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3. POSTNA
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3RD SUNDAY
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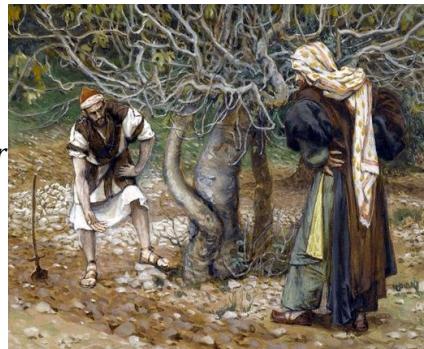
Molitev nas spreminja v »božje orodje«

V današnjem branju lahko skušamo poiskati temeljno povezovano nitko v pomembnem človeškem in religioznem simbolu: v dialogu. Najdemo človeka, ki prične pogovor in s tem nagovori drugega človeka, se lahko odzove negativno ali pozitivno. Po pogovoru se vzpostavi dialog, ki se lahko nadaljuje v novo razkritje, priateljstvo ali ljubezen.

Današnji odlomek iz Druge Mojzesove knjige je predstavitev pogovarjanja med Bogom in človekom: Bog se namreč iznenada pojavi na življenjskem obzorju izgnanega Mojza in mu razodene svoje zakrito ime. V semitskem svetu je ime dejstvo, s katerim le-to v vsem pokaže samo bistvo osebe in vso njen moč. Poznanje imena pomeni imeti neko moč nad človekom, čigar bistvo in sposobnosti poznamo.

V današnjem odlomku se z besedami - »Jaz sem tisti, ki sem« - Bog ne razodeva kot samostalnik, temveč kot glagol, torej v aktivni obliki, in ne kot nekaj staticnega in nedejavnega, kar je značilno za malike. V tem glagolu je krščanska filozofija zaslutila najpopolnejše božje bitje, korenino vseh drugih ustvarjenih bitij; nekateri pa v tem vidijo pritajeno polemiko z vsemi maliki, kajti »Bog je tisti, ki je«, v nasprotju z vsemi bogovi, ki so zgolj nič. Nekateri drugi pa razmišljajo o »večnosti« tega, ki obstaja od vedno, ali »zvestega«, tistega, ki je vedno isti, nespremenljiv v različnih zgodovinskih obdobjih.

Vsekakor pa je mogoče razmišljati tudi o negativnem odgovoru s strani Boga. Resnični Bog noče razodeti poslednje skrivnosti svojega obstoja, podobno kot se je zgodilo Jakobu v boju s skrivenostnim neznancem vzdolž hudournika Jabbok: »Jakob ga prosi: Povej mi svoje ime. Odvrne mu: Zakaj me sprašuješ po imenu?« (1 Mz 32,30). Zapis Jhwh, ki ga mi preberemo kot Jahveh, ki pa ga Hebrejci zaradi njegove popolne sve-



tosti sploh niso izgovarjali, je torej samo neke vrste nanašanje na srečanje med Bogom in človekom in nikakor magično dejstvo. Vemo pa, da ime Jhwh ni zgolj prazen vzdevek: ta se napolni s posmem in močjo, ker se namreč pojavi prav v trenutku, v katerem Bog vstopa v zgodovino Izraela kot mogočni in učinkoviti osvoboditelj iz sužnosti in faraonskega zatiranja.

Prvi stavki, ki jih Bog spregovori z nami, so torej pomembni in se uresničujejo v svobodi, ki jo tudi Pavel opisuje kot prehod čez morje, s podartvijo mane in vode v puščavi. Vendar pa tem prvim in odločilnim stavkom med Bogom in človekom sledi človekov odgovor v precej odklonilni obliki. Gre predvsem za »godrnjanje« kar kaže na nejevernost, zavračanje, nezaupanje. Jezusova prilika pa se nanaša na podobo drevesa brez sadov, ki brez potrebe izčrpava rodovitno zemljo. Gre za zgodbo o neverjetni notranji trdoti, ki je ne pretrese niti božji glas.

