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2. VELIKONOČNA BELA NEDELJA BOŽJE USMILJENJE

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY

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»Če ne vidite znamenj in čudežev, ne verujete?«

Ko stopamo v velikonočno bogoslužje današnje nedelje, se ustavimo najprej pri tretjem povzetku Apostolskih del, ki tvori današnje prvo berilo. Posreduje nam idealni pogled na krščansko občestvo v Jeruzalemu z njegovimi bistvenimi razsežnostmi: učinkovito delovanje apostolov, ki ga spremljajo »znamenja«, kakor so spremljala Jezusovo delovanje, bratska povezanost v molitvi in življenju, misijonarska moč vzgleda in krščanskega pričevanje. Izvor razgibane dejavnosti prvega krščanstva je ravno v življenjskem pričevanju, ki ga potrjuje Bog s svojo skrivnostno in presežno navzočnostjo. Človeškim rokam apostolov in učencev je sedaj zaupano isto delo osvobajanja od energij zla, ki ga je uresničeval Jezus v času svojega zemeljskega bivanja.



Na to besedo, ki se udejanja in je učinkovita, se ljudje odzivajo na različne načine. Luka našteva dva tipa ljudi: odziv voditeljev ter odgovor preprostih in pravičnih. V našem odstavku prevladuje druga skupina. Ob apostolih je zbran svet bolnih, revnih, zapostavljenih, ki najdejo novo upanje že, ko »senca« apostolov pade na njih. Ti so prvi in pravi naslovljenci oznanila Cerkve, kakor so bili tisti, ki jih je dosegel Jezusov klic. Zato morajo prav ti dobiti v krščanskem občestvu svoj dom in varen pristan. V tem občestvu naj bi bilo olajšano njihovo trpljenje, tu naj bi našli primerne besede, ki tolažijo ne pa strašijo, ki odpuščajo, ne pa sodijo, ki odrešujejo, ne pa obsojajo.

V naših cerkvah - kakor v tisti, ki jo opisuje Janez v dvorani zadnje večerje na veliko noč zvečer - so dejansko prisotni takšni, ki so prejeli dar Duha za



odpuščanje grehov. Po Janezovem prepričanju je ravno Cerkev, kot občestvo, odličen prostor, v katerem se uresničuje polno osvobajanje - odrešenje od zla in izgradnja novega človeštva, ki ga ustvarja Kristusov »dih«.

V naših cerkvenih občestvih je dejansko prisotna cela lestvica in razni nivoji izkustva vere. Tako tista »fanatična« kakor Tomaževa, ki za verovanje potrebuje »znamenja« in je že sam Jezus imel do nje polemichen odnos: »Če ne vidite znamenj in čudežev, ne verujete« (Jn 4,48). Tako tudi Tomaž izjavlja: »Če ne vidim... in ne vtaknem prsta... nikakor ne bom veroval«. Vendar je Jezus pozoren in potrpežljiv tudi do takšne zahtevne vere, da bi nato pohvalil sijaj in srečo (blagor) čiste in predane vere.

Tomaž potem, ko ga Jezus povabi, naj opravi preizkus, poda svojo izpoved kristološke vere, ki je najstarejša v vsem evangeliju: »Moj Gospod in moj Bog!«. V tej izpovedi je za Jezusa izrecno in neposredno uporabljen eden od izrazov vere v Stari zavezi, ki velja za Jahveja: »Moj Bog in moj Gospod« (Ps 35,23). V Cerkvi torej ni mesta samo za materialno uboge in bolne ali za moralno šibke, temveč tudi za take, ki doživljajo krizo vere ali imajo nepopolno vero. Dovolj je, da ne zaprejo srca in ne blokirajo hrepenenja po iskanju in pričakovanju. Prej ali slej se bo Kristus znova pojavil in tudi njim dejal: »Mir vam bodi!« ter razodel svojo željo, da jih reši. Dejansko je bila Kristusova Beseda, kakor piše Janez ob zaključku prve izdaje svojega evangelija, oznanjena zato, »da bi verovali, da je Jezus Kristus, Božji Sin in bi po veri vanj imeli življenje«.



