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26. NEDELJA MED LETOM

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Zgrešena smer

Danes slišimo kako gospodar kliče na delo svoja dva sinova. Prvi pravi: Grem, pa se premisli in ne gre. Drugi pravi: Ne grem, pa se pre-misli in gre. Koga je Jezus imel v mislih, je povedano v nadaljnjem besedilu. Mi pa se vprašamo, kaj hoče povedati nam.

Povedati nam hoče najprej, da nas Bog kliče na delo. Kdor se razume na vinograd, ve, da je delo v njem naporno in zahtevno. Treba je biti zraven z dušo in telesom, s pametjo in z rokami. Treba se je pripogibati in stegovati, mahati in podstavljati pleča, stopati po grudah, prenašati pripeko in bežati pred ploho. Vsakdo ima svojo vrsto in gospodar



zlahka presodi, kdo dela dobro in odgovorno, kdo slabo in površno.

Povedati pa nam hoče tudi, naj delamo v vinogradu, ki je božji. Ne torej kjerkoli. Spoštovanje, ki ga je človek nekoč izkazoval Bogu, izkazuje sebi; čas, ki ga je nekoč porabil za Boga, porablja zase; vedno manj se sprašuje, kaj je božja volja in vedno bolj uveljavlja svojo voljo. Podoben je sinu, ki se je naveličal očetovega vinograda. Sam hoče odločati, kje in kaj bo delal.

Dokler obrnjenost v svet pomeni človekov napor, da zagospoduje nad prirodo in ob tem razvije svojo osebnost, je na pravi poti. Izpolnjuje zapoved iz raja, naj si podvrže zemljo in naj ji gospoduje. Če pa gre sekularizacija za tem, da se izneveri Bogu kot lastniku tega širokega vinograda, ji evangelij pove, daje njena smer zgrešena.

Bog spoštuje našo svobodo. Z našim delom v vinogradu zna veliko potrpeti in marsikaj za nami popravlja. Razume našo omahljivost in nestanovitnost. Daje nam celo možnost, da se premislimo in gremo. Ne more pa se odreči očetovskega razmerja do nas in lastninske pravice do vinograda.



V nedeljo, 18. septembra je naša župnija praznovala svojega zavetnika. Začeli smo z daritvijo svete maše, ki jo je vodil g. Anton Rozmarič. Pri maši je sodeloval naš župnijski mešani pevski zbor, družina Davida Antolina je prinesla darove. Po maši smo se zbrali v naši dvorani, kjer smo nadaljevali s dobrim prazničnim kosilom. Vmes so se na platnu vrstile slike iz življenja naše župnije od lanskega praznovanja naprej. Ob koncu nam je plesna skupina Soča, pod vodstvom Davida, Mateje in Mateja zaplesala običaj za »Gregorjevo« iz Poljanske doline v Beli krajini, »Ptičji pir«.Hvala župnijskemu svetu, vsem nastopajočim, kuharicam in mladim, ki so stregli in vsem, ki ste se udeležili našega slavja.





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Sunday's Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Ezekiel 18:25-28

God speaks to the prophet Ezekiel. Though the people of Israel accuse God of being unjust to them, it is they who commit injustice. Those who have sinned but repent and change their ways will have life.

Second Reading Philippians 2:1-11

St Paul calls his readers to be united. They must not compete but must think of others before themselves. Paul encourages them to try to be like Christ in their own minds.

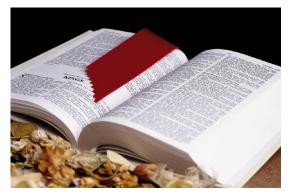
Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus tells the story of a man with two sons, whom he asks to work in his vineyard. One says yes and does not go; the other says no but then does go. Jesus says that tax collectors and sinners are making their way to heaven ahead of religious people who heard but did not believe.

> "When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him."

Illustration

The last novel that Jane Austen wrote was called Persuasion. It is less well known than her Pride and Prejudice and Sense and Sensibility, but it continues Jane Austen's great theme of love triumphing over social conventions. In Persuasion the heroine, Anne Elliot, regrets breaking off an engagement eight years earlier to a young naval officer, Frederick Wentworth. When she meets him again she becomes aware of how she had been foolishly persuaded to give him up by those around her. Then, she was the daughter of a wealthy baronet, and he was a poor sailor. Her



friends and family warned her away from marrying a man who was not worthy of her status. By the time the novel begins, her family has fallen upon hard times through her own father's foolishness, whilst her ex-fiancé has become a wealthy and successful captain.

The novel details how they meet again and shows how awkward their communication is. Neither talks about their feelings and they both try to avoid one another. As the novel progresses, Anne's regret becomes all the greater as she admires Captain Wentworth more. Eventually he is persuaded that she still loves him when he overhears her in conversation with a friend. He reveals his true feelings and they finally marry.

On one hand the novel is a romance, but it is also a clever and witty exposé of the morals and manners of its time. It shows how society is primarily concerned with status and wealth at the cost of feelings of love or happiness; and it shows this to lead to great social hypocrisy.

