to give all honour and glory to our Father in heaven.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM DIOCESE

Synod Prayer Cards

On Palm Sunday, **Sunday, March 25**, we pray for a special way for the Young People of our Church. This year, we pray especially for the Synod of Bishops meeting in October 2018 to discuss Young People, Faith and Vocational Discernment. The Office of Youth Ministry has created a prayer card to help you pray for young people of the Diocese and the entire world. There are three different covers to the same prayer – pick one and share another with a young person you may meet! These prayer cards are available in your parish and electronically online at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Mass of Chrism

All are welcome to join His Excellency, Bishop Crosby at the annual Diocesan Mass of Chrism on **Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. During this Mass Oil for the Sick and for Catechumens will be blessed. Sacred Chrism will be consecrated. All Priests present for the Mass will renew their Priestly Commitments in the presence of the Bishop and the lay faithful of the Diocese.

Is your child preparing for First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation this year?

Wondering how you can help them at home? Visit www.hamiltondiocese.com and find Information for Parents under "Catechesis Office". We have videos with practical suggestions and helpful info for parents of children with special needs. We're here to help!

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKJE VAJE

V četrtek, 8. marca, so pevske vaje za župnijski mešani pevski zbor in sicer po večerni maši. Peli bomo pri maši, 18. marca ob 10:00 a.m. skupaj z angleškim zborom.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 4. marec-nedelja: **St. Gregory the Great - CWL BAZAAR - Mass 10:00 a.m.**
- ◆ 4. marec-nedelja: **St. Joseph's Society - AGM meeting 11:00 a.m.**
- ◆ 4. marec-nedelja: **Triglav - London**, kolone
- ◆ 4. marec-nedelja: **Bled** - Dan žena - National Women's Day Banquet
- ◆ 4. marec-nedelja: **Sava** - MGM meeting at 1:00 p.m. - Light lunch
- ◆ 6. marec-torek: **Lipa park** - General meeting at 5:30 p.m., Complimentary Dinner, Election of new Executive at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ March 11 - Sunday: **St. Gregory the Great - Mass at 10:00 a.m. (CHANGE!)** and **Občni zbor** after Mass, at 11:15 a.m. in the Parish upper hall.
- ◆ 11. marec-nedelja: **Triglav** - Annual Membership Meeting
- ◆ 18. marec-nedelja: **Društvo sv. Jožefa - Banquet**; Maša ob 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ 25. marec-nedelja: **Sava** - 12:00 maša
- ◆ 25. marec-nedelja: **Triglav** - maša ob 4:00 p.m. v cerkvi St. John the Divine

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠAJO

- ◆ 4. marec 10:00 a.m.: Vera Gonza
- ◆ 11. marec 10:00 a.m.: Maks in Jožica Pavličič
- ◆ 18. marec 10:00 a.m.: Peter Novak, Danny Demšar

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA - OBVESTILA

St. Joseph Society **2018 membership** is now due. The new membership Convenor is Tony Ferko and he will be available at Sunday Mass to accept our \$15 membership fee and issue your card. New members are welcome!



St. Joseph Society **Annual Meeting** will be held on March 4th at 11:00 a.m. following Mass at the Villa. Coffee & "krofi" will be served! All members are invited to attend. We are seeking at least two new members to serve on the Board. It is not a big time consuming job however it is a very rewarding experience. For information, contact any members of the Board.

Annual St. Joseph's Banquet will be held Sunday, March 18th. Please contact **Peter Novak 905 928-9984 for tickets.**

Tickets can be purchased on Sundays before or after mass or Tuesday nights in the Villa. Deadline for tickets is Friday March 16th. **No sales at the door!!!**

FISH FRY - GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 30TH

Obveščamo Vas, da bomo, na Veliki petek, 30. marca 2018, po obredih v cerkvi, učiteljice in otroci slovenske šole v zgornji župnijski dvorani prodajali pohane ribe in krompir. Prosimo, da čimprej kupite »karte«, ker bo pri vходу na razpolago samo omejeno



število kart. Karte (tickets) boste lahko kupili ob nedeljskih mašah ali pa si jih rezervirate tudi po telefonu: Sandy Ferletič (905-977-8464) ali po elektronski pošti: sferletic@gmail.com. Cena paketa (ribe, krompirček in pijača) je **\$15**. Vljudno Vas vabimo, da pridete in se pogostite. S tem boste pomagali našim učencem zbirati potrebna finančna sredstva za šolo.

The teachers and students of Slovenian School will be selling fish and chips in the upper hall after the Good Friday Service on March 30th. Limited tickets available at the door so please get your tickets as soon as possible! We sell out every year so make sure you reserve early!!! You will be helping our school children raise funds for their school.