V središču evangelijskega odlomka sta dve poročili iz »črne kronike«: o surovem maščevanju rimskeh vojakov v templju in o tragediji osemnajstih žrtev, ko se je zrušil stolp v Siloi. Jezus ne soglaša s tistimi, ki želijo povezati nesreče s prstom Boga sodnika. Vsi ti mrtvi niso bili večji gresniki in nič bolj krivi kot drugi. Njihova usoda ima namreč pomenljiv pomen za nas, ki smo ostali živi in vse to opazujemo: zgodovina je kratka in pogosto nepredvidljiva; ni namreč mogoče prepustiti naključju vseh pozivov k dialogu, ki jih je Bog praviljen skleniti z nami.

Poročilu se pridružuje prilika, v kateri je pogovor med gospodarjem vinograda in kmetom. Med Očetom in Sinom se vzpostavlja odnos posredništva za človeštvo, ki je kot nerodovitna smokva. Kristus torej skuša povezati nitke dialoga, ki ga človek noče videti ali ga celo zanemarja. Vendar tudi noče, da bi bilo njegovo delo »v treh letih« služenja nekoristno; zato prosi Očeta, naj počaka še eno leto, da bi to drevo, ki predstavlja celotno človeštvo, znova vzbrstelo, se razcvetelo in obrodiло bogate sadove ljubezni in pravičnosti.

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

Response:

The Lord is merciful and gracious.

First Reading Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

The Lord hears the cry of his people's suffering and sends Moses to lead them to the promised land.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Be vigilant in living the life of faith.

Gospel Luke 13:1-9

Jesus calls us to repent and patiently waits for our response.

“A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard.”



Illustration

Gardening teaches us not only patience but also the unpredictability of growth. Well-established plants, much-loved shrubs and tall trees may grow in established patterns but can be suddenly struck down by blight, disease or a storm. Across Europe in recent years there have been many outbreaks of ash dieback disease caused by a virulent fungus. This once familiar tree with its bunches of seeds is under threat. New and tender plants can be difficult to establish. Beautiful-looking plants bought from garden centres can be very root-bound, find it difficult to live in the harsh world of rain and cold, and often fail to grow and flourish in a flower bed. Young plants attract slugs and snails in large numbers. The time of planting, and the state of the soil and its dryness or moisture, make a huge difference. Hope is often disappointed, sometimes by a lack of preparation of the environment in which the

plant will grow. Sometimes it is only in the second year that a plant becomes established. A little simple gardening can open a person up to more understanding of the complex life of plants and their conditions for growth as well as being very therapeutic if we are patient.

Most of Jesus' teaching is to rural peoples in Galilee and Judea. This is the setting of many parables about growth and God's providential care. It is the world of vines, mustard seeds, fig trees, sowing and reaping grain, wheat, weeds, rain, wind and the sun as well as the birds of the air. So often Jesus teaches about the work necessary for good harvests. The people whom he teaches understand the rhythms of nature but also that they cannot control the outcome; they are dependent upon God's providence. All this helps us understand more fully the ways in

which God's kingdom breaks into the world and the Lenten message of preparation to put on the mind and heart, of Christ. In rich soil of the heart Christ will help us bear fruit that will last.

Gospel Teaching

Today's readings present the image of the Lord who cares for his people with compassion and love but at the same time calls them back to himself in conversion. The Gospel confronts the mystery of suffering and whether this is part of God's punishment of people for not following God's Law. Jesus gives two examples of people who suffered: the Galileans and eighteen people killed when the tower of Siloam collapsed. Some people must have said they were being punished for their sins. Jesus tells us that these events are not as a result of sin and are not God's punishment. This does not, however, di-

minish the need to repent and turn away from sin and bring one's life into harmony with God's plan.

This is also the message that St Paul delivers to the community at Corinth. He uses the experience of

the Jewish people in the desert during the Exodus to look forward to the experience of the Church. This is called a "typological" interpretation that helps us understand the Christian experience in light of the Old Testament and so enriches both. In the desert, God guided God's people by a cloud, let them pass through the Red Sea, fed them with manna and gave them water to drink from the rock that produced a stream of water accompanying them on their journey to the promised land. But they clung to their idols and failed to love and serve the living God. Paul says that the Christians in Corinth have been guided by the Holy Spirit, baptised by water, fed by the Eucharist,

and have Christ as their rock who stays with his Church. Yet they too fail to live out the teaching of the Gospel. The warning is again a call to repentance.

