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JEZUSOV KRST

**BAPTISM
OF THE LORD**

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Večina od nas je ne spominja svojega krsta, smo pa bili večkrat priča krsta drugih. Krst o katerem danes govorimo ni bil kot naši običajni krsti. Bila so navzoča posebna znamenja: Sveti Duh v podobi goloba in božji glas.

Pa vendar je bil ob našem krstu navzoč prav ist Sveti Duh in Bog je tudi vsakemu izmed nas izrekel besede: »Ti si moj ljubljeni otrok nad katerim imam veselje«.

Tudi mi smo ustvarjeni po božji podobi in pri krstu se nam izbriše izvirni greh. Vendar pa to ne pomeni, da bomo v življenju obvarovani pred trpljenjem. Imamo pa zagotovilo, da bo božja milost z nami v vseh preizkušnjah.

Staršem je bila pri krsta zaupana sveča, ki so jo prejeli z besedami: Ta luč je zaupana vam, da bi otrok, ki ga je razsvetlila Kristusova luč, vedno hodil v tej luči in da bo ta luč vedno svetla v njegovem srcu.

Drugi dar, ki nam je bil podarjen ob krstu pa je moč svetega Duha, ki je bila razlita na nas, da nas ozdravlja in napravlja svobodne, da bi tako spoznavali Resnico Jezusa Kristusa.

Vprašajmo se, kako jaz v svojem življenju odgovarjam na milost, prejeto pri krstu. Krst ni samo enkraten dogodek, ampak ga je potrebno iz dneva v dan obnavljati v svojem srcu in življenju. Kako naj živim, da ga bom ljubil v vsem srcem, z vso dušo in z vsem mišljenjem in ljubil tudi blišnjega vse dni svojega življenja.



NOVLETNO PRAZNOVANJE V HAMILTONU

Župnijski svet je organiziral in izpeljal silvestrovjanje. Res da je bila udeleža manjša od lanskega leta, pa je ob dobri organizaciji, okusni hrani in glasbi ansambla Golden Keys, praznovanje v zadovoljstvu vseh prisotnih lepo uspelo. Vsakdo, ki je želel, si je našel dovolj prostora na plesišču, da se je zavrtel ob prijetnih melodijah ansambla. Kar nekaj sponzorjev je prispevalo za dobitke, mladi so postregli na mize, tudi pijače ni mankalo in ob polnoči so tudi pokajoči baloni naznanili začetek novega leta.

Dobiček pri novoletnem praznovanju je bil: \$2682.97. Hvala še enkrat članom župnijskega sveta in vsem, ki ste pomagali in se



VELEPOSANIŠTVO OTTAWA

Vsako leto se duhovniki slovenkih župnij v Kanadi srečamo okrog božičnih praznkov z Veleposlanikom Tomažem Kunslejem. Najprej smo se dogovorili za december 2010, a je bilo srečanje zaradi slabega vremena prestavljeni, tako smo se zbrali v ponedeljek 3. januarja 2011. Pridružili so se še: Pavle Novak / vizitator Lazaristov/, Jože Slobodnik, častni generalni konzul z ženo in Jože Kastelic. Ob prijateljskem pogovoru in dobremu kosišu, ki sta ga pripravila gostitelja, smo si izmenjali izkušnje iz preteklega leta in podali priporočila in predloge za delo naprej. Srečanje smo zaključili z obhajanjem evharistije in se Bogu zahvalili za blagoslov pri delu za Slovensko skupnost v Kanadi.



THE CATHOLIC GIRLS CLUB

The Catholic Girls Club is excited to announce that we will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday January 29th here at our parish in the upper Hall. Dinner will be served continuously between 6:30pm and 8:30pm. Tickets will be available before and after each mass beginning next weekend. Dinner Tickets will cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under, kids 2 and under are free. Our Girls Club is looking forward to organizing and preparing this spaghetti dinner and we will appreciate all the support we can get.

We look forward to seeing you at our spaghetti dinner where we can have dinner with family and friends and help raise some money for children's charities. Girls ... Remember ... we have a meeting this Friday January 14th at 7:30pm to organize our Spaghetti Dinner details.

All Catholic Girls Club members welcome - and this week - bring your moms, we're going to need their help!

New Members between the ages of 10-16 Always Welcome!



Sunday's Readings

Baptism of the Lord

First Reading *Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7*

God's chosen one reveals a character of gentleness, courage and justice.

Second Reading *Acts 10:34-38*

God has no favourites. The Good News of Christ is for everyone.