Gospel Teaching

In today's readings we are given our own bit of persuasion. The Gospel reading comes from the part of St Matthew's Gospel when Jesus is teaching in the Temple in Jerusalem. He has just thrown out the dealers and is being grilled by the most important members of the Jewish priesthood. Their agenda is to prove Jesus wrong and to get rid of him. Jesus represents a danger to their status and to their understanding of how religion is meant to be. In the parable and its explanation, Jesus makes clear what the role of the chief priests is – they are the ones who say they will do their Father's bidding but do not do it. Instead it is the tax collectors and prostitutes who hear the words of Jesus and change their ways. They do what the Father asks.

You can almost hear the frustration in Jesus' voice as he reminds his listeners that John the Baptist had come to them, but they did not believe him. And now they have the Son of God before them; and all they want to do is destroy him.

In today's reading from St Paul's letter to the people of Philippi, Paul tries to persuade his readers to change their ways too. Paul uses Christ's love as a tool to persuade them to become like Christ by putting other people first. Loving Christ is not just a two-way relationship between one person and Christ. It is a relationship that opens the hearts of those who believe, so that instead of showing love just to Christ, they learn to show love to everybody.

Application

It can be tempting, when hearing today's Gospel, to feel a little superior. We are not like the chief priests. We believe in Jesus and we follow him. But if we really examine our lives, we will find times when we fall short of what Jesus has called us to be.

In our society, we are not likely to be executed for our faith like Jesus or John the Baptist or St Paul all were. We can believe without our lives being in danger. There is a different danger for us: the danger of complacency, of being so comfortable in the practice of our faith that we neglect to let it have a real effect on the way we live and treat other people. Yet, if we are truly to follow Jesus, we are called to do the work he asks us to do, loving one another.

St Paul says, "If there is...any solace in love, ...complete my joy by being...united in heart." Paul's letter may have been originally intended for the Christian community living in Philippi, but its powerful message still speaks to us here today. It is just as much a letter to each one of us as to that original church in Philippi. Are we willing to be persuaded by love?



Slovenian School has now started and runs every Saturday from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. We have many children returning and lots of new students just starting.

Darlene Kobe is teaching Kindergarten and Level 1. **Mateja Mihelčič** is teaching levels 2 and 3. **Sandy Allen** is teaching Levels 4-7. **Fr. Drago** is teaching religion and singing.

This is a great opportunity for children of Slovenian descent to learn about their language, heritage and culture. It's still not too late to register! All children in Senior Kindergarten and older are welcome.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKI ZBOR

Hvala pevcem za lepo petje pri maši ob praznovanju našega zavetnika. Pevske vaje bodo v četrtek po večerni maši. Zbor bo pel pri maši 9. oktobra.

DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA



• Octoberfest in Kitchener -* Sat. Oct. 15th *\$50. Per person* Special package includes: visit to St. Jacob, Sava Club - admission, dinner, dancing to a great band, coach, tax and gratuities. Avoid disappointment and make

reservations now with payment only (cheque payable to St. Joseph Society or cash) by contacting Jerry Ponikvar @ 333-5813 or Frank Erzar @ 905-643-0285. Flier in Church rack.

The bus will depart at 12 Noon!

• Cleveland Annual Polkafest * Nov. 24-26th * Reservations are now being accepted. Package -\$300. per person includes coach, 2 nights at the Cleveland Marriott Hotel, all the Polka party admission tickets, Awards Show, Hospitality Room welcome with food and drinks, two breakfast brunches and 2 dinners , shopping . A great weekend of fun! For reservations and to make payment by cheque to St. Joseph Society or cash, by contacting Jerry Ponikvar at 333-5813 or Frank Erzar 643-0285. Flier in Church rack.

SLOVENIAN CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIP/BURSARY Awards

The Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation will hold its 15th annual Banquet on Saturday, October 22rd, 2011 at St. Gregory Slovenian Parish Banquet Centre – Hamilton. Reception at 5:30 PM with banquet commencing at 6 PM. sharp. The 2011 Bursaries and Scholarships recipients will be recognized and presented with their awards.

Tickets for the banquet – dinner/dance are \$40.00 for adults and \$25.00 for students. An income tax receipt will be issued for the portion of the ticket that supports the scholarships and bursaries. Dancing music will feature "Brajda". All are welcome to attend!

For table or tickets and information call: *Robert Letnik @ 905-973-1501; *Karl Ferko @905-578-5690, *Ed Kodarin @ 905-309-4050

FOLKLORNA SKUPINA »VENEC«

Folklorna skupina "VENEC" began last year with a new idea of joining communities, friends and family together for the enjoyment of folklore and fun! Many interested and enthusiastic adults came out from throughout southern Ontario to establish this group.

We would like to extend a special invitation for all to come out to the first practice of the new season, on **Sunday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm here at St. Gregory's.** This year we will be continuing with costuming, dance, song and performances. For more information, contact 905.664.5980 or email to <u>slovfolk@yahoo.ca</u>

ETHNIC MASS AT THE CHATEDRAL

The Ethnic Parishes of the Diocese of Hamilton cordially invite you to attend this special celebration: Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, with Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, as Celebrant **Sunday, October 2nd, 2011 at 1:30 PM** at The Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton.

