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**19. NEDELJA
MED LETOM**

**19TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

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Kruh za življenje sveta

Bogoslužje nam danes ponuja nadaljevanje Jezusovega govora o kruhu življenja.

Prvo berilo nam kaže Elija v dramatičnem trenutku njegovega življenja. Po daritvi na gori Karmel in odstranitvi Baalovih prerokov, ga preganja kraljica Jezabela, ki je prisegla, da ga bo usmrtila. Zato prerok zbeži in se pomakne v puščavo dan hoda daleč. Zelo je malodušen, ker se čuti sam in nima nikogar, ki bi mu pomagal in ga zaščitil. Zaradi tega želi umreti in reče: »Dovolj je; zdaj, Gospod, vzemi moje življenje, saj nisem boljši kakor moji očetje.«

Elija zaspil pod bodičevjem, dotakne pa se ga angel, ki mu reče: »Vstani in jej!« Elija vidi blizu svoje glave hlebec, spečen na vročem kamenju, in vrček vode. Ko se okreпча zaspil. Angel zopet pride spet, se ga dotakne in mu pravi: »Vstani in jej, sicer bo pot zate predolga!« Prerok vstane, je in pije. Z močjo, ki mu jo je dala ta jed, je potoval štirideset dni in štirideset noči do božje gore Horeba.

Ko se čutimo malodušni in vznemirjeni, nam Gospod pravi: »Pridite k meni vsi, ki ste utrujeni in obteženi, in jaz vam bom dal počitek«. On nam ponuja čudovito hrano in izredno pijačo: svoje telo in svojo kri, da bi nam dala moč, da bomo pogumno in z upanjem hodili vse do božje gore, kjer se bomo dokončno srečali z Gospodom.

V evangeliju se Jezus spet predstavi kot živi kruh, ki je prišel iz nebes: »Če kdo je od tega kruha, bo živel vekomaj.« Ta kruh je tudi telesno nasitil nekatere svetnike, je hrana za duhovno življenje, za večno življenje: »Vaši očetje so jedli v puščavi mano in so pomrli. To je kruh, ki prihaja iz nebes, da tisti, ki od njega je, ne umre.«

Sprejeti moramo to jed večnega življenja, ki ima v sebi vso moč Kristusove ljubezni, ker nam ga je dal v trenutku svoje največje ljubezni do nas, v trenutku svojih največjih težav in svoje največje zmage nad njimi.



V evangeliju Jezus opozori, da obstaja pogoj, da pridemo k njemu: »Nihče ne more priti k meni, če ga ne pritegne Oče, ki me je poslal.« Nekateri Judje godrnjajo, ker Jezus govori o sebi kot kruhu, ki prihaja iz nebes. »Ali ni to Jezus, Jožefov sin? Njegovega očeta in mater poznamo.« V resnici ne vedo, da je Jezus Beseda, ki je postala meso: »In Beseda je postala meso in se naselila med nami« (Jn 1,14). Ta začetna trditev osvetljuje celoten Janezov evangelij.

Da bi živeli globok odnos z Jezusom, moramo biti poslušni Bogu Očetu. Le če smo v svojem življenju pokorni Očetu in poslušamo njegov glas, ki nas vabi, naj zavračamo zlo in delamo dobro, nas pritegne in vstopimo v pristen odnos z Jezusom.

Evharistija je zakrament vere. V polnosti jo prejme samo tisti, ki ima vero. In zato, da bi imeli vero, ostaja le ena pot: notranja, globoka poslušnost nebeškemu Očetu.

V drugem berilu nas Pavel vabi, naj se upremo vsem skušnjavam sebičnosti: »Naj izginejo med vami vsakršna ujedljivost, vsakršno besnenje, jeza, rohnenje in preklinjanje z vsakršno hudobijo vred.« Ne smemo žalostiti svetega božjega Duha, ampak sprejeti njegove navdihe, ki nas priganjajo k medsebojni dobrosrčnosti, usmiljenju in odpuščanju, kakor je v Kristusu tudi Bog nam odpustil.

Svoje učenje povzame z besedami: »Posnemajte torej Boga, saj ste njegovi ljubljene otroci.« V prvi Mojzesovi knjigi je rečeno, da je Bog ustvaril človeka po svoji podobi. Človek mora torej ustrezati tej svoji globoki naravi: kot ustvarjen po božji podobi mora dejansko posnemati Boga, mora živeti v ljubezni. Bog je ljubezen in mi moramo živeti v ljubezni.

