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TAM SE JE PRED NJIMI SPREMENIL

Jezus je obljubljeni Mesija. Kljub duševnemu pretresu, ko je sam sporočil učencem, da bo umorjen, ostaja blagoslovljeni, od Boga ljubljeni sin. On že odseva prihodnjo slavo poveličanja. Na gori je učencem, ki so le stežka razumevali pomen resničnega mesijanstva, utrdil vero. Spremenjen je se jim je vtisnilo v spomin. Ob preizkušnjah so se »vračali« na visoko goro. Tudi nas spreminjenje nagovarja, naj črpamo iz ur resničnega občutja božje bližine moč za dneve, ki se vrste eden za drugim. Preživljamo sončne dneve in meglo, ki nam zatemni spoznanje. Duhovne vrednote prepoznamo šele, ko se pred nami »spremene, povečajo«. Šele tedaj lahko zatrdimo: »To je resnica.« Jezus je božji sin. Samo on pozna pot, ki vodi v polno življenje.« Izkustvo potrebujemo, da utrdimo in premerimo svoje življenje.

»Spreminjenje« spodbuja češčenje Boga - srečujemo se s »sijajem«, ki ga ni nikjer drugje na zemlji. Evangelist Luka nam je podrobno opisal Pavlovo izkustvo: »Na poti tja sem opoldne zagledal luč, o kralj, svetlejšo od sončne svetlobe, ki je z neba posijala čezme ... in zaslišal sem glas« (Apd 26,13).

»Učenik, dobro je, da smo tukaj; naredimo tri šotore«. Slutimo, da se Peter ni zavedal, česa prosi. Za to, kar je doživel, je z gotovostjo trdil: »To je dobro.« Zakaj ne bi tega še kdaj doživel? Kaj se ne skriva v vsakem lepem trenutku želja, da bi življenje ustavil na tej točki? Ob izzivih jutrišnjega dne mnogi zmagujejo z glavo: »Tega ne bomo zmogli.«

Kje bi obtičalo naše odrešenje, ko bi bila Petrova prošnja uslišana! Vedno je hudo, ko naši sodobniki odlože svoje versko prepričanje na začetku samostojnega življenja. Mnogi vero prenažno zavržejo. Onehajo, preden so se podali na pot odkrivanja in raziskovanja. Vera, ki že leta ni rasla z njimi, je pohabljen in zato ne more odgovoriti na življenjska vprašanja.

OBLETNICE POROK

V soboto, 13. februarja 2016 sta sta se **Joyce** in Matija **Tompa** Bogu zahvalila za 50 let skupnega življenja in obenem prosila za božji blagoslov za leta, ki jih jima bo Bog naklonil.



V nedeljo, 14. februarja, pa sta se med enajsto mašo Bogu zahvalila za 60 let skupnega življenja **Marijain Ignac Korošec**. Naj tudi njiju spremlja božji blagoslov.



Obema paroma iskrene čestitke za lep zgled skupnega življenja. To je še posebej pomembno za mlade, ki stopajo na skupno pot, da bi se ob teh slovesnostih navdihovali, da je mogoče živeti skupaj toliko let kljub vseh težavam s katerimi se dnevno srečujejo.



Pri društvu Sava so v soboto, 13. marca 2016 praznovali Valentinovo. Veliko srce je družilo mlajše in starejše v prijetno prijateljevanje in rajanje.

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT SLOVENSKA NOČ?

We are inviting you and your club to come out for a night of Song, Dance, and Fun on April 2, 2016 at St. Gregory the Great Hall. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., Program & Appetizers at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m.. More information on the flayer.

This event is an attempt for our community youth to come together and get in touch with our roots through a cultural program during appetizers and dinner then followed by a night of socializing and dancing. There will be a few surprises throughout the night!

If you'd like to or know of any performers that might want to get involved- We have a few open spots left!

We are also accepting donations for raffles or sponsorship for the event. Every bit will help and let us know that we have the community supporting our event put on by our youth.

Hvala! - Millie Muhic-Dolenc

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Youth Representative/Predstavnica Mladine
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St. Gregory the Great CWL Annual Parish Bazaar



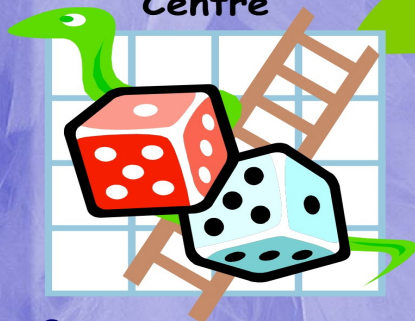
Donations:

to the Penny Sale Table
of new or crafted items
will be graciously received
Saturday Morning
February 27th

Baked Goods
will be accepted
early on the
morning of
the Bazaar!