Kristus je tako duša in cilj vsakega izkustva Cerkve, kakor to ponosno nakazuje mogočna velikonočna prikazen, s katero se začne Razodetje, ki je knjiga upanja in zaupanja prve Cerkve. Skoraj tako kot na kakšnem bizantinskem mozaiku velikonočni Kristus obvladuje sceno kot »Prvi in Zadnji«. Kristus je izvir in konec bivanja ter zgodovine, kot »Živi«. To je po starozaveznem izražanju najgloblja izpoved o Bogu. Pred Kristusom vsa Cerkev moli in v čisti hvali obhaja liturgijo, ki je predokus nebeške liturgije. Središče tega slavljenja je Vstajenje, najgloblja krščanska skrivnost: »Bil sem mrtev, a glej, živim na veke vekov in imam ključ smrti in podzemlja«. Kristus je z vstajenjem postal nesporen Gospod nad smrtjo in temino, v njem nam sije svet upanja in luči. Zato je knjiga Razodetja pesem upanja na zmago. Kristus prežema zgodovino, jo sodi, zajema preteklost, sedanost in prihodnost ter opominja in opogumlja kristjana naj potuje svoji usodi slave naproti tudi sredi temine in grenkob.



(Prim. Oznanjevalec 2004)

VELIKA NOČ V HAMILTONU IN OKOLICI

V soboto, 21. aprila, je bil poln dan. Začel sem z blagoslovom jedil v Londonu pri društvu Triglav. Zbrali smo se v cerkvi St. John the Divine. Naslednji blagoslov je bil v Breslavu pri društvu Sava. Ker je bila dvorana zasedena smo imeli blagoslov v društveni sobi, kjer se nas je zbralo lepo število; vsak s svojim koškom in jedili, kot nje njihova navada v družini.

Nadaljevali smo z blagoslovi doma v župnijski cerkvi. Pri prvem blagoslovu ob treh je bila cerkev bolj polna kot v nedeljo. Lepo je, da tudi mladi in otroci pridejo vsaj ta dan in da dobijo nekaj informacij o velikonočnih običajih in kako so povezani s praznovanjem. Pri naslednjih blagoslovih, nas je bilo nekaj manj.

Glavna slovesnost velike sobote je velikonočna Vigilija. Začeli smo z blagoslovom ognja pred cerkvijo (pripravil ga je Franc Toni). Z ministranti in drugimi pomočniki smo se pomikali v cerkev in vsem navzočim prižgali svečke. Potem pa poslušali hvalnico velikonočni sveči. Po branju beril iz stare in nove zaveze smo zapeli velikonočno Alelujo in se s kipom vstalega Zveličarja podali v procesijo po cerkvi (tokrat ga je nosil Joe Gosgnach). Po evangeliju smo blagoslovi vodo z krst in obnovili krstne obljube, potem pa nadaljevali z mašo. Pri maši je pel mešani zbor pod vodstvom Johna Horvata in na orglah Carl Vegelj. V nedeljo zjutraj smo začeli z velikonočno Alelujo in procesijo (tokrat je nosil kip Jože Antolin). Zbor pa je prav tako prepeval med celostno mašo.

Pri drugi, angleški maši ob enajstih, je prepeval angleški zbor.

Še enkrat hvala vsem sodelavcem med velikonočnimi praznovanji. Posebej ge. Olgi za lepo okrašeno cerkev, bralcem, ministrantom, drugim sodelavcem ...







CWL - OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

On Wednesday, April 24th, our parish community honoured Our Lady of Good Counsel at Mass. We welcomed one new Catholic Women's League member and acknowledged ladies for 10, 40 and 50 years of service. We thank Father Drago Gačnik for saying this Mass and the English choir for providing music. We are grateful to everyone who participated in the Mass and assisted with preparations. We also appreciated donations of pecivo and čaj which we enjoyed at our reception after Mass.

We offer our congratulations to these ladies: - New member: Marie Kočevar

- 10 years of service: Karolina Benko, Anna Doma, Mary Janošević, Irena Kolmanič, Mary Miketič, Sonya Podrebarac, Majda Salajko, Doreen Sebben, Rosemary Šušteršič, Ana Truden-Cantoni, Terezija Uduč

- 40 years of service: Vera Gonza

- 50 years of service: Lojzka Saje

Wear your emblems with pride! Honour, invoke and imitate our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. Marija Mati dobrega sveta, prosi za nas!

Our next general CWL meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 1st after 7 pm Mass.

- Rosemary Šušteršič



MATERINSKI DAN

Slovenska Sola pri sv. Gregorju prireja kosilo in bogat kulturni program za Materinski dan v nedeljo 12. maja. Sv.

maša je ob 10:00. Po maši, ob 11:30, sledi kratek kulturni program in "Graduation". Po programu vam nudimo "buffet" kosilo.

Vstopnice so \$15.00. Že sedaj Vas prosimo, da si to nedeljo rezervirate za nas.

