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**3. VELIKONOČNA  
NEDELJA**

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

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## Zveličar je vstal

Že postni čas nas je prepričeval, kako je za človeka sicer nedoumljiva zakonitost trpljenja vendarle potrebna za odrešenje. Zdaj, v velikonočnem času, še bolj prepričljivo zvenijo besede Svetega pisma o trpljenju, ki se po božji moči obrača v dobro. Zlo izgleda uspešno, vsemogočno, kot da ima zadnjo besedo. A le ni tako! Dobro je močnejše, tako, da lahko tudi hudodelca pridobi zase. To veliko odrešenjsko misel so morali apostoli sami najprej krepko dojeti in jo potem ponesti v svet.

Zanimivo je, kako je v življenju ali sploh v zgodovini človeštva mnogo-krat vse ravno nasprotno, kot bi moralo biti! Prav obratno od tistega, kar bi ljudi osrečevalo. Kot da je vse zakleto in uročeno: svetega ubiti, ubijalca oprostiti, dobre kaznovati, izdajalce poveličevati. Včasih se zlo v človeštvu ali človeku tako nakopiči, da ga že ni mogoče razlagati s samo človeško hudobijo, ampak s samim Hudim, s tem večnim božjim in človekovim nasprotnikom. Vendar apostol nadaljuje: »Bog ga je obudil od mrtvih, čemur smo mi priče.« Pomlad je močnejša od zime, življenje močnejše od smrti, dobro neprimerno močnejše od zla, Bog neskončno močnejši od Hudega. Toliko močnejši, da je sposoben sprejeti ljudi, ki so služili Hudemu in jih narediti za svoje otroke. To je zmaga vseh zmag! Zato pravi Peter: »Bratje, vem, da ste ravnali iz nevednosti ... Spokorite se in spreobrnite se torej, da se vam izbrišejo vaši grehi.« Apostol je sam doživel poraz dobrega v sebi pred hudim, ko je Jezusa zatajil. A ni obupal. Veroval je v moč dobrote in usmiljenja svojega Odrešenika. Zdaj isto vero in zaupanje širi naprej.

Evangelij te nedelje se začena z zaključkom pripovedi o dveh učencih, ki sta srečala Vstalega. Človek, ki je spoznal resnico, čuti potrebo po tem, da jo posreduje drugim. Tako se resnica širi in mnoge oplaja po zaslugi enega človeka. V nadaljevanju slišimo, kako Kristus potrjuje pripoved dveh učencev. Učenci, zbrani v Kristusovem imenu, so iskali pot nazaj k njemu. Vendar pot do resnice, pot do Boga, pot do Kristusa in njegove Cerkve ni vedno lahko. A Kristus zagotavlja, da bo vedno ostal s Cerkvijo.

## SLOVENIAN COORDINATION COMMITTEE NIAGARA (SCCN)

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Report of the meeting April 11, 2015, 5:30 PM at  
Slovenski Park

**Present:** Club Sava: Marija Prilesnik, Kristina Balkovec, **St. Gregory the Great Parish:** Fr. Drago Gacnik, Milan Ferletic, **Soca/school:** Jenny Antolin, Sandy Allen, **Club Triglav:** Anthony Sekli, **Bled:** Milena Krušič, Alenka Bajec, Frank Gimpelj, **Lipa Park:** Martin Dim, Boris Plut, John Reiter, **Slovenski Park,** Boris Bubas, Martin Pušič, Frank Pinter, Boris Grdadolnik, Frank Majzelj, **Historical Society** Jozica Vegelj, Pamela Gosgnach, **SCCN:** Magda Razpotnik, Frank Novak. **Venec:** David Antolin, **CS Scholarship Foundation:** Frank Gimpelj. **Absent:** Reps from St. Joseph Society.