Jezus, Božji Sin, je v svoje srce sprejel tok ljubezni, ki izvira iz nebeškega Očeta, in tako imel moč, da se je soočil z najstrašnejšimi bolečinami in s smrtjo, ter jih premagal z ljubeznijo. Te krute in krivične resničnosti je spremenil v dar Bogu, v blago dišečo daritev.

Evharistija, ki jo obhajamo, je blago dišeča daritev, ker je dar in zmaga ljubezni. Jezus je prišel, da bi zlo premagal z močjo ljubezni in nam to moč posredoval. Ko ga prejemo v evharistiji, sprejemamo vase spodbudo za življenje popolne podaritve Bogu in bližnjemu v ljubezni. - (prim. Oznanjevalec 2003, št. 3)

Response: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

First Reading 1 Kings 19:4-8

God's angel sustains and encourages Elijah in his journey to his meeting with God.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Paul calls us to imitate Christ in his compassionate love.

Gospel John 6:41-51

Christ reveals himself as the bread come down from heaven. Eternal life is promised to those who believe in him.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven."



Illustration

Pontypridd is a town in south Wales. On 1 November 2007, local dignitaries unveiled a plaque to celebrate the centenary of the first time that perhaps the greatest of Welsh hymns was sung in public. Its title in Welsh is "Calon Lân", sung to the tune first composed by John Hughes, an organist in the local Baptist church. So popular did it become that it was even sung at Welsh rugby matches! Its original lyrics in Welsh are beyond most of us, but there is a well-known version in English, its first verse being this:

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,



feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

So much of today's Liturgy of the Word is echoed in that one verse.

Gospel teaching

Elijah journeys through the barren land to Horeb, that is, Sinai. When despair overcomes him, God's angel brings both nourishment and encouragement. Eventually the prophet will reach his destination. There he will encounter God, not in the storm or the earthquake, but as a voice that speaks after a gentle breeze. There seems to be a new intimacy with God. Christ, the divine Son of God, is the incarnation of that intimacy.

There is something sacred about bread, even in a non-religious context. It implies intimacy. After all, the word "companion" means "one with whom we share bread". There is something humble about bread: in its different forms it is the food of the poor. With bread, the poorest throughout the world can sustain life, spared the need for larger amounts of more expensive food that belongs to the domain of the rich. It is not for nothing that bread is called "the staff of life."

It is with such bread that Christ had miraculously fed the multitude, so many of whom lived in daily poverty. But now he goes beyond their earthly expectations. He begins to reveal his true identity: "I am the bread that came down from heaven."

This Gospel is a call to faith in Christ's words regarding the truth about himself. He does not retract what he has said but goes even further in his revelation of self. Some attempt to limit him to his human heritage in Nazareth. Many of his disciples will leave him, disillusioned by his extraordinary words.

But there are those who do not lose trust. Their faith is the Father's gift, and he entrusts them to his Son, with the wondrous promise of eternal life. Faith meets the faithfulness of God. This Gospel passage ends in a more eucharistic theme, developed further in next Sunday's Gospel.

Application

As Christ reveals the truth about himself, we give thanks for the Father's gift of our faith in his beloved Son. It is the foundation of everything that is best in our lives. It is to be welcomed and lived with true humility. It cannot co-exist with any form of intellectual arrogance or feeling of social superiority. God only shares the bread of Christ with those who are poor in spirit. It is accompanied by two great gifts: that of wonder and that of the deepest reverence. Then we ask ourselves: what does the divinity of Christ really mean in our lives? There is so much in our secular culture that undermines the integrity of our faith in the Son of God. And as for heaven, it is perhaps best to remind ourselves of the words of St Paul about "what no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him". Finally, we take to heart Paul's words in today's passage from Ephesians: "Follow Christ by loving as he loved you." It cannot be otherwise for those who eat of the same Bread from heaven.

2024 SLOVENIAN CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

2024 Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation Awards Application Now Available. The Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation was created to provide students of Slovenian-Canadian descent, residing within the Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth, and Niagara regions, the opportunity to be recognized for their academic achievements, community involvement, and appreciation of their Slovenian heritage.

Select applicants will be granted a monetary award in the form of a scholarship or bursary from the foundation. The presentation of awards will be held on September 22, 2024 at St. Gregory's Fall Banquet. Application forms are available via email request to Teresa Zupancič at

teresa.zupancic@gmail.com. Completed application packages must be submitted via email to teresa.zupancic@gmail.com by 9:00 p.m. on Friday August 23, 2024 for award consideration.