Application

Jesus uses the beautiful image of the fig tree to illustrate the patience of God. The owner of the vineyard is concerned that the fig tree does not produce figs and wants to cut it down. His tenant farmer, who looks after the fig trees and knows more about them, tells him to be patient. He will feed the tree, tend it, and look after it and asks for one more year to allow the tree to produce figs. He is wise. Jesus presents an image of God as compassionate and merciful. This is the God whose mercy and love we are called to reflect in our lives and to whom we seek to grow closer in this Lenten season.





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« - »One Heart, One Soul« za našo slovensko župnijo sv. Gregorija Velikega je:

\$124,843. - Pledged - March 4, 2022

\$99,878. - Paid - March 4, 2022

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

LIPA PARK

Curbside Food and Bake Sale Saturday, April 9, 2022

**Slovenian Breaded Chicken
with Home Fries and Coleslaw, \$20**

**Oven-Roasted Pork with Home Fries
and Coleslaw, \$20**

**Apple Strudel (unbaked, frozen), 24-inch
length (*limited quantities*), \$20**

Lipa Park would like to thank COBS Bread, Ridley Square, for their packaging donations for our strudel sales!

**Potica (baked, frozen) *
Whole (approx. 10-inch across) \$40
Half (cut that morning) \$20**

**only a very small quantity available/limit one per customer*

Slovenian Wine, \$25 per bottle:
Janževvec (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 wine)

**Pre-Orders only
from March 28 to March 30
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.

Thank you for your support!

Heart to Heart

MARCH 25th, SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD, is the Patronal Feast of the Diocese of Hamilton.

From the outset, founding Bishop John Farrell dedicated the Diocese to the patronage of Mary under her title **Our Lady of the Annunciation**. To celebrate the Solemnity, all are invited to join Bishop Wayne Lobsinger and me in person, as we pray for the intercession of our Blessed Mother, in bringing peace to the world, most especially in the Ukraine.

In union with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, we will pray the **Rosary beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King**, followed by a prayer of Consecration of Russia and the Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, followed by a celebration of the **Patronal Mass for peace**.

If you are unable to join us in person, you may participate by joining the livestreamed event through the Cathedral's YouTube channel. Please note: Priests who wish to concelebrate are asked to bring their own alb and white stole. Seating will be reserved for Priests in the pews on the East side of the Cathedral Basilica.

FAMILY MINISTRY OFFICE

There is still time and space to register for this outstanding presentation by **Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak** on **3 Keys to Creating Your Catholic HOM (Household on a Mission)**.

This workshop will be great for parents and grandparents, or others working with children, so please encourage the people at Mass this weekend, or in your networks, to register. Dr. Greg and Lisa will provide practical and faith-filled tips to create Catholic homes.

FREE WEBINAR



Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak

• 3 Keys to Creating Your Catholic HOM (Household on Mission)

Dr. Greg and Lisa are the directors of CatholicCounselors.com.

They are the authors of over 20 popular books integrating the timeless wisdom of our Catholic faith with contemporary research in counseling psychology.

Dr. Greg and Lisa host the call-in program and sit on the USCCB's National Advisory Board for marriage and family ministry.



Tuesday, March 22, 2022
7-8:30 P.M.



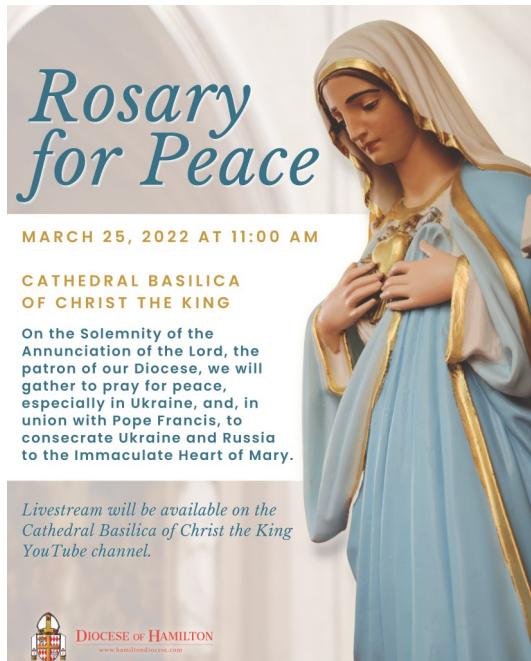
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Call 905-528-7988 ext. 2250



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I invite you to register and to invite others to register, so many can draw on the wisdom being presented. I look forward to seeing you all on zoom Tuesday evening! Here is the link to register: <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/speaker-series/>

Teresa Hartnett, Director



Rosary for Peace

MARCH 25, 2022 AT 11:00 AM

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING

On the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, the patron of our Diocese, we will gather to pray for peace, especially in Ukraine, and, in union with Pope Francis, to consecrate Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Livestream will be available on the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King YouTube channel.

