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**8. NEDELJA
MED LETOM**

**8TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

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Jezus nas poučuje

Evangelist sv. Luka, tako imenovani evangelist Kristu-sovega usmiljenja, nam v šestem poglavju posreduje tudi zelo konkretne Jezusove besede, kako naj v življenju živimo odrešeno, blaženo.

Stvar, ki nedvomno močno bremeni medsebojne odnose v občestvih, družinah in skupnostih, je gotovo obsojanje. Lahko bi rekli, da je slehernemu izmed nas prirojen nekak sodniški nagon, podoben skriti kameri na cestnem križišču, ki ob storjeni napaki poslika. Vendar je v življenju še kaj pomembnejšega, kot pa večno prežati na napake drugih.



Kristus si je s svojim naukom prizadeval razbiti v nas prikrito sodniško kamero na tisoč koscev. »Ne sodite, da ne boste sojeni!« (Mt 7,1)

Neizprosno trdovraten človek nas nehote spomni na stroj, ki neusmiljeno rije v teren in izravnava pred seboj vse, kar pride predenj. Kar je prisposodba za nekoga, ki ne pozna slabosti negotovosti, dvoma, kratkega obotavljanja in še manj razumevanja ali velikodušnosti; na nekoga, ki nenehno obtožuje, obsoja, obdolžuje, sumniči. Takšnega človeka v bistvu navdihuje nespoštovanje do sočloveka in zato prezirljivo vedenje. Vsak njegov stavek je obsodba; vsak njegov pogovor predstavitev obtožencev; vsak njegov obtoženec pa kriminallec brez olajševalnih okoliščin.

Obsojevalnemu vedenju pogosto botruje tudi globoka domišljavost ali napuh. V svoji kratkovidnosti se človek lahko spozabi in pomisli, da bi bil sposoben presoje globokih osebnih skrivnosti, v katere lahko prodre izključno On, ki mu je lastno, da »preiskuje srce in obisti«. Tako postaja podoben nevednemu otroku, ki bi z žepno baterijo hotel napraviti rentgenski posnetek.

Že v najstarejših časih krščanstva so izkušeni voditelji duhovnega življenja radi ponavljali: »Nič ni slabšega kot obsojanje.«

V spisih menihov iz sirske puščave beremo o redovniku, ki je imel navado obsojati sobrata, čim je pri njem opazil spodrseljaj. Njegov voditelj ga je zato trdo prijel v roke in posvaril: »Moj brat, gotovo se motiš in pogubljaš svojo dušo, kajti nihče ne pozna človeka, razen duh, ki v njem prebiva.

Zato ne sme nihče obsojati drugega, čeprav se mu zdi, da očitno greši. En sam je sodnik, Sin božji. Vsak človek, ki obsoja, pa je tako rekoč nasprotnik Boga - pred Kristusom, saj si s svojim dejanjem prisvaja moč, ki jo je Oče izročil samo Kristusu.«

Človek evangelija ob stvarih, ki ne gredo do bro, skuša pretresti najprej svojo plat odgovornosti in krivde in ne pokaže s prstom najprej na drugega. Prirojeni obtoževalni gon preusmeri najprej na sebe samega. In tako obremenjen s svojim deležem krivde pade pred Gospoda odpuščanja in usmiljenja; Gospoda, ki ga ne obsoja več, saj se je že sam obsodil. Njegova molitev postaja molitev skesanega Davida: »Usmili se me, Bog, po svoji milosrčnosti; po obilnosti svojega usmiljenja izbriši mojo pregreho!« (Ps 51,3)

Današnji evangeljski odlomek že na začetku omenja dva slepca. Šestkrat govori o bolnem očesu, dvakrat o srcu, enkrat o ustih. Tudi pripoved o dobrem sadu je povezana z zdravstvom, saj je dober tisti sad, ki daje moč in zdravje. Tudi če Luka prej ni bil zdravnik, je to postal, ko je sprejel krščansko vero. Postal je namreč zdravnik duš. Da so duhovne bolezni hujše od telesnih, je vedel že prej.