**Special Presentation by John Doma regarding Can/Slo/Fest:** John was invited to outline the event that has been in the planning stage since October of 2014. **Magda Razpotnik**, the SCCN Coordinator as well as a member of CanSloFest organizing committee, failed to inform members of SCCN about this major event being planned in the SCCN area. The CanSloFest will take place this year at Bled on Saturday July 18. The lack of communication created some disapproval among SCCN member associations when the event was made public in March this year.

**John Doma** explained that he is personally sponsoring **CanSloFest** to promote a wider awareness of the Slovenian Community on a larger scale than our current events. Professional performers will be from Canada, Slovenia and US. Tickets are already on sale for \$ 30.- per person. The potential profit will be distributed among the clubs. Future events could be rotated among interested clubs. After John's explanation and a few questions about the distribution of potential profits among clubs, SCCN members ex-

pressed individual support for the CanSloFest project.

**Agenda:** **Coordinator's** welcoming remarks.

**Minutes of the last meeting.** Minutes approved by: Jenny and seconded by Kristine.

**Introduction of Attendees.** Members present gave their names / name of the organization they represented.

**Magda** skipped her remarks as a Coordinator.

**Special Advisor's remarks:** **Frank Novak** pointed out that the 2014 fall meeting was cancelled due to Magda's personal loss at that time. He reminded members that this forum was established 25 years ago on the basis of good will and cooperation among clubs; keeping in mind that clubs' representatives first obligation is to their own organization needs and clubs' constitution before they bring their good will support to SCCN. This unique relationship worked in the past and should be practiced now even more for a successful future of SCCN.

**Club Presidents' Remarks were omitted this time.**

**Review of the contacts list:** for members of **Lipa Park, St.Gregory** and **Slovenski Park**

**Schedule of events updates:** **Bled** - April 18, October 3, **Slovenski Park:** Cancelled May banquet and August 1<sup>st</sup> volley ball tournament.

**Review of Slovenski Dan 2014:** **Milan** reported that the event was a success with a lot of good planning and much volunteer work. Just over 400 people attended but for 25 Anniversary they were prepared for a higher attendance number. Members at the table agreed that speeches were too long and people lost interest. The novelty at the event was using Slovenian Day money - with mixed success.

**Reviewing the Guidelines:** After the review, a motion was tabled by **Frank Gimpelj**, seconded by **Kristian** to move Slovenian Day from Sundays to Saturdays. The motion was carried with the first Saturday Slovenian Day taking place at the Slovenski Park on June 27<sup>th</sup> this year.

**Preparation for Slovenski Dan 2015 on Saturday June 27:** The host club is Slovenski Park. President **Boris Bubaš** reported that the festivities would start at 10:00 a.m. - Mass with procession, followed by lunch at noon and cultural program at 2:00 p.m. He also suggested that speeches should have a 2-minute time limit. Boris was interested in obtaining more details about St. Gregory's Slovenski Dan experience - a contact person will be provided.

**New Business: Frank Gimpelj** reported on the Scholarship Foundation's new rules. In future, the banquet will be held at St. Gregory's at the end of October, after Sunday English Mass. **David** suggested also presenting the scholarship award at the student's own high school graduation ceremony. **Frank Majzelj** announced his retirement from CS Historical Society.

**Election:** A discussion about why the name Coordinator was changed to the President of SCCN is now clarified: In all past minutes of SCCN meetings, the word Coordinator was used at all times. There was no change.

Members agreed to hold future elections with nominees. To be better prepared, they deferred today's election to the fall meeting. **Magda Razpotnik** in her final remarks expressed deep disappointment about SCCN members' lack of support in the past for her efforts as a Coordinator. Therefore, she declared that she is stepping down for personal reasons as a SCCN Coordinator after Slovenski Dan 2015 at Slovenski Park.