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OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

ČIŠČENJE CERKVE - CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

- March 26th Lojska Novak team
April 2nd Lukežič, Volčanšek
April 16th Jožica Vegelj and team
April 30th Gosgnach team

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA

Na mizi v cerkveni veži so kuverte za člane društva sv. Jožefa. V kuverti je izkaznica za leto 2022. Dajte denar za članarino (\$15) v kuerto in kuverto oddajte v nabolnik za nedeljsko nabirkovo.



SUNDAY MASSES

From **Palm Sunday April 10, 2022** and on we will go back to **two Sunday Masses**. Slovenian at 9:30 a.m. and English at 11:00 a.m.

Od 10. aprila naprej, t.j. od Cvetne nedelje, bomo zopet imeli ob nedeljah dve sveti maši: slovensko ob 9:30 a.m. in angleško ob 11:00 a.m.. Povejte tudi tistim, ki morda ne pridejo tako redno, da bodo vedeli za spremembo.

CONFIRMATION & FRIST COMMUNION

This year our celebration of both sacrament will take place on Sunday, May 29th, 2022, at 10:00 a.m..

The Most Rev. Bishop Douglas Crosby will be the celebrant. Please let us know ASAP which children would like to be part of celebration.

You can email to me,
drago.gacnik@gmail.com or Lorie Mramor:
princesslorie2000@hotmail.com

SLOVENIAN EMBASSY OTTAWA

Please note that from March 1st, 2022, it is a new email: consular.ottawa@gov.si for all consular enquiries and transactions.

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OBČNI ZBOR - OBISK MINISTRICE ZA SLOVENCE PO SVETU - 27. MAREC.

V nedeljo, 27. marca 2022, bomo po dveh letih zopet imeli **občni zbor**. Tokrat ga bomo imeli kar v cerkvi, takoj po deseti maši. Ne bo tako dolg, kot je bilo to običajno v dvorani. Je pa dobro, da pregledamo ta čas Covida-19 in naredimo kakšne načrte za prihodnost.

Tisto nedeljo bo iz Slovenije prišla na obisk v Kanado tudi ministrica za Slovence po svetu **dr. Helena Jaklitsch**. Udeležila se bo naše svezte maše in verjetno bo po maši tudi na kratko pozdravila vse navzoče.

DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad sta darovala \$50 Anica in Martin Škrban namesto rož na grob pokojnega Jožeta Konte.

Iskrena hvala za vaš dar.

POKONJI - DECEASED

Susan Margaret Gentilcore (Kitchener) je v soboto, 12. marca 2022 v starosti 55 let, nenadoma odšla k Bogu po večno plačilo. Pokojna Susan je hči naše faranke Mary Gentilcore (Brajer). V naši cerkvi bo 14. maja ob 10:00 a.m. pogrebna sveta maša. Več si lahko Iskreno sožalje vsem domačim, pokojna Susan pa naj uživa večni mir in pokoj.



Ignac (Nace) Krizman - Po dobrih 106-tih letih življenja ga je Bog poklical k sebi, v ponedeljek, 14. marca 2022. Nace je več let učil na župnijski zbor in ob njegovi stoletnici smo se udeležili tudi praznovanja.



Od njega se boste lahko poslovili v ponedeljek, 21. marca med 9. in 11. uro dopoldne v Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal cerkvi, na 739 Browns Line. Ob 11h dopoldne pa bo v cerkvi pogrebna maša. Pokojnega bodo položili na Assumption pokopališču.

Iskrena hvala za vse, kar je dobrega naredil za našo župnijo in pevski zbor. Sožalje vsem domačim pokojnemu pa večni mir in pokoj.