Ko se Luka sklicuje na staro modrost, ki pravi, da v primeru, ko slepec vodi slepca, oba padeta v jamo, nas opozarja, naj se ne damo voditi komurkoli, ampak le tistemu, ki ima zdrave duhovne oči. Če pa smo mi voditelji, naj skrbimo, da bodo naši pogledi zdravi. Isto misel nadaljuje, ko govori o drevesu. Njegove vrednosti ne presoja po lesu, deblu, listju ali po čem drugem, ampak po sadovih.

Bruno in iver v očesu sta izrazita primera vzhodnjaške govornice, ki ljubi slikovitost in pretiravanje. Luka nas hoče ozdraviti tiste duhovne zaslepljenosti, ki lastnih napak ne vidi, tuje pa čez mero povečuje. Skupnost je toliko zdrava, kolikor so zdravi posamezniki. - (Prim. L. Bratina in F. Cerar)

Response:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you .

First Reading Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

What we say reveals who we truly are.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Physical death does not have the last word, thanks to the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Luke 6:39-45

Jesus warns us against thinking that we might be better people than we actually are.

“For a man’s words flow out of what fills his heart.”



Illustration

There is an interesting story about St Francis de Sales and his imaginative approach to the giving of penances as part of the sacrament of reconciliation. A certain person came to Francis and confessed to the sin of gossiping about their neighbour. Francis told the person to take a bag of feathers, maybe a pillow, up to the top of the church tower and to scatter the contents into the air; then the person was to report back. The penitent dutifully carried out the confessor’s instructions. When the person then returned, Francis told them to go out, collect all the feathers and put them back into the bag. Somewhat stunned, the individual concerned pleaded that this was impossible, that the wind would have carried the feathers far and wide. The saint then said that this is what had happened to all the things the person had said about others: whether the remarks were true or not did not matter; the dam-



age to the other person could never be undone, because words cannot be taken back once they are spoken. We can apologise, say that we did not really mean what we said and claim that we have been misunderstood, but we can never fully retract the words as if we had never uttered them.

It is perhaps worth bearing in mind that, if we enjoy listening to gossip about other people, the person telling us the fascinating details is likely to be talking about us to others in turn.

Gospel Teaching

The Wisdom writing in the Bible deals not so much with what we would call doctrine as with human life. Today's reading from Ecclesiasticus, which forms the backdrop to today's Gospel extract, concentrates on how a person's speech reveals what sort of character that person really is. Luke presents us with a series of statements of Jesus that warn his hearers to be careful in their judgement of other people. The example of the plank and the splinter is an instance of exaggeration or hyperbole to make the point: being concerned about a minor short-coming in someone else can blind us to our own, probably greater failings.

The second section uses the idea that we can most easily recognise what type of tree we are looking at if we see what kind of fruit it bears. We might not be sure from the plant's shape or its leaves, but its fruit leaves no room for doubt. Jesus, the Wisdom teacher, makes his point by using his hearers' powers of observation in regard to the natural world to make his point. Just as the fruit infallibly reveals the species of the tree, so a person's speech identifies what that person's inner self is really like. This is borne out in modern psychology, for example, when someone "accidentally" makes a mistake and uses the wrong word, such as, perhaps, reading out during the Psalm at Mass, instead of "Before whom shall I shrink?" the words "Before whom shall I drink?" This is what we commonly refer to as a "Freudian slip".

Application

The Gospel message is all about conversion, about change. In the light of today's reading, it is not about changing the way we behave, or the way we talk, but about changing the way we think. This is what humility is all about: being right-sized. It means having a proper appreciation of who we really are, with our good and strong points as well as our shortcomings. There is a poster that urges its readers to "Watch your thoughts, they become your words... your actions... your habits... your character... your destiny." That expresses well the influence that our thoughts can have on our very selves.

In the Christian context, we might remember that one of the important elements in our celebration of the Eucharist is table-fellowship, which forms part of the background to Jesus' meals with other people. This often landed him in so much trouble with those religious people who were, in Jesus' view, overly concerned with what we might call respectability, and who went and muttered, or gossiped among themselves, about him and his behaviour. And we should all remember that the last words we say before receiving Holy Communion are, "Lord, I am not worthy..."



Cilj naše kampanje je v treh letih zbrati vsoto \$200,000.00 za našo župnijo.