Please forward any questions to Teresa at 905-930-7545 or Irene Glavač Petrič at glavacpetric@gmail.com.



SUMMER DAY CAMP 2024

Reminder that this year's **SUMMER DAY CAMP** is being held **AUGUST 13-16**.

Registration forms will be available Sunday. If you have children who want to come, play, sing, do crafts and make new friends - call and register.

Little ones are welcome with the supervision of a parent or grandparent! It will be a week filled with fun and an end of week BBQ and our annual Campers vs. family Soccer game!

Also looking for **Highschool students** and older to help out! If you need volunteer hours or if you're just happy to help out, call and get ready for a fun filled week.

Looking forward to a week of fun and laughter - August 13-16 - Heidy Novak 905-317-6002



BLEED HALL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY
SEPT. 14TH

Cardinal Lakes
Golf Course
105 South Pelham Rd Welland, On

Registration (please print):

GOLFER #1: _____ EMAIL: _____
 GOLFER #2: _____ EMAIL: _____
 GOLFER #3: _____ EMAIL: _____
 GOLFER #4: _____ EMAIL: _____

Registration with lunch: 12pm
 Shotgun Start (Heron Course): 1pm
 Longest Drive ~ Closest to Pin
 Putting Challenge

\$150 Per Golfer
 Includes: 18 holes + cart + lunch + dinner
50/50 ~ Door Prizes ~ Raffle
\$40 Dinner Only

**Dinner to follow at Bled Hall

BLEED Slovenian Cultural Club
 4650 South Service Road, Beamsville, ON

e-Transfer : payments@bled.ca  BLED.CA

Lipa Park

SLOVENIAN
NATIONAL HOME

Please join us for one of our summer events in the Park

Music in the Park

Featuring: **Raubarji & Peški oktet**

Saturday August 24, 2024

Doors Open at 1:00 p.m.

Admission: \$10 per person



Live Music

from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.



Slovenian food favourites from the kitchen
 and pork from the barbecue!

Please note that this is a cash-only event.
 No outside coolers, beverages, or food allowed.
 Pets are happier at home.



MARRIAGE - POROKA: Zakrament sv. zakona sta, 9. avgusta 2024, v naši cerkvi sklenila ženin **Brock Adam, Novak**, sin Adama in Heidy, rojene Šušteršič in nevesta, **Kristina Grace, De Los Reyes**, hči Maritte De Los Reyes. Iskrene čestitke mlademu paru, ki začenjata skupno pot. Naj ju spremlja božji blagoslov in priprošnja nebeške Matere Marije.





This past weekend, we celebrated Slovenski Park's 50th anniversary of the Chapel and 60th anniversary of the park.

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our park on Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday was a success with our annual bocce tournament and first ever corn hole tournament. It was a beautiful day.

Thank you to Fr. Gačnik for his beautiful Mass that started off our day on Sunday.

During our program, we honoured our 30 and 60 year members, along with hearing from some present members about their experience at Slovenski park, watching Mladi Glas and Planika perform and hearing from some important voices in our community.

We surprised our members and visitors on Sunday with opening the time capsule that was put in the chapel 50 years ago. We will be placing the capsule back in with some updated items at the September long weekend Mass. Our park would not be the place it is today without the dedication and contribution from all our members and visitors throughout the years. Here's to another 60 years! Hvala Lepa.