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

COVID 19 - NOVE SPROSTITVE

Od ponedeljka, 21. marca 2022, v cerkvi ni potrebno več nosit mask, s tem pa ni rečeno, da se jih ne sme; kdor jo hoče nositi, jo še vedno lahko nosi. Sedaj se lahko zopet uporablja blagoslovljena voda; v cerkvi ni več omejitve glede števila in tudi ni potrebno držati medsebojne razdalje. Pri obhajilu duhovnik še vedno nosi masko in si pred tem razkuži roke. Prinšanje darov je zopet dovoljeno. Za pozdrav miru se še vedno priporoča samo s poklonom razen družinski člani si lahko podajo roke. Kdor želi prejeti obhajilo na jezik, naj po možnosti pristopi kot so že drugi prejeli na roko.

Letos bomo lahko zopet imeli blagoslov zelenja za cvetno nedeljo, tako kot je bilo pred Covidom, prav tako obredi Velikega tedna. Kaj več boste slišali prihodnjo nedeljo.



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

Stergulc	Draga Emma	March 21, 1990
Kuzmič	Josef	March 21, 2011
Suhadolc	Anthony	March 21, 2021
Stegne	Miroslav	March 22, 1990
Glavač	Martin	March 24, 2001
Kričaj	Stephanus	March 24, 2021
Rogerson	Jeffrey Thomas	March 26, 2009
Košir	Juliana	March 26, 2020
Kapušin	Franc George	March 26, 2021
Madronich	Edward Robert	March 26, 2021
Zoppis	Valentino	March 27, 1983

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SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

	Za žive in rajne župljane	10:00 A.M.	-----
3. POSTNA NEDELJA 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT 20. MAREC KLAVDIJA, MUČENKA	†† Pokojni iz družine Vegelj † Rozika Galič † Ignac Horvat † Irma Dorenčec † Hilda Žigon Za zdravje prijateljev in sorodnikov		Ivan Vegelj z družino Milka Pavlič z družino Marjan in Elizabeth Hozjan Štefan in Angela Kelenc Kathy Prša N.N. (TBM)
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 21. MAREC, <i>Nikolaj, pušč.</i>	† Brat Franc † Eileen MacKenzie	7:00 P.M.	Ivan in Rozina Doma N.N.
TOREK - TUESDAY 22. MAREC, <i>Lea, spokornica</i>	Milka Skale	7:00 P.M.	Cveta Koželj
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 23. MAREC, <i>Rebekka, red.</i>	V zahvalo Bogu in M. Božji	7:00 P.M.	Jožica Novak z družino
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 24. MAREC <i>Katarina Švedska, red.</i>	† Po namenu † Mia Maradin † Štefan Kričaj, obl.	7:00 P.M.	Slomškovo oltarno društvo Danica Maradin N.N.
PETEK - FRIDAY 25. MAREC <i>Gospodovo oznan. Mariji</i>	†† Križev pot - Stations of the Cross † Pok. iz družine Bunderla † Anton (obl.), Mihael in Marija Špiler † Hilda Žigon, 30. dan †† Ignac, Viktor in Danny Doma † Barbara Ceh, nee Rajtar (Win)	6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	 Ana Gergyek Helen Špiler Manja Erzetič Alois in Agata Sarjaš Marija Korošec z družino
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 26. MAREC <i>Larisa (Lara), mučenka</i>	†† Franc in Vera Pavlin † Joe Lackovič † Joe Lackovič † Ivan in Luise Sarjaš †† Katarina in Franc (obl.) Kapušin † Maks Pavlič †† Pok. starši Malevič in Oberman † Ana Ferencák	5:30 P.M.	Hči Alenka in Tomaž Košir Žena Vera z družino Kathy Prša z družino Alojz in Agata Sarjaš Hči Sonya in sin Joe z družino Kathy Prša z družino Družina Malevič Hči Albina in Jože Antolin
4. POSTNA NEDELJA 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT 27. MAREC RUPERT, ŠKOF	Za žive in rajne župljane † Ana Ferencák † Marija Dominko † Alojz Prilesnik †† Jožef in Emilia Balažic †† Pok. starši Zagorc † Juraj Fabina † Martin Glavač, obl. † Viktor Glavač OBČNI ZBOR - AGM	10:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M.	----- Franc in Ljudmila Zadravec Franc in Ljudmila Zadravec Žena Marija z družino Hči z družino Hči Jožica Erzar z družino Matthew & Mary Glavač z družino Matthew & Mary Glavač z družino Matthew & Mary Glavač z družino Po maši v cerkvi