Istočasno vas prosimo tudi, da si čimprej rezervirate vstopnice, **Sandy Ferletič** (905-977-8464) ali sferletic@gmail.com.

MOTHER'S DAY

The Slovenian School at St. Gregory The Great cordially invites everyone to celebrate its annual Mother's Day with them on Sunday, May 12th. We are continuing our new format: Mass will be at 10:00am followed by a short cultural program and Graduation Ceremony at 11:30am.

After the program, there will be a small luncheon buffet. Tickets are \$15.00, children under 5 are free.

For reservations, please contact **Sandy Ferletič** by phone at 905-977-8464 or by email at sferletic@gmail.com as soon as possible.



FISH FRY je lepo potekal. Učiteljice slovenske šole bi se radi zahvalile vsem staršem in učencem, ki so pomagali ta dan in v četrtek zvečer. Prav tako se zahvaljujemo vsem faranom, ki so sodelovali. Še enkrat prav lepa hvala vsem za pomoč pri opravljeni akciji za pridobitev finančnih sredstev!

FISH FRY was a great success for an eighth year! The Slovenian School teachers would like to thank all the parents and students who worked at the event and those who helped with the set up on Thursday night. We would like to specifically thank Debbie Delullo and the Žagar family who help by providing the fryers every year and frying the fish and fries. We would also like to thank all the parishioners, who came to enjoy a dinner of fish and chips, supporting and helping the Slovenian School fundraiser. Thank you everyone and we look forward to holding this event again next year.

Sandy Ferletič



Bled Planica Social Club



Mother's Day Lunch

May 5, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.

Special Guest Performance



Vokalna skupina PLAMEN

Tickets:

Adults \$30

Students \$15

For table reservations call:

Frank Gimpelj
905 531 0894

Thomas Mes
905 971 3831

Roman Štadler
289 241 8218

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Response:

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever.**

First Reading Acts 5:12-16

The apostles continue Christ's work, and people begin to believe in spite of their fears.

Second Reading Apocalypse 1:9-13. 17-19

John writes of his vision of the risen Christ, who reassures him that he should continue his work even though he has been punished for his witness.

Gospel John 20:19-31

The disciples are afraid and Thomas has to overcome his doubt; but they receive the Spirit Jesus breathes on them as he sends them out in peace.

"Peace be with you."



Illustration

The Tate Modern is a fantastic showcase for contemporary art, on London's South Bank. The setting is amazing, right next to the River Thames; and here modern art is housed in a dis-used power station complete with a sky-scraping factory chimney. The entrance hall is the size of a cathedral and draws your eyes upwards in the same way.

One of the current exhibits is a sculpture called Three Points, by the British artist Henry Moore. It is cast in bronze and is not one of the huge outdoor pieces for which he is well known – it is small, and initially it has a round feeling to it. However, each end comes to a sharp point that doesn't quite touch the other. It has two end points, and one middle point that reaches up



towards the other two but can't quite get there. Moore himself said, "This pointing has an emotional or physical action in it where things are just about to touch but don't... like the points in the sparking plug of a car... the spark has to jump across the gap."

The points seek to reach each other, but there is an empty space between them. It feels as though there is doubt in the chasm between the points – were we made to reach each other or to remain stretching into the void? There is no spark, like there would be in a car engine – these points never touch.

Gospel Teaching

In the locked room, the disciples are waiting, afraid. Jesus has been killed, and they fear they could be next. They are not really sure what they are supposed to do next. Thomas, at least, is full of doubt and cannot bring himself to believe what some of the others have been saying about seeing a risen Christ. He needs proof. He is moving away from belief, towards unbelief. Yet when Christ appears Thomas seems ready, somehow, to believe. When Jesus says, "Peace be with you", Thomas is not just reassured, he is full of joy and awe. "My Lord and my God!" he says.

But to reach this point, to repeat Henry Moore's phrase, "the spark has to jump across the gap". Some commentators believe that Thomas had actually become rather cynical and almost didn't want to believe. Even faced with the testimony of people close to him, he rejected what he

heard. But surely, to move so quickly from a state of doubt to a profound belief in Jesus as God, Thomas must have been reaching out in some way, at least wanting to believe?

When he sees and experiences God's presence, when he hears the word "Peace", his anxieties and doubts are quelled, and he believes. He is ready to accept his mission and continue Christ's work. "Doubt no longer but believe," says Jesus; and Thomas is quick to accept the invitation.