- Slovenski Park Executive Committee









OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOLENDAR DOGODKOV

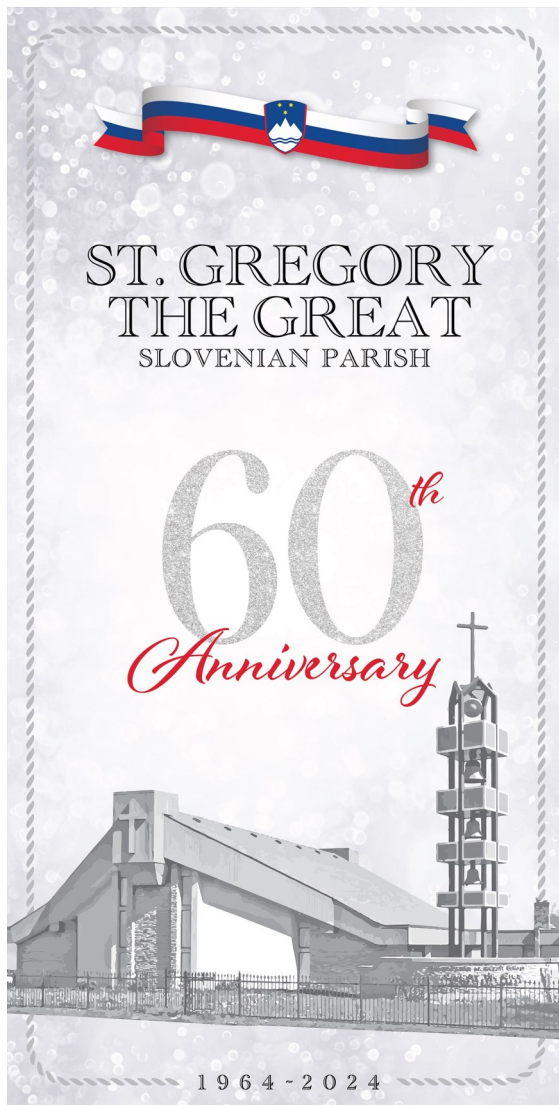
- **Avg. 11th** - **Sava-Breslau** - Picnic, Mass 1p.m.
- **Avg. 13-16th** - **St. Gregory the Great** - Day Camp
- **Avg. 24th** - **Lipa Park** - Music in the Park Picnic
- Slovenian Band: Raubarji & Peški Oktet
- **Avg 25th** - **Bled** - End of Summer Picnic
- **Sept 1st** - **Slovenski Pak** - Labour Day Weekend - Baseball Tour. - Mass at 1:00 p.m.
- **Sept 14th** - **Bled** - Golf Tournament
- **Sept 15st** - **London** - Mass at 3:00 p.m. - at St. John the Divine Church
- **Sept 21st** - **Društvo sv. Jožefa** - Bocce tournament
- **Sept 22nd** - **St. Gregory the Great** - Fall Banquet - **60 years of the Parish** - Mass: 10 a.m.

BRALCI - READERS:

August 11 - Rita Bartula
August 18 - Slovenian

POKOJNI - DECEASED

V četrtek, 8. avgusta 2024 je Bog poklical k sebi v večnost našega farana **Vojana Mozetič**. Pokojni je bil star 80 let. Od njega se bosta lahko poslovili v Bay Gardens Funeral Home (947 Rymal Rd. E., Hamilton) v torek, 13. avgusta med peto in osmo uro zvečer. Pogrebna masa bo v naši cerkvi v sredo, 14. avgusta ob 11:00 a.m. K večnemu počitku ga bomo položili na Gate of Heaven pokopališču. Iskreno sožalje ženi Antoniji in sinovoma Igorju in Dejanu z družinama. Pokojnemu Vojanu pa večni mir in pokoj.



ZAHVALA

Faranom župnije sv. Gregorija Velikega v Hamiltonu bi se rad zahvalil za njihovo prijazno spremljanje, ki so mi ga izkazali v dneh mojega nadomeščanja g. župnika. To spremljanje se je kazalo na različne načine: od preprostega pozdrava, izmenjav besed do raznih majhnih uslug, ki pa so vsaj zame bile velike, ki so mi polepšale življenje med vami. Občudoval in še občudujem, kaj vse ste vi in vaši predniki postavili zato, da bi se skupaj srečevali bodisi v svoji župniji bodisi na krajih izven Hamiltona (recimo na Bledu). Obogaten za nova spoznanja sem se srečno vrnil v domovino in se že preselil v Ljubljano na Rakovnik, kjer vas pričakujem, da me obiščete. Vse prav lepo in hvaležno pozdravljam. *Miran Sajovic. S.D.B.*



MAŠA V BRESLAVU

Danes popoldne ob 1:00 p.m. je sveta maša pri slovenski skupnosti v Breslavu. Svete maše se darujejo:

1. Za pok. Natašo in vse pok. od družine Prilesnik
2. Za pok. Alojzija in vse pok. od družine Muhič
3. Za pok. Ano Barič in vse pok. od družine Barič
4. Za vse pok. od družine Mravinec
5. Za pok. Mary Frankovič roj. Ugrin
6. Za pok. Leopolda Babič (Barrie)

Te maše sta darovala Angela in Jože Prilesnik.

Za pok. iz družine Kraner - Družina Kraner

Za pok. iz družine Vinter - Družina Kraner

Za vse pok. iz druž. Balkovec - Družina

Za pok. Majdo in Franka Čagran - Družina Mirt

Za pok. Nežo, brata in starše Šerbec Družina Mirt

Za pok. Karla, Rudolfa in Johanno Planinc - Anna Čelan

Za pok. Rudolfa in Daniela Murko - Anna Čelan

MARMORA - 8. SEPTEMBER

Bus pilgrimage from Hamilton to MARMORA is taking place on Sunday, September 8, 2024 to honour Our Blessed Mother's Birthday.