Nekateri še vedno ne razumejo, da vse, kar boste darovali preko te kampanje, bo prejela naša župnija in še 10% iz skupnega sklada. Škofijski uradi pa bodo vodili vse računovodske zadeve, tako, da nam ne bo potrebno tega dela urejati.

V Vestniku objavimo koliko ste »obljubili« da boste darovali za kampanjo **za našo župnijo preko škofijskega računa** in koliko je že dejansko »vplačanega«. Iz škofije so nam sedaj poslali kodo, da lahko sami pogledamo tekoče stanje na našem računu.

Na računu »Eno Srce, Ena Duša« za našo slovensko župnijo sv. Gregorija Velikega je:

\$124,843. - Pledged - Feb 14, 2022

\$99,478. - Paid - Feb 14, 2022

Hvala vsem, ki ste že prispevali. Smo že krepko čez polovico zastavljenega cilja. Tokrat so se številke kar dvignile.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

40 Days for Life is HERE! A first for Hamilton!

We invite YOU (young and old) to participate in a PEACEFUL prayer vigil across the street from McMaster Children's Hospital, happening each day (March 2 - April 10) from 7am to 7pm.

We will send a message of love to the community, to those who work for abortion, and those who may be seeking an abortion; showing them that there are other options.

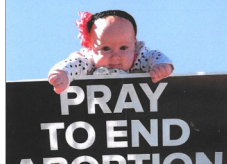
SIGN UP ONLINE: <https://bit.ly/40dayshamilton>
OR CALL 905-962-2864 (Volunteer hours to High School Students can be offered).



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MAŠA V LONDONU

Slovenska skupnost v Londonu se je, v nedeljo 20. februarja, v lepem številu, okrog 35, zbrala pri sveti maši v angleški cerkvi St. John the Divine. Lepo je vsaj ob taki priložnosti videti prijatelje in izmenjati besedo ali dve.



LIPA PARK

Curbside Food and Wine Sale Saturday, March 5, 2022

Goulash & Polenta Dinner with Coleslaw - \$23
Goulash & Pasta Dinner with Coleslaw - \$23
Meatloaf & Barley Pilaf Dinner with Coleslaw - \$20
Apple Strudel (unbaked, frozen), 24" length - \$20

Slovenian Wine, \$25 per bottle:

Janževac (white, 1L, sugar code 0)
Ranina (white, 750 ml, sugar code 1)
Modra Frankinja (red, 750 ml)

(Must be 19 years or older to purchase beer or wine)

**Pre-Orders only from
February 28th to March 2nd**

By email only:

info@lipapark.ca

Please specify the name of the person who will be picking up the order.

You will receive a confirmation email after ordering with your pick-up time, and total cost.

Please bring cheque or exact change on pick-up day.

**We will also be accepting your 2022
Lipa Park Membership dues.**

(Please have food and membership money separate.)

Thank you for your support!

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

ČIŠČENJE CERKVE - CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

March 5th Jožica Vegelj and team
March 12th Gosgnach team
March 19th Groznik, Erzar, Lukežič
March 26th Lojska Novak team

POSTNI ČAS - PEPELNIC

S pepelnično sredo začenjamo 40 dnevni postni čas, to so 40-dnevne duhovne vaje za vse kristjane. Cerkev nas v tem času vabi, da bi se notranje pripravili na praznovanje Velike noči. Tudi vse oblike pokore in dobrih del, ki nam jih ta čas priporoča in nalaga imajo namen pomagati, da zares stopimo na pot spreobrnjenja in poboljšanja.

Na **pepelnično sredo**, letos je to 2. marca, bo pri večerni maši tudi **pepeljenje**. Duhovnik verniku na glavo simbolično posuje blagoslovljen pepel, s čimer se navzven pokaže notranja razpoložljivost vernika za spreobrnjenje oziroma poboljšanje življenja. Duhovniki in ostali bogoslužni sodelavci v postnem času nosijo bogoslužna oblačila v vijolični barvi. V postnem času ne pojemo Aleluje.

Kot ste verjetno že slišali, je papež vse povabil naj bi na pepelnično sredo naše molitve in post namenili za mir na svetu, posebej za mir v Ukrajini.