Application

Most of us have experienced periods of doubt. Anxiety and fear can become blocks or barriers. We are afraid to believe – we cannot take that leap across what feels like empty space. Why are we so frightened? Is it because of the possible consequences? What might it mean to our comfortable lives if we really believed and accepted Christ's mission? Or is it a lack of trust? Unless we hear Jesus say to us, "Peace be with you", we are not convinced of his presence and we are not ready for our mission. We are like the points in Henry Moore's sculpture that can't quite touch – we reach out but, because we can't quite believe we can get there, we don't stretch ourselves quite enough and we remain limited.

We are called to move towards belief and towards trust. God is with us. But we can only really come to believe and trust in God if we are open to do so. The feeling of openness can be frightening, because, in our human experience, when we allow people to get close to us, we know we can be hurt. But God loves us. When Thomas expresses his doubt, Jesus does not appear in a blaze of anger and send Thomas away. He invites Thomas to come closer, to see and to touch his wounds.

Peace is God's action among us. God's presence brings joy, not fear. We can overcome our doubts, our fear and our anxiety as we move towards belief, towards trust. We stretch ourselves out towards God, who invites us to come closer.

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKJE VAJE

Pevske vaje za mešani pevski zbor so ima ta teden vaje v četrtek, po večerni maši. Angleški zbor ima vajo vsako sredo po večerni maši. Novi pevci vedno dobrodošli. Zbora pojeta pri maši za materinski dan, 12. maja.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 28. april: **Lipa Park** - Ambassador - Mother's Day Luncheon
- ♦ 4. maj: **Bled** - Spring Opening of the Park
- ♦ 5. maj: **Bled** - Mother's Day Lunch
- ♦ 5. maj: **Sava** - Mass 1:00 p.m.
- ♦ 11. maj: **Sava** - Mother's Day Celeb. - Golden Keys
- ♦ 12. maj: **St. Gregory the Great** - Mass 10:00 a.m., Mother's Day Celebration by Slovenian School
- ♦ 17-20. maj: **Slovenski Park** - Long Weekend - Mass & Procession on Sunday, May 19th, at 1:00 p.m. - Lunch with Fr. Drago
- ♦ 20. maj: **Lipa Park** - Open House/Folk Arts, Picnic - Golden Keys
- ♦ 26. maj: **St. Gregory the Great** - First Communion - Mass at 10:00 a.m.

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠAJO

- ♦ 28. april 9:30 a.m.: Jožica Vegelj in Eva Erzetič
- ♦ 5. maj 9:30 a.m.: Milena Volčanšek
- ♦ 12. maj 10:00 a.m.: Stan Pelcar & Josie Dubé
- ♦ 19. maj 9:30 a.m.: Karl in Milka Ferko

DAROVI

Za Slomškovo oltarno društvo za rože je darovala \$60 Manja Erzetič.

\$100 sta darovala Kathy in Joe Prša za gradbe-

ni sklad namesto rož za + Anteja Čule. Društvo sv. Jožefa je ob smrti Anteja Čule darovalo \$50 za gradbeni sklad in za pet svetih maš za pokoj njegove duše.
- Hvala vam za vaš dar.

PRVI PETEK

Ta teden je že prvi petek v mesecu maju. Čez dan bom obiskal bolnike, zvečer ob šestih bo priložnost za sveto spoved, češčenje Najsvetejšega in ob 7h sveta maša.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu maju bo večna luč svetila po namenu Marije Korošec z družino za pokojnega moža Ignaca.

SAVA KITCHENER-BRESLAU

Društvo Sava v Kitchener-Breslavu vabi vse članice, člane, prijatelje, znance in vaše družine, da se nam pridružite v soboto, 11. maja 2019, na Materinski Banket.

Tako bomo vsi skupaj počastili naše matere, babice in prababice za njihov praznik.

Začetek je ob 6:00 uri s koktajli in potem večerja ob 7:00 uri.

V programu, po večerji, bomo počastili in se zahvalili Materi leta 2019, naši dolgoletni članici upravnega odbora ge. Zinki Mirt.

Za ples in veselo družbo nam bo igral **Ansambel Golden Keys.**

Vstopnice so v predprodaji do 8. maja. Za odrasle je cena \$40 p/o, za študente \$30, otro-

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ci do 12. leta imajo prost vstop.

Za informacije/rezervacije pokličite Marijo Prilesnik na telefon 519-884-4736 ali Kristino Balkovec na telefon 519-576-5149 ali katerega

PRVO SV. OBHAJILO



FIRST COMMUNION

Prosimo starše, da bi čimprej prijavili otroke za **PRVO SV. OBHAJILO**, ki bo v naši župniji v nedeljo, 26. maja 2019 ob 10:00h dopoldne.