Gospel *Matthew 3:13-17*

By his baptism Jesus begins his public ministry, identifies himself with people's need for God, and receives the Father's approval.

"This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him."



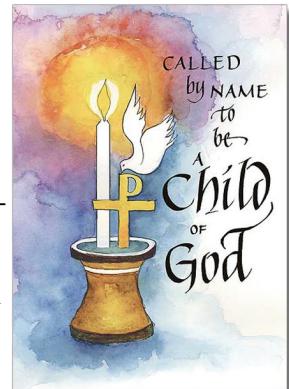
Illustration

For once in his life John the Baptist found himself at a loss for words. He stared in amazement at the figure of Jesus standing calmly before him and asking to be baptised.

When he recovered sufficiently to speak, he said, "It is I who need baptism from you, and yet you come to me!" Jesus' reply, "Leave it like this for the time being," was reassuring. John overcame his hesitation and gave way. The two men

walked with purpose into the waters of the Jordan. Behind the sight of the desert prophet baptising Jesus lay the incredible fact that John was baptising his Lord.

The incident took place in the midst of a religious revival. Once again a prophet appeared in Israel proclaiming in a voice of thunder the coming of the Messiah and the need for repentance.



Gospel Teaching

John, for all his courage and virtue, did not have the fullness of the Gospel. His teaching focused on God as a God of justice, and just before the verses we read today he had warned against an attempt to "fly from the retribution that is coming". John's teaching appears to contrast with Jesus' view of God as the loving heavenly Father who cares for each individual, someone to be trusted rather than feared.

Why, then, did Jesus go to John? More importantly, why did he ask for baptism since he was sinless and had no need to repent?

The answer is that Jesus wanted to identify himself with sinful humanity and its need for God. He would later be accused of being "the friend of sinners" and eventually die for them on a cross between two criminals.

At his baptism, as the water trickled down his face, Jesus experienced two mysterious signs that were to change his life. They were the divine call to begin his life's mission as saviour of the world. He would be equipped for this task with the power of the Holy Spirit. He saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending in the form of a dove and coming down on him. The dove was a symbol of God's creative power, and a sign of God's new creation after the flood in the time of Noah.

There was also the voice of the heavenly Father, which spoke the words: "This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him." They recall words of the prophet Isaiah, who centuries earlier had written of the mysterious figure known as the Suffering Servant: "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have endowed him with my spirit that he may bring true justice to the nations."

It was a great and decisive moment for Jesus. He was identified by God as God's Son and consecrated for his mission to save the world. He accepted the mission and would one day be ready to offer himself as a living sacrifice for the sins of humanity. But death would not have the final say. He would be victorious through his resurrection and would become the giver of new life to those who accept him by faith.

Application

Each one of us is called to share the new life of the risen Christ. Baptism gives us this new life; it also gives us a share in Christ's priesthood. Jesus, by offering the gift of himself on behalf of others, became the high priest of humanity, bringing people to God and God to people. By our baptism we share in his priestly mission to bring others to God. How can we do this?

It is clear that today parish priests and ministers cannot manage alone. They cannot reach out to everyone in their area. Each and every one of us is called to witness to Christ by our words and actions.

Why are there so few converts to Christianity in our affluent Western society? Some blame today's materialism, others say it is because of confusion caused by suffering and scandals. Perhaps part of the truth is that often Christians do not try hard enough. We may have good suggestions for spreading the faith; but all too often we neglect to think about how we ourselves can do just that. Today let us rediscover the meaning and value of our own baptism. The Gospel calls us to try to see Christ in others. But do we sometimes forget to see him in ourselves, as the source of our strength?

SARJAŠ PASCAL - ZAHVALA

V teh dneh smo imeli izrednega gosta in pomočnika, gospoda Pascala Sarjaša iz Francije, brata našega farana Alojza Sarjaša. Hvala za njegovo pomoč lepo besedo pri angleških mašah. Včasih je tudi kakša nepričakovana pomoč zelo dobrodošla. Srečno pot domov.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKI ZBOR

Pevske vaje za zbor bomo zopet začeli v četrtek 13. januarja po večerni maši. Naslednjič pojemo pri maši 30. januarja.

FOLKLORNI SKUPINI

Folkorna skupina VENEC will hold the next practices of the new year on Sundays, January 9th and 30th at 2pm.

Otroška folkorna skupina SOČA will begin practices on Wednesday, January 12th at 7pm. Practice dates will change to Saturdays immediately after Slovenska šola. New members are welcome!