Children's
Centre



LUNCH

served promptly at 12:30pm
Paid Reservations \$15/adult
(at the door \$17)
Child 4-10 yrs \$5
3 and under free

**Pecivo
Noodles
Strudel
Krofe**

**Raffle
Penny Sale
Lottery
50/50**

Please Join us for an Afternoon
of fun with
Family and Friends!
We look Forward to your support!

Sunday, February 28, Doors Open 11am

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

First Reading Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Human beings make covenants out of mistrust. God makes a covenant out of love.

Second Reading Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

We are measured by the standards of heaven, our true home, not the standards of the earth.

Gospel Luke 9:28-36

We are perfected not just by our own love but by the love of others. Christ is perfect because he is the perfectly beloved.

“This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.”

Illustration

As anyone who has been on a mountain, especially in the Scottish Highlands, will know, clouds are not unusual at the summit. The mist may descend at any time and the effects on those who are caught by clouds are multiple. There is a feeling of fear, because of the lack of visibility, though usually it is possible to see far enough to keep going. It also becomes colder as the sun is blocked, and the mist may be damp. Yet there is also a strange comfort in the mist. A womb-like security seems to come with the mist. The mist gathers people together in a strange unity and it seems as if time has stopped. At the summit, there is nowhere to go except down. Yet the mist seems to say to us, “Stay here.”

Peter might well have seen the coming of the cloud as a response to his suggestion that they should stay on the mountain. It is irrational but in the presence of the great ones of Peter’s shared

Jewish past, with the revelation of the greatness of Jesus, glowing with light, who knew what might be possible? The cloud was the presence of God, with the transfigured Christ at its heart. Surely the kingdom had come? Yet the real meaning of the transfiguration is that we have to come down from the mountain. The transcendent moments that we may experience on earth always fade. They vanish like snow falling into water. We have to make our way through the drudgery of ordinary life to the heaven we have yet to see. We can rest from time to time but the journey continues.

Gospel Teaching

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of a journey. The journey does not end with the feast of the Ascension of the Lord. On that day, we gaze up into the heavens but realise that we still have work to do on earth and places to go. Jesus’ ascension is not the end of the road but the gateway to a new road through the world. Abraham was not asked to make a shrine to worship the God who had appeared to him in his own land, but was asked to go to another place. It might have seemed to him that this would be his land for ever, but we know we are called to another land. We wander through the desert now, but we carry a greater presence than the ark of the covenant because Christ is with us always.

Peter, James and John come down the mountain with Jesus. They find themselves back in the messiness of life. Jesus himself will show the strain when he finds himself surrounded by a great crowd. The serenity of the mountain will soon pass and the disciples will fail to cure a boy possessed by a demon. Just a few verses further on in Luke’s Gospel, Jesus will utter startling words: “Faithless and perverse generation! How much longer must I be among you and put up with you?” Yet this is what he came for and he now begins his journey to Jeru-

salem, where the fate of the world will be decided. The mountain was a glimpse of what is to come, but we must walk the road that Jesus walks.

Application

Only in the Gospel of Luke are we told that Jesus climbed the mountain of the transfiguration in order to pray. Luke emphasises the role of prayer in the lives of Jesus and his disciples. Luke had learned how the Church could not make progress without prayer, and if we ask what is wrong with the Church, and our own lives, the answer is often the same: there is not enough prayer.

Yet prayer itself in this life always has to come to an end. Even the greatest of contemplatives still had to live their lives, and life is a struggle. The story of the transfiguration is a story of prayer, and our understanding of it can be deepened if we look back in the Bible. When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, he found the people worshipping a

golden calf, and he was angry but he stayed with them. Elijah, too, ran from the people, but found faith among the Gentiles. Jesus finds confusion among the people he has left behind but, instead of running away, he sets his face for Jerusalem. Prayer gives us peace, but we have to take that peace into the turbulence of people's lives.



KROFI, KAVA, ČAJ - DONUTS ...

Vas obveščamo, da vas bomo danes, v nedeljo **21. februarja**, učiteljice in otroci slovenske šole postregli s **krofi, kavo/čajem ali sokom v spodnji dvorani in to po obeh mašah**. Vljudno Vas prosimo in Vas vabimo, da pridete in se pogostite. Če hocete naročit krofe po »dozen« prosim do torka 16. februarja pokličite Sandy Ferletič (905) 977-8464 ali spo-ročite po emailu: sferletic@gmail.com.