Prijavite lahko tudi tiste otroke, ki so ali bodo šli k prvemu svetemu obhajilu v angleških cerkvah.

S pripravami bomo začeli **v soboto, 4. maja ob 12:30 p.m. v cerkvi.**

Pokličite župnišče: Fr. Drago Gačnik, 905-561-5971 ali 905-520-2014.

od članov upravnega odbora.

Še enkrat najlepša hvala in srečne, vesele Velikonočne praznike naj vam prinesejo osebnega zadovoljstva in miru. - Marija Prilesnik

SLOMŠKOVO OLTARNO DRUŠTVO

V soboto, **11. maja 2019**, vabimo vse članice Slomškovega oltarnega društva na letno srečanje. Najprej se udeležimo daritve svete maše ob 5:30 p.m., potem pa nadaljujemo še v družabnem pogovoru.

Vabljene vse članice, da se srečanja udeležijo.

MARMORA PILGRIMAGE

Please join us for the day of prayer on a pilgrimage to the Greenside Farm

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

8:00 AM - Mass at St. Gregory the Great

9:00 AM - Bus departure from the parking lot

9:20 AM - pick-up at Burlington Go-Station

8:00 PM - Return to St. Gregory the Great

Cost for the bus: \$40 per person (pay before May 1st)

Reservation:

Catharine - Tel.: 905-318-2242

Angela - Tel.: 905-930-7442

Halina - Tel.: 905-573-6499



SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday: 8:00 A.M., Tuesday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 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.

DON BOSCO

od 28. 4. 2019
do 5. 5. 2019

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

2. VELIKONOČNA - BELA NEDELJA DIVINE MERCY

28. APRIL

Božje usmiljenje

Za žive in rajne župljane 9:30 A.M.
† Ed Kodarin Sejranic Family
†† Veronika & Leopold Gimpelj in Frank, obl. Jože Gimpelj
† Alojz Sampl Družina Steržaj
†† Maks & Maksimilijan Sagadin, obl. 11:00 A.M. Julijana Sagadin z družino

PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 29. APRIL, Katarina Sie.

† Eileen Anne Eileen 8:00 A.M. N.N.

TOREK - TUESDAY

30. APRIL

Jožef Cottolengo, red.

†† Pok iz družine Seljak 7:00 P.M. Francka Seljak
† John Krenos Toni in Marija Franc
Za zdravje Dragica Đundraš
† Ante Čule Društvo sv. Jožefa (1)

SREDA - WEDNESDAY

1. MAJ

Jožef, delavec

†† Alojz in Marija Mes, obl. 7:00 P.M. Družina Mes
†† Anica, Nežka in Jože, obl. Franc Erzar
Po namenu CWL - KŽZ
† Lyn Lobo Dorothea Ježovnik

ČETRTEK - THURSDAY

2. MAJ

Atanazij, šk-učitelj

†† Rajni iz družine Malevič 7:00 P.M. Družina Malevič
†† Rajni iz družine Oberman Družina Malevič
†† Rajni farani Družina Malevič

PRVI PETEK

FIRST FRIDAY

3. MAJ

Filip in Jakob, apostola

†† Jože in Marija Zelko 7:00 P.M. Bernarda Milosavljevič
†† Paula in Franc Pelcar Bernarda Milosavljevič
† Marija Kociper Bernarda Milosavljevič
† Štefan Prša Sestra Marija Volf

SOBOTA - SATURDAY

4. MAJ

*Florijan (Cvetko), muč.
Silvan, mučenec*

Po namenu romarjev 8:00 A.M. Romarji za Marmoro
† Florjan Miklavčič 5:30 P.M. Družina Miklavčič
† Ignac Korošec Sin Frank in Family
†† Anka in Marica Fabina Jožica Vlašič z družino
† Branko Ježovnik Jožica Vlašič z družino
† Marija Horvat Družina Gergyek
† Davor Žabčič Družina Kapušin
† Štefan Ray Družina Fabina

3. VELIKONOČNA - NEDELJA

5. MAJ

Angel, mučenec

Za žive in rajne župljane 9:30 A.M.
† Janez Kosednar, obl. Žena in družina
†† Pavla in Janez Horvat Elizabeth Gimpelj
†† Anton in Martha Ritlop Hči z družino
† Vera Staniša, obl. 11:00 A.M. Pepca Hapke z družino
†† Lucia, Jernej & John Ponikvar Družina Ponikvar
† Tony Desanti Mary Desanti