Both folklore groups would like to thank our Slovenian community for their support and contributions to the groups. SREČNO V NOVEM LETU 2011 - HAPPY NEW YEAR 2011!

CWL - KŽZ

Important Notice: St. Gregory the Great Catholic Women's League Annual Parish Bazaar will be held on Sunday Feb.27. A date change had to be made to accommodate and maintain our Slovenian tradition of Pustovanje. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year where we depend on all of our membership to contribute to its success to the best of their abilities. It is our responsibility as league sisters to help one another reach our goal of hosting a successful bazaar. Also and equally important we could not be successfull without the support of our parish members, their families and friends. We will be working hard over the next few months to create a fun afternoon for all to share and enjoy eachothers company.

At this time we would also kindly ask for



your consideration to donating **new Penny Sale and Raffle table items** that you may have purchased or crafted.

Lottery Tickets: Our lottery tickets are ready for purchase at all Sunday masses from Pamela Gognach and Angela Kobe. We kindly ask for your support by purchasing our lottery tickets. All monies raised from the sales are directly donated to our parish.

Membership Fees are due and collection envelopes have been distributed. Please return these with the \$14 fee at your earliest convenience in our Sunday collection basket or to Teresa Sarjas. New membership is always welcomed!! Please speak with Teresa, Sidonia Poppa or any league member for information or come and attend any monthly general meeting held the first Wednesday of the month.

OGNJIŠČE - NAROČNINA

Prosimo če čimprej obnovite naročnino za Ognjišče. Letna naročnina za leto 2011 je \$70.

KIPI SV. DRUŽINE

Tisti, ki ste naročili kipce sv. Družine, pa jih še niste dvignili, so sedaj prišli in jih lahko dobite v zakristiji.

POKOJNI

V nedeljo, 2. januarja je v Sloveniji v Ljubljani v starostnem domu, v 97. letu starosti umrla MIHELA ŠUŠTARŠIČ, polsestra naše faranke Monike Gašpar. Pokojno Mihelo so pokopali 9. januarja v Velikih Laščah. Zanjo smo v četrtek zvečer opravili mašo zadušnico. Iskreno sožalje Moniki in tudi vsem sorodnikom Pokojna Mihela pa naj uživa večni mir in pokoj.

KRST

Zakrament svetega krsta je prejel ETHAN JAMES PARRY. Iskrene čestitke očetu Jamesu in materi Christine ob krstu njunega otroka. Naj mu bosta vedno dober zgled in vzgojitelja v veri in ljubezni.



KOLEDAR ZA JANUAR - FEBRUAR

- ❖ 9. januar 2011- nedelja: **JEZUSOV KRST**
- ❖ 16. januar 2011- nedelja: **2. Nedelja med letom.** Sv. Maša v klubu SAVA - Breslav ob 12:00 in v Londonu, cerkev St. John the Divine ob 4:00 p.m.
- ❖ 29. januar - sobota: **Spaghetti Dinner** at our parish in the upper Hall - 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Pripravlja in organizira Catholic Girls Club
- ❖ 30. januar 2011- nedelja: **4. Nedelja med letom ; praznik SV. JANEZA BOSKA**, ustanovitelja Salezijanske družbe. Obenem je to tudi tik pred Svečnico.—Jezusovo darovanje v templju. Pri maši poje cerkveni zbor.
- ❖ 5. februar 2011– sobota: **PREŠERNOV VEČER - kulturni dan.** V naši dvorani bo praznovanje kulturnega dneva za Toronto-Hamilton. Nastopa skupina glasbenih umetnikov /trije tenoristi/ iz Slovenije imenovana **EROIKA.** Sodelovali bodo tudi umetniki iz Kanade.

URAD ZA SLOVENCE PO SVETU

Dragi Slovenci po svetu, dragi prijatelji, v letu

2011 bo Republika Slovenija praznovala 20 let samostojnosti. Slovenske organizacije, društva, vse Slovence in prijatelje Slovenije vabimo na **skupno srečanje Slovencev »DOBRODOŠLI DOMA«, ki bo potekalo 1. julija 2011 v Ljubljani.**

V centru mesta se bodo predstavila slovenska društva, slovenski mediji in druge organizacije Slovencev, nastopale bodo glasbene, plesne, in odrške skupine, potekale bodo tudi kulturne delavnice, izobraževalne predstavitve in športne igre.