The teachers and students of Slovenian School will be serving **donuts, coffee and tea after both Masses on Sunday, February 21st in the downstairs hall**. We will be there from 9:00 AM to 12 noon. We invite you to come and relax with your friends and family. If you would like to order Krofe by the dozen, please call Sandy Ferletic at (905) 977-8464 or by email at sferletic@gmail.com before Tuesday February 16th. This way we can ensure that we order enough for everyone.

We thank you in advance for your generosity and cooperation. We hope to see you soon for coffee/tea/juice, donuts and some friendly chit-chat!

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, invites us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of a worldwide initiative called **"24 Hours for the Lord."**

Confessors will be available at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton on **Friday, March 4th from 4:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.** with Father Bill Trusz (Missionary of Mercy) preaching at 7:00 p.m.

On **Saturday, March 5th** we will begin with a Mass for Reconciliation and Peace at 8:30 a.m. in the Cathedral Basilica.

Confessions will resume after Mass until 4:30 p.m

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

Mešani pevski zbor bo imel v četrtek zvečer po maši pevske vaje.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 21. februar: **St. Gregory** - General meeting
- ♦ 28. februar: **CWL-KŽZ: BAZAR**, Društvo sv. Jožefa: general meeting. **Mass only at 10:00 a.m.**
- ♦ 6. marec: **London**: maša v dvorani Triglav ob 1:45 p.m.; **Bled**: Dan žena-Women's Day
- ♦ 13. marec: **Društvo sv. Jožefa** - Banket; **London-Triglav**: Annual Membership Meeting; **Sava**: Membership General Meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- ♦ 17-18. marec: **St. Gregory** - Duhovna obnova
- ♦ 20. marec: **Palm Sunday** - Mass starts at **9:15** in the hall. **Sava**: Mass at 12:00, **London** -St. John the Divine, Mass at 4:00 p.m.
- ♦ 20. marec: **Lipa park** - Predstavitev novega ambasadorja leta 2016 - začetek ob 1:00 p.m.- igra: »Europa« (Steve Cafuta)
- ♦ 25. marec: **St. Gregory** - Good Friday celebration at 3:00 p.m. - **FISH FRY** at 4:30 p.m.
- ♦ 26. marec: **Blessing of the Easter Food**: **London**: 10:00 a.m., **Sava**: 12:00, **St. Gregory the Great** at 3:00, 4:00, 5:00 p.m.; **Easter Vigil** at 8:00 p.m.
- ♦ 2. april: **St. Gregory the Great** - Slovenska noč - VSKO is organizing
- ♦ 10. april: **St. Gregory the Great** - Spomladanski banket; **Mass at 10:00 a.m.**

PRINAŠANJE DAROV: GIFT BEARERS

Feb. 21st, 9:30 a.m.: Ivan in Angela Antolin

CWL-KŽZ

Our **Annual Parish Bazaar** is one week away! Our parish family and friends are invited **Sunday, February 28**. Doors open at 11am.



Donations to the penny sale, raffle and bake tables are needed and would be received with sincere appreciation for your generosity, effort and thoughtfulness. Your donations can be **dropped off** to the **upper hall Saturday morning, Feb 27** or through the week to a CWL member or to Fr. Drago. Please drop your **baked donations on Sunday morning** of the bazaar **before mass** so we have time to make up petcivo plates.

We rely on your generosity to fill these tables.

We have passed the deadline for pre-orders of strudel. We will be selling apple strudel pieces at the bazaar.

A few booklets of **Lottery tickets** are available. They are on sale before and after Sunday masses. We kindly ask that our **members** after attempting to **sell their 5 booklets** return sold and unsold tickets as soon as possible. **All the profit income from the sale of these tickets is 100% donated to our parish.**

Lunch Tickets are being sold by Teresa Sarjaš(905 560 0089) and Pamela Gognach after mass. **Reserved tickets are \$15/ at the door \$17** for adults. Children 10 and under are \$5. Children 3 and under are free.

Parish family, it is only your **attendance, generosity and support** that will allow us to **continue the tradition** of this, over **40 year family event** and for it to be successful. **We rely on and look forward to your continued support.**

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA

Slovenian Society/Villa Slovenia Annual Meeting - Sunday, February 28th: Meeting will be held following the 10:00 a.m. Mass at Villa Slovenia. Reports will be presented on the activities of the Društvo and Villa. All members and new members are invited to attend. Coffee and Krofi will be served.

St. Joseph Society/Društvo membership is now due. Please see Frank Erzar for payment of your 2016 membership card.