Postna postava: Ob začetku in koncu postnega časa (Pepelnica in Veliki petek) za vse (od 18. do 60. leta) velja STROGI POST, ko ne uživamo mesa in se le enkrat na dan lahko do sitiga najemo.

Tudi na vse POSTNE PETKE velja odpoved



mesnim jedem, k čemur smo sicer spodbujeni skozi vse leto.

Seveda pa smo v postnem času povabljeni tudi k vsem drugim oblikam spokornosti in različnim odpovedim. Povabljeni smo, da zmanjšamo ali ukinemo vse nadstandardne priboljške. Za otroke je to lahko 40 dni brez sladkarij, čokolade, slanarij, ...

Vsaka odpoved naj za seboj potegne odločitev! Če zmanjšam gledanje televizije za eno uro na dan, imam eno uro časa, ki ga lahko posvetim ostalim družinskim članom, osamljenim prijateljem in znancem, ... Lahko tudi več molim. Ko se odpovedujem različnim prehranskim priboljškom, lahko na ta način privarčevani denar namenim ubogim.

Postni čas nas torej vabi in izziva, da bi postali boljši, da bi v sebi odkrili tisto, kar nas oddaljuje od Boga in drugih in to izničili. Ne izpustimo te čudovite priložnosti!

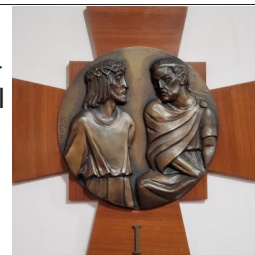
KRIŽEV POT

Križev pot bomo v naši cerkvi molili oz. premišljevali, vsak petek pol ure pred večerno sveto mašo, t.j. ob 6:30 p.m.

Vabljeni, da skupaj premišljujejo in molimo ob Jezusovem trpljenju.

PRVI PETEK - FIRST FRIDAY

Ta teden je pri petek v mesecu marcu. Ker imamo ob pol sedmih zvečer križev pot, bo priložnost za sveto spoved že ob pol šestih - 5:30 p.m.



VEČNA LUČ

Večna luč bo v mesecu marcu gorela za pokojnega Joe Hanc, po namenu žene Olge in družine.



Biblical Walk Through The Mass

All are welcome to a 6 week Lenten program each Tuesday in Lent beginning March 8th at St. Charles Garnier Parish. Two sessions to choose from each day, 10:00 am or 6:00 pm. Cost \$30.00. Call 905-528-0074 to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

POGREB - FUNERAL

V petek je Bog poklical k sebi našo faranko **Hildo Žigon**. Pokojna bo ležala v Markey Dermody Funeral Home v ponedeljek med 4. in 7. uro zvečer, molitev bo ob 4h popoldne. Pogrebna masa bo v naši cerkvi v torek, 1. marca ob 10h dopoldne. Iskreno sožalje možu in vsej družini, pokojni Hildi pa večni mir in pokoj.

INCOME TAX POTRDILA

V veži imate Income Tax potrdila. Če se je prikradla kakšna napaka, mi prosim sporočite, da jo popravim. Kar ne boste vzeli ta vikend, bomo v ponedeljek poslali po pošti.



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

Kovič	Vinko	February 28, 2013
Pavlič	Maks	February 28, 2020
Tompa	Eufemija	March 5, 1993
Virant	Sophia	March 5, 2014
Gonza	Štefan	March 5, 2015
Tompa	Joyce Helen	March 5, 2020
Hočevar	Anton	March 6, 2004

HEART TO HEART - BISHOP OF HAMILTON

POPE FRANCIS HAS CALLED FOR MARCH 2nd, ASH WEDNESDAY, to be a day of prayer and fasting for Ukraine. Because it is Ash Wednesday, we already follow the practice of prayer, fasting, and abstinence. So the Pope's call can be met with a strong response from Catholic's world-wide.

Here in our Diocese, with churches able to welcome worshippers at full capacity for the first time in two years, we, and all people of good will, are encouraged to heed the Pope's call.