**Next meeting:** Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 3:00 p.m., at St. Gregory's (after CS Scholarship banquet)

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.:** motioned by **Alenka** and seconded by **Martin**

Submitted by Frank Novak

## SREČANJE PREDSTAVNIKOV SLOVENSKEGA KOORDINACIJSKEGA ODBORA NIAGARA PRI DRUŠTVU SLOVENSKI PARK

V soboto, 11. aprila 2015, so se predstavniki društev južnega Ontarija zbrali na srečanju v Slovenskem parku, Puslinch.

Že ob 5:15 so se srečali skupaj Honorary COUNSUL General John Doma, ki je predstavil novo prireditev CanSloFest, ki bo letos prvič, 18. julija pri društvu Bled-Planica 13. Sledila je večerja, ki so jo pripravili v klubu in nato smo nadaljevali redni sestanek, ki je trajal tja do devetih zvečer.



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Response: Let the light of your face shine on us,  
O Lord.

First Reading Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

The words of the prophets have been fulfilled: despite the ignorance of the people and their leaders, the Lord's saving work has been accomplished.

Second Reading 1 John 2:1-5

Jesus is the advocate who interceded for us sinners through his sacrifice; and now by our obedience God's love "comes to perfection" in us.

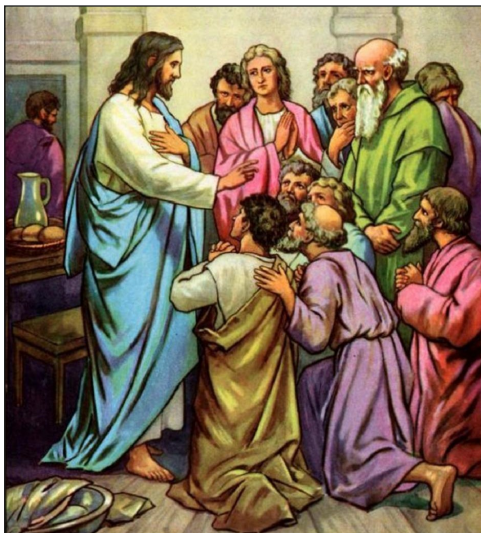
Gospel Luke 24:35-48

On Easter Sunday Jesus appears to his friends, showing them his wounded hands and feet and explaining that as the Messiah he had to die and rise again.

*"In his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations."*

### Illustration

It was Monday morning, 19 August 2013, when Fr Antonio Spadaro, editor of an international Jesuit magazine, approached the Santa Maria guesthouse where Pope Francis lives. He'd come for an interview with the recently elected Pope and found him standing there, with a broad, welcoming smile.



He had his first question ready but decided not to use it. Instead he found himself boldly asking the Holy Father: "Who is Jorge Mario Bergoglio?" For a moment the Pope stared in silence, though he assured the priest that he was not annoyed with the question. But, he explained, "I do not know what might be the most fitting description..." Then he went on: "I am a sinner. This is the most accurate definition. It is not a figure of speech... I am a sinner." After a few further comments, he reaffirmed that the best summary he could give of himself, the one that felt nearest to the truth, was this: "I am a sinner whom the Lord has looked upon."

### Gospel Teaching

In the sermon recorded in today's first reading, Peter the preacher pulls no punches; he reminds his hearers that they are all sinners. Nor could their sins be described as small: "You", he declares, "killed the prince of life." It's difficult to see how there could be any greater sin. But, thankfully, Peter doesn't leave the matter there; he goes on to explain: "God, however, raised him from the dead." It is as though he's saying: God has an answer for sin, for every sin; and the answer is the resurrection. On the cross Jesus took upon himself the burden of our sins and it killed him; through the resurrection his life has been restored and the burden of our sin lifted. No one has put it more forcefully than St Paul: "If Christ has not been raised... you are still in your sins."