The Holy Mass will take place at St. Gregory the Great church at 8:00 a.m.

Pick up is at St. Gregory's parking lot at 8:45 a.m., and also pick up at Burlington GO station on Fairview Street is at 9:20 a.m. We will return around 8:00 p.m.



Cost for the bus is \$55.00 per person and must be pre-paid before Sunday, Sep. 1, 2024. For Reservations call Catharine at 905-318-2242 or Angela at 905-930-7442 ASAP.



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

Dorenčec	Irma	August 13, 2019
Doma	Ana	August 13, 2023
Troha	Zdravko	August 14, 2016
Erzetič	Slavomir Stan	August 15, 1998
Simončič	Michael Ivan	August 15, 2018
Bratuž	Stanko	August 16, 1986
Peršin	Jacob	August 16, 1987
Krampač	Ignac (Ana)	August 16, 2012
Hočevnar	Anna	August 16, 2017
Ftičar	Elizabeth	August 18, 2015
Krajc	Anthony Joseph	August 18, 2020



SV. MAŠE - MASSES: Mon. to Fri.: 7:00 P.M.; Saturday: 5:30 P.M. (Slo); Sunday: 9:30 A.M. (Slo); 11:00 A.M (Eng) - From July to Fall Banquet only 10:00 A.M. - **KRSTI / BAPTISMS:** For an appointment, call one month before. **POROKE / MARRIAGE:** By appointment, call one year before the wedding date. **SPOVED / CONFESSIONS:** First Friday of the month 6 to 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 or Cell: 905-520-2014

DOM BOSCO

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

<p>19. NEDELJA MED LETOM 11. AVGUST 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Klara, devica</i></p>	<p>†† † † † † ††</p>	<p>Za žive in rajne župljane Paula in Franc Pelcar Marija Horvat (Cayuga) Stanko Vegelj Irma Dorenčec, obl. Stane Petek Pokojni člani Društva Sava</p>	<p>10:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.</p>	<p>----- Stanko Pelcar & Josie Dubé z druž. Olga Glavač z družino Lojze Baznik Mož Ignac z družino Matilda Prša Dvorana - Breslau</p>
<p>PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 12. AVGUST <i>Ivana Šantalska, red.</i></p>	<p>†</p>	<p>Ljuba Babič</p>	<p>7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>Dragica Đondraš</p>
<p>TOREK - TUESDAY 13. AVGUST <i>Gertruda, opatinja</i></p>	<p>†</p>	<p>Eileen MacKenzie</p>	<p>7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>N. N.</p>
<p>SREDA - WEDNESDAY 14. AVGUST <i>Maksimilijan Kolbe, muč.</i></p>	<p>† †</p>	<p>Vojan Mozetič Ivan Mertuk</p>	<p>11:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>Pogrebna maša - Funeral Mass Emilia Mertuk z druž. & Kathy Prša</p>
<p>ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 15. AVGUST <i>Marijino vnebovzetje</i></p>	<p>† †† † † †</p>	<p>Marija Cerjak Pavel in Paul Richard Novak Marija Horvat (Cayuga) Roža rožnega venca Slavko Erzetič Ludvik Prevec</p>	<p>7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>Jožica Vegelj z družino Helen Špiler Ana Vučko (Mt) Albina Antolin Hčerke z družino Žena Ida z družino</p>
<p>PETEK - FRIDAY 16. AVGUST <i>Rok, spokornik</i></p>	<p>† † †</p>	<p>Monika Gašpar Joe Ivan Prša Stan Petek</p>	<p>7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>Družina Gašpar Olga Glavač z družino Angela Kobe</p>
<p>SOBOTA - SATURDAY 17. AVGUST <i>Hijacint, redovnik</i></p>	<p>†† † † †</p>	<p>Za duše v vicah Slavko Erzetič Monika Gašpar Angela Horvat (TO)</p>	<p>5:30 P.M.</p>	<p>Marija Košir Hčerke z družino Agnes Perkič Bernardin Mujdrica z družino</p>
<p>20. NEDELJA MED LETOM 18. AVGUST 20TH SUNDAY IN OT <i>Helena, cesarica</i></p>	<p>† ††</p>	<p>Za žive in rajne župljane Eugen Ferletič Pokojni iz družine Groznik</p>	<p>10:00 A.M.</p>	<p>----- Milan in Sandy Ferletič Družina Groznik</p>