If you are unable or reticent to return "in person", many Parishes will be "live-streaming" their services. As well, our Diocesan website has a pre-taped Liturgy of the Word for Ash Wednesday, with Bishop Wayne Lobsinger presiding at St. Ann Parish, Ancaster. Let us pray fervently for our suffering sisters and brothers in Ukraine.

IN A MEMO FROM OUR DIOCESAN CHANCELLOR Monsignor Murray Kroetsch announced the long-awaited news that the Ontario Government has made major changes to COVID-19 protocols. These affect our Parishes effective March 1st!

Churches may open to full capacity (including parish halls and meeting rooms).

Ropes can be removed. Masks continue to be required by all who attend Mass, two-years old and older. Social distancing mandates are no longer in place. All liturgical ministries may resume – vaccination is not required.

Congregational singing is permitted and choirs may resume – wearing masks. Cantors may be unmasked, maintaining 3-meter distance from others. Read the entire letter here. We have waited a long time for these protocols to be relaxed.

Thank you to all for your compliance.



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.

<p>8. NEDELJA MED LETOM 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27. FEBRUAR GABRIJEL ŽALOSTNE MATE- RE BOŽJE, REDOVNIK</p>	<p>Za žive in rajne župljane †† Jožef in Emilija Balažic † Anton Vengar † Tilka Vengar †† Pokojni sorodniki in prijatelji † Irma Dorenčec † Janez Stanko † Franc Virag</p>	<p>10:00 A.M. ----- Hči z družino Rose Marie in Tony Vengar z dru. Rose Marie in Tony Vengar z dru. Rose Marie in Tony Vengar z dru. Ignac in Gabriella Robačcer Janez Lovrenčec Janez Lovrenčec</p>	
<p>PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 28. FEBRUAR <i>Roman, opat</i></p>	<p>† Ignac Horvat † Maks Pavlič, obl. † Vinko Kovič, obl.</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Rozina Horvat Žena Milka z družino Stojanka Zečević</p>	
<p>TOREK - TUESDAY 1. MAREC <i>Albin, škof - PUST</i></p>	<p>† Hilda Žigon Po namenu † Eileen MacKenzie</p>	<p>10:00 A.M. Pogrebna maša 7:00 P.M. Ana Tadić N.N.</p>	
<p>SREDA - WEDNESDAY 2. MAREC PEPELNICA</p>	<p>Po namenu † Zoltan Gergyek</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. CWL - KŽZ Sonja Langenfus</p>	
<p>ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 3. MAREC <i>Kunigunda, cesarica</i></p>	<p>† Milka Skale † Brat Štefan</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Tatjana in Zvone Zaletel Ivan in Rozina Doma</p>	
<p>PRVI PETEK - FIRST FRIDAY 4. MAREC <i>Kazimir, kralj</i></p>	<p>Križev pot - Stations of the Cross † Terezija Gönc † Viktor Glavač Po namenu</p>	<p>6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M. Olga Glavač z družino Žena Olga z družino Ivka Pašalič</p>	
<p>SOBOTA - SATURDAY 5. MAREC <i>Hadrijan, mučenec</i> <i>Olivija, mučenka</i></p>	<p>†† Verona, Matej in Frank Čurič † Adolf Košir † Štefan Gabor, obl. † Marija Bukvič †† Jožef in Eufemija (obl.) Tompa † Štefan Gonza, obl.</p>	<p>5:30 P.M. Marija in Jože Magdič z družino Marija Košir Hči Angela in Ivan Antolin z druž. Anton Bukvič z družino Agata in Alojz Sarjaš z družino Žena Vera z družino</p>	
<p>1. POSTNA NEDELJA 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT 6. MAREC FRIDOLIN (MIROSLAV), OPAT</p>	<p>Za žive in rajne župljane † Jože Razpotnik, Sr. † Joe Hanc †† Frank in Matthew Čurič †† Ida in Jože Ftičar † Marija Dominko † Ida Ftičar † Rado Kokalj, 30. dan (Argentina)</p>	<p>10:00 A.M. ----- Anica Blas Žena Olga z družino Olga Hanc z družino Ana Gergyek Milka Pavlič Marjan in Elizabeth Hozjan Demšar, Scarcelli in Prudon Fam.</p>	