The Annual St. Joseph Society Banquet will be held on Sunday, March 13th. Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased by contacting Frank Erzar @ 905-643-0285. Entertainment and door prizes. Reserve your table now. Admission: Adults: \$25, Students 20, Children: \$7.

A Call for **Youth Talent**: At the annual St. Joseph Society Banquet we will be featuring **"Nageljčki Dancers"** from Toronto & our own youth who will share their artistic talents. Performances may include: dance, vocal, instrumental, gymnastics or other stage performances. - For interest and confirmation contact: **Peter Novak** @ 905-560-4201, Jerry Ponikvar @ 905-333-5813.

CANADINA-SLOVENIAN BUTTON ACCORDION CHAMPIONSHIP

During the July long weekend, Slovenski Park is hosting the **Canadian Slovenian Button Accordion Championship**. Tickets for a chance to win an accordion will be sold at church events. Half the proceeds of these tickets sales will be going to Slovenski Park and the other half will be going to the Girls Club and the church. Any questions about the draw sales please contact Leah Skerl at 905-979-1551 or by email at leahskerl@gmail.com

DAROVI-DONATIONS

Hema Kosednar je darovala \$50 za cerkev v spomin na pokojnega Vida Kstelica. Veronika Čurič je darovala \$100 za cerkev. - Hvala obema za darove.

OBČNI ZBOR - GENERAL MEETING

Danes popoldne ob treh ste vabljeni na letni **Občni zbor**. Pomembno je, da je udeležba čim večja, saj se na the srečanjih ne le pregleda delo v preteklem letu, ampak se tudi načrtuje leto, ki je pred nami.

MAKING A CHANGE IN THE YEAR OF MERCY

A day of Lenten renewal for **Young Adults** (ages 18-35). Guest Speaker: **Michael Chiasson**, Access 52 Ministries. Sunday, April 24, 2016, 1:00 – 7:00pm (dinner included), **McNally Hall**, Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. \$5.00 offering suggested

To register or for more information contact: Christina Mines, cmiles@hamiltondiocese.com, Phone: 905-528-7988 ext. 2239



DON BOSCO

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.

Od 21. 2. 2016
Do 28. 2. 2016

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

2. POSTNA NEDELJA 21. FEBRUAR <i>Peter Damiani, škof</i>	za žive in rajne župljane † Francka Pust †† Verona in Štefan Prša, obl. OBČNI ZBOR - GENERAL MEETING	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M.	Družina Pust Joe in Kathy Prša Upper Parish Hall
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 22. FEBRUAR <i>Sedež apostola Petra</i>	† Sidonija Drvarič †† Verona in Štefan Prša, obl. †† Verona in Štefan Prša, obl.	7:00 P.M.	Hči Sidonia z družino Stanko Žerdin Cecilija Sobočan
TOREK - TUESDAY 23. FEBRUAR <i>Polikarp, šk.muč.</i>	Za verne duše v vicah	8:00 A.M.	N.N.
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 24. FEBRUAR <i>Matija, apostol</i>	† Matija Vlašič † Jože Jerman † Marija Mes † Milka Kastelic	7:00 P.M.	Družina Kuzma Družina Kuzma hči Amalija Štadler Slomškovo oltarno društvo
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 25. FEBRUAR <i>Alojzij in Kalist, muč.</i>	Za zdravje Silve † Vid Kastelic †† Pokojni iz družine Kološa † Vid Kastelic	7:00 P.M.	Nevenka G. z družino Ivan Kastelic z družino Majda Salajko Pevci mešanega zbora
PETEK - FRIDAY 26. FEBRUAR <i>Aleksander(Branko),šk.</i>	KRIŽEV POT † Mila Mozetič † Stanly Knaus †† Matthew in Frank Čurič	6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Manja Erzetič Gerda Žekš Gizella in Štefan Ray
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 27. FEBRUAR <i>Gabrijel Žalostne Mater Božje, red.</i>	† Paul Richard Novak †† Franc in Jožefa Majzelj † Irma Gomboc	9:15 A.M. 5:30 P.M.	Jožica in Pavel Novak Sin Franc z družino Monika Gašpar z družino
3. POSTNA NEDELJA 28. FEBRUAR <i>Ožbolt, škof</i>	za žive in rajne župljane † Anton Vogrinc † Vinko Kovič † Marija Grebenc BAZAAR - CWL - KŽZ	MASS ONLY AT 10:00 A.M. 12:00	Hčekre Stojanka Zečevič Lojze in Peter Grebenc Parish Hall