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**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF  
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## Na poti v Emavs

Zgodba, ki jo pripoveduje današnji evangelij, nam je znana. Dva razočarana in prestrašena Jezusova učenca zapuščata Jeruzalem. Spotoma se jima pridruži »neznan tujec«. Potožita mu, kaj jima teži srce. On ju tolaži. Kako? Najprej verjetno čisto po človeško. Mučno zadevo bo treba preboleti in prespati. Čas, ki celi vse rane, bo zacelil tudi njuno.



Tujec pa ni ostal pri tej tolažbi. Vprašal je sopotnika, ali se kaj razumeta v pisma. Nekoliko že, saj sta Juda, dobro poučena v postavi. Se spomnita, da bi bilo kaj od tega, kar se je te dni dogajalo v Jeruzalemu, v pismih? Tega pa res ne vesta. Začel jima je razlagati. Bolj je razlagal, bolj sta čutila, kako nepopolno in nezadostno je bilo njuno razumevanje Mojzesa in prerokov. Kar nerodno jima je postalo. Tujčeva razlaga jima je odstirala nov svet, nov smisel vsega, kar je bilo zapisano. Česa takšnega nista še nikdar slišala. Nepoznano veselje se je naselilo vanju. Neuspeh in poraz, ki ga je doživel Jezus, je bil napovedan, potreben. Ni se zgodil na slepo, po čudnem in nesrečnem naključju, temveč po načrtu, po božjem načrtu. Jezus je šel po poti, po kateri je moral iti. Navidezno po poti poraza, v resnici pa po poti zmage in slave.

Srce jima je gorelo, ko sta vse to poslušala. Škoda, da so pred njimi že prve emavske hiše. Še bolj pa jima je srce zagorelo, ko sta v tujcu spoznala Jezusa. Vsa navdušena sta pohitela v Jeruzalem in v eni sapi pravila enajsterim in drugim zbranim, kaj sta doživela.

Pisma govorijo tudi o nas. Mi smo v njih, naše čase in sedanje dogodke zajemajo. Kristus tudi danes po svojih in naših porazih in zmagah stopa v svojo in našo zmago in slavo. Odtod moč in lepota pisem. Če ne bomo preveč počasni za njihovo razumevanje, bodo ogrevala in bogatila tudi naša srca.

## BISHOP CROSBY'S MESSAGE FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK, MAY 2-6, 2011

Dear Supporters of Catholic Education,

Catholic Education Week is an occasion for us to acknowledge and celebrate the excellence of our Catholic educational institutions at all levels. We are justly proud of what has been achieved and note how the broader community also looks to us as a valued component in the ongoing struggle against ignorance, prejudice and phobias of various kinds. We know how education raises people up from poverty, from indignity, from an aimless and directionless manner of life. It imparts confidence, self-respect and hope, that hope which Pope Benedict so admirably describes for us in his Encyclical "Spe Salvi".

In our joy we must always recall that 'we stand on the shoulders of giants'. Catholic Education is the fruit of much historical sacrifice and dedication on the part of our forebears in the Ontario Catholic Community. We think of the humble beginnings of the school system in our Province: the selfless commitment and zeal of those early pioneers in the field, the succession of visionary Bishops, the female and male Religious, the laymen and women who rightly looked upon teaching as a vocation and a high calling which is essentially oblation in nature. They knew what it meant to prepare young people to become not just good citizens but leaders in Canadian society. Immigrant parents from many countries understood that, for their children to thrive and succeed in a new land, they must be equipped with the skills of literacy, numeracy and a sense of sound moral values. The commitment of the Church to Education throughout the centuries and in all nations has been based on the desire to impart the "scientias et virtutes": not just the very best practices and highest standards in the various

disciplines of academic study – the "sciences", but also a rounded formation of the whole person illuminated by Faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ – the Christian virtues or "virtutes".

In today's very diverse and multicultural social context there are those who, mistakenly in my view, contend that adherence to certain Christian virtues is somehow old-fashioned or even alien to contemporary secular sensibilities. The virtue of chastity is a case in point. For this reason the Bishops of Canada have reminded all Catholics of the enduring and unchanging teaching of the Gospel as to the meaning of human sexuality. Let everyone know that all Christians, married or single, young or old, whatever their condition of life, are called to respect and live out the

virtue of chastity. We are only too aware of our humanity and our frailty: in the words of St. Paul "the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak". Catholics know the place of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the life of each believer and find solace in the forgiveness which is celebrated in that interface between Christian expectation and our own limitations and failures.