Vabljeni torej na ogled projektov in vizij, ki jih imajo Slovenci iz vsega sveta. Skupno praznovanje in druženje Slovencev vseh generacij je obenem odličen razlog, da pobliže spoznate Slovenijo. V ta namen je Slovenska turistična organizacija pripravila turistične aranžmaje za vse štiri letne čase po posebno ugodnih cenah. Podrobnejše informacije o paketih najdete na spletni povezavi <http://www.slovenia.info/homecoming>.

Vse informacije o prireditvi bodo objavljene na spletnih straneh Urada Vlade RS za Slovence v zamejstvu in po svetu <http://www.uszs.gov.si>, portalu za Slovence v zamejstvu in po svetu <http://www.slovenci.si> ter na spletnem mestu ob 20. obletnici samostojnosti Republike Slovenije <http://www.dvajset.si>, kjer bodo objavljeni tudi vsi drugi dogodki, ki bodo potekali v okviru obeležitve te okrogle obletnice tečega leta.

V petek, **1. julija 2011**, se bomo videli, spoznali, nasmejali, zaplesali in poklepali na ulicah in trgih v centru Ljubljane! Vaš Urad Vlade RS za Slovence v zamejstvu in po svetu

KONZULARNE URE

V Hamiltonu bodo **konzularne ure** 5. februarja 2011 popoldne, če ne bo kakšne spremembe, od 4:00 do 6:00 p.m. Za to priložnost bo med nami Luka Kovačec, ki pride tudi na Prešernov kulturni večer, ki bo tisto sobot v naši dvorani.



OD 09. 01. 2011
Do 16. 01. 2011

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

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

NEDELJA - SUNDAY		za žive in rajne župljane	9:30 A.M.
09. JANUAR	†	Ivan Dobršek	Toni in Marija Franc
JEZUSOV KRST	††	iz družine Kovač	11:00 A.M. Jožef in Verona Tompa
<i>Julijan, mučenec</i>			
PONEDELJEK - MONDAY	††	pokojni farani	7:00 P.M. Frank in Betty Gimpelj
10. JANUAR	†	Stane Kanc	Družina Franc Kapušin
<i>Gregor Niški, šk.</i>	†	Alojz Kornhauzer	Gizela Hauzar
	†	Marija Čop	Manja Erzetič
TOREK - TUESDAY	†	Verona Smodiš	7:00 P.M. Matilda in Štefan Ritlop
11. JANUAR	†	Pavla Horvat	Prijatelji Barbara in Luke Diklie
<i>Pavlin Oglejski, šk.</i>	†	Jožef Ftičar Jr.	Družina Hull
	†	Dragica Bolko, 30. dan	Matila Prša
	†	Alojzija Novak, 30. dan	Frank Novak z družino
SREDA - WEDNESDAY	†	Marjan Tkalec	Mirko Zorko
12. JANUAR	††	Družina Codognatto	Družina Kastelic
<i>Tatjana, mučenka</i>	†	Janez Elijaš	Margareta Pergar
	†	Dragica Bolko	John Žunič
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY	††	oče Franc in brat Franc	7:00 P.M. Karel Volčanšek
13. JANUAR	††	Anton in Antonia Vinčec	Toni Vinčec
<i>Veronika, devica</i>	†	Franc Kregar	Francka Cestnik
	†	Alojzija Novak	Manja Erzetič
PETEK - FRIDAY	†	Pavla Horvat	7:00 P.M. Marija Košir
14. JANUAR	†	Lojze Pozderec, obl.	Julija Sagadin z družino
<i>Oton, red.</i>	†	Jože Kovač	Sestra Ljudmila Zadravec z druž.
	†	Franc Antolin	Brat Štefan z družino
SOBOTA - SATURDAY	†	Ivan Dobršek	8:15 A.M. Ivan in Veronika Obal
15. JANUAR	†	Florian Miklavčič	5:30 P.M. Dragica
<i>Mihej in Habakuk</i>	†	Zofija Vinčec, 3. obl.	Mož Toni Vinčec
	††	starši	Marija Košir
NEDELJA - SUNDAY	††	za žive in rajne župljane	9:30 A.M.
16. JANUAR	††	Renata, Ivan in Angela Zorko	Marija in Ignac Korošec
2. NEDELJA MED LETOM	†	Annie Rainer	11:00 A.M. Veronika Čurič
<i>Marcel, pp.</i>	†	Po namenih društva Sava	12:00 NOON Sava - Breslav
	†	Po namenih društva Triglav	4:00 P.M. St. John the Divine - London



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.

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