The intimate connection between the resurrection and the forgiveness of sins is highlighted also in today's Gospel. The disciples are together when Jesus suddenly stands in their midst, greeting them with the words, "Peace be with you!" But, far from being at peace, they are at first filled with alarm and fear. In the first century, just as in the twenty-first, everyone knows that dead people remain dead. The disciples fear that they are seeing some kind of ghost. Jesus' response is to show them his hands and feet, hands and feet that bear the imprint of the nails. "Touch me", he says, "and see for yourselves"; it really is me: ghosts don't have flesh and bones. Then, we're told, "Their joy was so great that they could not believe it." It's as though they are caught between lingering doubts and overflowing joy: it seemed just too good to be true. Finally, an almost humorous touch, Jesus asks if there's anything to eat: ghosts are not in the habit of looking for a meal.

Now that his friends are convinced of his identity, Jesus "opened their minds", helping them to understand why, in accordance with the scriptures, he had to suffer and on the third day rise again. And now, he tells them, it is "in his name", in the name of the risen Christ, that they are to preach repentance of sins to all nations, beginning here in Jerusalem. Forgiveness of sins is the special gift of Easter-tide. It is to be central to the Church's teaching until the end of time.

### Application

The French writer Charles Péguy once said: "The sinner is at the very heart of Christianity. No one understands so well as the sinner what Christianity is about – no one unless it be the saint." We can understand the position of the saint but may wonder how ordinary, sinful people like ourselves can be said to be at the heart of Christianity. But the

readings we've heard today may enable us to see things differently. It's not only Pope Francis but each one of us who can answer the question, "Who are you?" with the words, "I am a sinner"; but we are sinners whom the risen Lord has looked upon. His look of love and mercy rested upon us when we were baptised; it rests upon us whenever we seek him in the sacrament of reconciliation; and it rests upon us again each time we celebrate the Eucharist. It's the certainty of forgiveness, fruit of the resurrection, that fills us with the joy of the Gospel.

## MATERINSKI DAN 2015

Slovenska šola pri sv. Gregoriju prireja kosilo in bogat kulturni program za Materinski dan v nedeljo **10. maja**. Sv. maša je samo ob 10:00 dopoldne, kosilo ob 12:00. Po kosilu sledi kulturni program.

Že sedaj Vas prosimo, da si to nedeljo rezervirate za nas. Istočasno vas prosimo tudi, da si čimprej rezervirate vstopnice, Sandy Allen (905-977-8464) ali alexrallen@live.com.

## MOTHER'S DAY 2015

The Slovenian School at St. Gregory The Great cordially invites everyone to celebrate its annual Mother's Day with them on Sunday, **May 10<sup>th</sup>**. Mass will be only at 10:00 a.m.. An excellent lunch will be cooked and served at 12:00 noon followed by a rich cultural program.

Please plan to spend part of this day with us. For reservations, please call Sandy Allen (905-977-8464) or email Sandy Allen (alexrallen@live.com) as soon as possible.

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# OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## PEVSKI ZBOR - VAJE

Nalednje vaje za mešani pevski zbor bodo v četrtek 23. aprila po večerni maši. Pripravili se bomo za 26. april, ko bo Spomladanski banket. Takrat bo med nami škof Tonnos in bo sveta maša samo ob 10:00h dopoldne.



## DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 22. april: **KŽZ - CWL - Mati dobrega sveta** - pri večerni maši bo sprejem novih članic.
- ♦ 26. april: **Spomladanski banket: maša bo samo ob 10:00 a.m.:** Mašo vodi hamiltonski škof v pokoju **Anthony F. Tonnos**.
- ♦ 2. maj-sobota: **članice SOD** se bodo zbrale pri sv. maši ob 5:30 popoldne in nato še na kratkem družabnem srečanju.
- ♦ 3. maj: **Sava** - maša ob 1:00 p.m., **London-St. John the Divine**- maša ob 4:00 p.m.
- ♦ 10. maj: **Materinski dan - Mother's Day** - maša **ob 10:00 a.m.**, 12:00 kosilo v dvorani - nato nastop otrok Slovenske šole
- ♦ 31. maj-nedelja: **Prvo sveto obhajilo** - sveta maša bo samo **ob 10:00 a.m.**
- ♦ 7. junij-nedelja: **Procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi - 10:00 a.m.;** ob 1:30 p.m. - **Katedrala: maša za obletnice porok;** ob 2:00 p.m. - **London-Triglav**, maša in procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi.
- ♦ 21. junij: **Bled-Planica 13** - Father's Day - maša ob 12:30 p.m.
- ♦ **27. junij - sobota: SLOVENSKI DAN v Slovenskem parku** - maša s procesijo ob 10:00 a.m., 12:00 kosilo, 2:00 p.m. Kulturni program - Otroške igre - Zabavni večer