The best way to ensure you get your tickets is by contacting Sandy Ferletic by email at sferletic@gmail.com or by phone at (905) 977-8464. Tickets are \$15 and include one drink. We will also be selling tickets after some Masses.

We thank you in advance for your generosity and cooperation. We hope to see you soon on Good Friday!

CWL - KŽZ - BAZAAR

Hoping to see you at our **BAZAAR** this Sunday, March 4th!

Our **next scheduled general CWL meeting** will take place on Wednesday, March 7th immediately after 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Executive meeting will occur at 6:00 p.m.

DAROVI - DONATIONS

V spomin na pokojnega Jožeta Hanca so za gradbeni sklad darovali:

- Alfeo & Alice gallino - \$15
- Marija Tompa - \$20
- Milka & Karol Ferko - \$20
- Millie Sutlich - \$50
- Nada Rožich - \$20
- Danica Rožich - \$20
- Drago & Ann Barkovič - \$50
- Joe in Liza Fotivec - \$50

V spomin na pokojno Tereso Drvarič je za gradbeni sklad darovala \$50 Matilda Zupančič.

Za gradbeni sklad sta darovala \$100 Joe in Vera Lackovič.

V spomin na pokojnega Jožeta Hanca je Društvo svetega Jožefa darovalo \$50 za gradbeni sklad in za pet svetih maši.

Hvala vsem za vaš dar. Bog vam povrni.

KITCHEN SECRETS

Mark Saturday, March 24th on your calendars if you are interested in learning how to make pierogies. This will be the next recipe demonstrated at our next kitchen session.

As always - we have limited space, so those interested please contact me at novakh@sympatico.ca as I will be filling the class on a first come first serve basis.

If anyone has recipes that they would like to see demonstrated, please send them to me and I will work on having them included at some point. See you in the kitchen! *Heidy*



DON BOSCO

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) **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 04. 3. 2018
do 11. 3. 2018

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

3. POSTNA NEDELJA 4. MAREC Kazimir, kralj	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Pokojni iz družine Zupančič †† Pokojni iz družine Vegelj †† Pokojni starši Gimpelj † Štefan Gonza, obl. † Vladimir Budič CWL - KZZ BAZAAR	10:00 A.M. 12:00 NOON	Družina Udovč Stanko in Jožica Vegelj Elizabeta Gimpelj Žena Vera z družino Žena Tanja Budič Župnijska dvorana
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 5. MAREC <i>Hadrijan, mučenec</i>	Po namenu (25/30)	8:00 A.M.	Ana Tadič
TOREK - TUESDAY 6. MAREC <i>Miroslav, opat</i>	†† Ida in Joseph Ftičar †† Ida in Joseph Ftičar † Toni Hočever, obl. † Jože Hanc	7:00 P.M.	Družina Gergyek Joe Ftičar Družina Miklavčič Žena Olga z družino
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 7. MAREC <i>Perpetua in Felicita, m.</i>	† Matija Vlašič, obl. † Jože Langenus, obl. † Teresa Drvarič †† Anton Peternel, Agnes in Elizabeth	7:00 P.M.	Žena in otroci Sonja Langenus Demšar-Scarcelli Judy Peternel
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 8. MAREC <i>Janez od Boga, redov.</i>	† Vid Kastelic † Matija Vlašič, obl. † Po namenu (26/30)	7:00 P.M.	Žena Milka Kastelic Dorothea Jezovnik Ana Tadič
PETEK FRIDAY 9. MAREC <i>Frančiška rimska, red.</i>	KRIŽEV POT † Franc Raduha † Franc Raduha †† Franc, Jože, Alojz † Marija Bukovac	6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Stations of the Cross Društvo sv. Jožefa (3) Frank in Ljudmila Zadravec Sestra z družino Jožica Novak z družino
SOBOTA SATURDAY 10. MAREC <i>40 mučencev</i> <i>Makarij, škof</i>	Po namenu (27/30) † Zdravko Troha †† Jožef in Ida Ftičar † Štefan Gabor, obl. † Rudi Hanc † Sonja Nedelko † Teresa Drvarič	8:00 A.M. 5:30 P.M.	Ana Tadič Danica Maradin Joe Ftičar Ivan Antolin z družino Lojze Ferenčak z družino Lojze Ferenčak z družino Marija Korošec z družino
4. POSTNA NEDELJA 11. MAREC Benedikt, škof	Za žive in rajne župljane † Janez Kosednar † Jože Pust Občni zbor - General Meeting	10:00 A.M. 11:15 NOON	Žena z družino Družina Pust Župnijska dvorana