DAROVI

Za rože v cerkvi je darovala \$50 Manja Erzetič, za cerkev, v spomin na Ludvika Zidarja, sta \$300 darovala Lui in Marija Grebenc. Iskrena hvala za vse darove.

OKLICI - POROKA

V soboto, 1. oktobra se bosta v naši cerkvi poročila ženin William Allen CROWLEY, sin očeta Terry in matere Crystal Bartley in nevesta, Elizabeth Kathryn ŠTEFANEC, hči Milana Štefanec in Marije Pirc.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu oktobru bo večna luč gorela za pokojnega Janeza Žvana, po namenu žene Marije in družine.

SVETA MAŠA

V ponedeljek, 26. septembra bo večerna sveta maša potem ko pridemo domov iz romanja na Baragove dneve.

OBISK ŠKOFA URANA

V petek, 23. septembra nas je obiskal bivši ljubljanski nadškof **Alojzij Uran** skupaj z osmimi romarji iz Slovenije. Ob štirih popoldne je daroval sveto mašo in pri homiliji povedal nekaj vzpod ob življenju patra Pija. Udeležil se bo, kot uradni zastopnik slovenske škofovske konference, tudi Baragovih dni v škofiji Gaylord, Michigan.



It gives **»ANSAMBEL ŠIBAJ**« great pleasure to extend an invitation to party with Ansambel Šibaj on a bus trip to Montreal to celebrate Folklorna Skupina Marjetice 15 year anniversary at St. Vladimir Church Hall.

Bus leaves early **Saturday October 22nd, 2011** (pick up at Hamilton and Toronto) arriving in Montreal early afternoon with some free time to spend in Montreal before the dance, which starts at 6 pm. On Sunday we will have breakfast provided by the hotel, some more free time, lunch and then depart back to arrive home by dinnertime! We will be staying @ The Hotel Universal located across from Olympic Stadium.

Maxima Tours has put together all the travel/ hotel arrangments.

Cost for trip includes: Bus/hotel with breakfast (on Sunday) and entrance/dinner to dance for \$195.00 per person. Come join us!

For more info contact Brian Pavlic (905)643-7394 or cell (905) 978-1827.



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SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

MASSES MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:00 P.M., SATURDAY 8:15 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.

NEDELJA - SUNDAY 25. September 26. Nedelja med letom <i>Sergij, menih</i>	† †	za žive in rajne žup <u>l</u> Darinka Ferletič Steve Booth	9:30 A.I	и. Mož Milan in hči Sandy z družino и. Zdravko in Milica Ribič
Ponedeljek - Monday 26. September Kozma in Damijan	Ť	Ivan Dobršek	Maša bo ko pridemo iz Baragovega romanja	SDB
Torek - Tuesday 27. September <i>Vincenicj, ust. Lazaris</i> .	† †	Po namenu Jožef Kuzmič Kardinal Alojzij Aml		и. Slomškovo oltarno društvo Društvo Sv. Jožefa Družina Demšar
Sreda - Wednesday 28. September <i>Venčeslav, muč</i> .	† †	Karl Volčanšek Marija Malevič, obl.		м. Družina Albano Sin Martin z družino
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 29. SEPTEMBER Mihael, Gabrijel, Rafael, nadangeli	† † †† †	Jožefa Kastelic Darinka Ferletič Elizabeta in Mihael Kardinal Alojzij Aml	Sušec	м. John in Olga Kastelic Elizabeta Farkaš Družina Hozjan Manja Erzetič z družino
PETEK - FRIDAY 30. SEPTEMBER <i>Hieronim duh c.uč</i> .	† † †	Branko Jezovnik August Žalik Jože Kastelic	7:00 p.1	и. Jožica Vlašič z družino Štefan Petek z družino Manja Erzetič
Sobota - Saturday 01. Oktober <i>Terezija D.J., dev</i> .	† †† †† †	Za varstvo nerojenil Janez Žvan, obl. Starši Žvan Starši Štros Apolonija Gjerek	h otrok 8:15 A.I 5:30 P.I	_{M.} N:N: M. Žena Marija Žvan z družino Družina Žvan Hčerka Marija Žvan z družino Terezija Prša z družino
NEDELJA - SUNDAY O2. OKTOBER 27. NEDELJA MED LETOM Rožnovenska Angeli varuhi	† † †	za žive in rajne župļ Viktorija in Marta Blaž Čulig Ivan Mertuk Pokojni člani društv IMMIGRANT'S DAY I	9:30 A.I 11:00 A.I ra Triglav 1:00 P.I	м. Sestra Zorka Rev z družino м. Prijatelji Branko in Slavi Salajko Družina Mertuk м. MAŠA: DVORANA TRIGLAV м. MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Ponedeljek/Monday – Petek/Friday: 7:00 P.M. Sobota/Saturday: 8:15 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.