## SPOMLADANSKI BANKET

Naš **SPOMLADANSKI BANKET** bo letos v **nedeljo, 26. aprila. Na ta dan bo samo ena maša, ob 10:00 dopoldne**, nato se bomo opoldne zbrali na kosilu.

Prijavite se lahko s prijavnico, ki ste jo dobili v velikonočni pošti ali pokličete **Terezijo Sarjaš na telefon: 905-560-1218**.

Za sveto mašo smo povabili škofa v pokoju, **Anthony F. Tonnosa**. Povabili smo ga že za jesensko 50 letnico, pa zaradi bolezni ni mogel priti. Sedaj se počuti boljše in je obljubil, da pride in bo stal bo tudi pri kosilu.

## BARAGOVİ DNEVI 2015

Letošnji Baragovi dnevi bodo v **Clevelandu** in sicer za »long weekend« v septembru, t.j. v **soboto 5. in v nedeljo 6. septembra**. Tudi naša župnija organizira avtobus za to romanje in če bi želeli iti z nami, se prijavite Tereziji Sarjaš. Za začetek je dovolj, da vemo, če bomo imeli dovolj interesentov.

Odhod bo v soboto zjutraj, ker je samo dobre štiri ure vožnje in nekaj časa računamo za prehod meje. Svete maše bodo v slovenskih cerkvah sv. Vida (v soboto zvečer - v angleščini) in pri Mariji vnebovzeti (v nedeljo popoldne v slovenščini).

Trenutno gledamo za primeren hotel in tudi razmišljamo, če bodo organizirali kakšno prireditev na kateri od pristav, da bi se morda zaustavili še tam v ponedeljek, sicer bomo prišli domov v nedeljo zvečer.

## MARMORA BUS PILGRIMAGE

MARMORA BUS PILGRIMAGE (day of prayer) is taking place on Saturday May 2, 2015. Holy Mass at 8:00AM at St. Gregory the

Great. For more information see the flyer at the entrance to the church or to reserve your seat on the bus, please call Angela on telephone: 905-662-5264.

## THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD DRIVE

THE GOOD SHEPHERD SPRING FOOD DRIVE IS UNDERWAY in Hamilton and area. Parishioners are asked to be generous to the annual food collection which assists the excellent work of the Good Shepherd Emergency Food Service, which helped over 50,000 people last year! Call 905-927-9485, ext. 210 for more information or assistance to make a donation. /The Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D, Bishop of Hamilton/

## OGNJIŠČE

Naročniki mesečnika Ognjišče lahko v zakristiji vzamete aprilsko številko revije. Zadnje čas vzame skoraj mesec dni, da pride do nas iz Slovenije.

## LETNI OBČNI ZBOR

V nedeljo, 12. aprila 2015 smo imeli letni župnijski občni zbor. Udeležba ni bila ravno velika. Začeli smo s pozdravom predsednika župnijskega sveta, Milana Ferletiča, nadaljevali z molitvijo, sprejetjem dnevnega reda, potrditvijo lanskoletnega zapisnika in nadaljevali s poročili posameznih skupin, na koncu smo še prebrali finančno poročilo. Po kratki pavzi je župnik obrazložil in objasnil nekatere postavke v finančnem poročilu. Potem je Heidy predstavila nekaj predlogov za prihodnost naše skupnosti, poudarila je

pomen prostovoljcev in vključevanje mlajše generacije v vodenje župnije. Nato se je razvil kratek pogovor ob predlogih za nove člane župnijskega sveta. Zaključili pa smo s prigrizkom in kavo. Hvala vsem za udeležbo.



**SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES:** Ponedeljek/Monday – Petek/Friday: 7:00 P.M. Sobota/Saturday: 8:00 A.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian 5:30 P.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian - Nedelja/Sunday: 9:30 A.M. – slovenska / in Slovenian - 11:00 A.M. – angleška / in English **KRSTI / BAPTISMS:** Po dogovoru, prijava 1 mesec prej. - For an app't, call one month before. **POROKE / MARRIAGE:** Prijava eno leto prej. / For an app't, call one year before the wedding date. **SPOVED / CONFESSIONS:** Vsak prvi petek ob 6:00 P.M. / 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 (person counselling) with your priest – please call during business hours for an appointment. Tel: 905-561-5971.

DON BOSCO

Od 19. 4. 2015  
Do 26. 4. 2015

# SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

### 3. VELKONOČNA

19. APRIL

*Leon IX., papež*

za žive in rajne župljane

† Elizabeth Ferko, obl.

† Anton Šverko

9:30 A.M.

Tone in Marija Bukvič

11:00 A.M. Društvo sv. Jožefa (5)

## PONEDELJEK

### MONDAY

20. APRIL

*Teotim, škof*

† Ana Zorčič

† Verona Balažič

† Kristina Zeks

† Tone Seljak

7:00 P.M.

Jožica Vegelj z družino

Nečakinja Minka z družino

Sister in law

Manja Erzetič

## TOREK - TUESDAY

21. APRIL

*Anzelim, škof*

† Pokojni Gačnik in Borštnik

8:00 A.M.

Jerica in Jože

## SREDA - WEDNESDAY

22. APRIL

*Aleksandra, mučenka*

†† Jožefa in Albin Sagadin

†† Marija Šlebič in Marija Zelko

V čast Matieri Dobrega Sveta

† Štefan Gonza

7:00 P.M.

Julija Sagadin z družino

Rudi in Marija Horvat

CWL - KŽZ

Društvo sv. Jožefa (2)

## ČETRTEK - THURSDAY

23. APRIL

*Jurij, mučenec*

†† Starši Štefanec

†† Starši Pavlič

†† Jože in Marija Zelko

†† Franciška in Stane Napast

7:00 P.M.

Maks in Milka Pavlič

Maks in Milka Pavlič

Hči z družino (Milosavljevič)

Družina Pinter

## PETEK - FRIDAY

24. APRIL

*Fidelis, duh.muč.*

Za duhovno prenovno škofije

†† Jožef in Marija Zelko, obl.

†† Štefan in Ana Mlinarič

7:00 P.M.

Slomškovo Oltarno Društvo

Marija in Toni Franc

Marija in Toni Franc

## SOBOTA

### SATURDAY

25. APRIL

*Marko, evangelist*

Po namenu

† Sidonija Drvarič

† Avgust Berkovič

† Barbara Car

† Dušan Ramuš, obl.

†† Peter Mihalič and Family

8:00 A.M.

n.n.

5:30 P.M.

Jožica Recek z družino

Zlatko in Marija Berkovič

Marija in Zlatko Berkovič

Sestra Sonja

Marija Mihalič

## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

### 4. VELKONOČNA

26. APRIL

*Dominik in Gregor*

za žive in rajne župljane

† Pavlin Franc, obl.

†† Leopold in Veronika Gimpelj

† Jeroslava Klun

10:00 A.M.

Alenka Košir z družino

Jože Gimpelj z družino

Amalija Štadler z družino

SPRING BANQUET 12:00

ŽUPNIJSKA DVORANA