As we look not just to the past but into the future, let us resolve to remain faithful to the "Traditio Fidei" – the handing on of the Faith – which underpins our system of schooling and our whole self-understanding as forward-looking, educated Roman Catholics and leaders in the mainstream of Canadian life.

I take the occasion to encourage each one of you in your efforts to build up the Kingdom of God here in our beloved Diocese and I am grateful to be working closely with all who are engaged in the promotion and enhancement of Catholic Education.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate,  
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton





FS SOCA played an important role last Sunday with its 'Folklore' mass dedicated to a number of past members. On this occasion, a special folklore flag was created that will be used at festivities and events. The shawl for this flag is one that was worn by our member, Tommy Langenfus, and we are proud to have it as a memory to him, and all those who celebrated with us many years ago. This flag will be used by VENEC to continue its pursuit of unifying folklore members from various communities, including our own, here in Hamilton.

A special thanks: Over the last couple of weeks, the recently formed FS Venec group has held fundraisers through the sale of butare and a community breakfast. Both events were a great success. Dancers and their families worked tirelessly to help enliven our hall and church. These events would not have been a success without the support and donations of our community; your generosity is greatly appreciated. All money raised from these events will go towards the first set of costumes for VENEC. Much thanks to you all!

Special thanks to the following organizations and individuals, for their donations and support for our Breakfast fundraiser:

Costco, Durand Residence, E.D. Smith, Krek Slovenian Credit Union, Lococo's, MainWest Massage, Max Landscape, Slovenia Credit Union, Slovenski Park, George Szkurhan, St. Gregory the Great Church & a generous, anonymous donator.

## Sunday's Readings

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

#### **First Reading** Acts 2:14. 22-33

It is the feast of Pentecost and Peter preaches to the gathered crowds about the resurrection of Jesus.

#### **Second Reading** 1 Peter 1:17-21

It is through the blood of Jesus, whom God raised from the dead, that we now have faith in God.

#### **Gospel** Luke 24:13-35

Two disciples on the road to Emmaus are joined on the road by the risen Jesus, who explains the scriptures to them and helps them to make sense of his death and why it was necessary.

*“And their eyes were opened and they recognised him.”*

### Illustration

Tim was nine when the last of many foster-care placements began to break down and he was placed in a home where children received special care and help. Tim was a sad and angry young boy who, having been put into care by his mother when he was six, hated the world. He was often sullen and aggressive, though occasionally he revealed a wicked sense of humour and some sparkle.

During his time at the home, his carers would arrange for Tim to meet with his mother. Each time it would be the same. Tim would be excited, full of hope and plans, confident that this time things would be different and his mother would want him back. It was a very normal reaction for any child. Each time, however, the pain would be greater. Tim's mother would express her pleasure at seeing him, give him sweets and they would go

off for the day. Then it would end and Tim would return, agitated, withdrawn and angry, refusing to talk. His hopes and dreams were once more dashed. It took a great deal of being alongside him, listening to him and helping him to make sense of what had happened to him, before he could move on and begin to live with a different kind of hope.



On the road to Emmaus – Luke 24:13-35

### Gospel Teaching

Angry, dismayed, disappointed. These are all words that could be used to describe the two disciples travelling on the road to Emmaus whom we hear about in today's Gospel. When they are joined by a stranger, they cannot understand how he does not know of all that has happened, particularly in relation to the death of Jesus. They speak of their dashed hopes and their disappointment that this man they thought was going to change their lives is now dead. Life under Roman rule was not easy and in Jesus his followers had seen an opportunity for change. They had great hopes. So, when Jesus died, they didn't just lose a good friend, someone who really cared for them, they believed they had lost any hope of things being different.

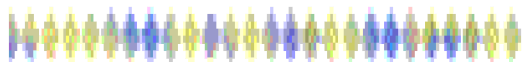
The apparent ignorance of the stranger only adds to their frustration. The stranger, however, having listened to their despair, helps them to make sense of their story. By his listening he respects them, empathises with them and, even though he believes they have been “slow to understand”, he takes time to explain to them why these

things have happened. As night falls the two disciples decide to rest and invite the man, still a stranger, to stay with them and to eat with them. He agrees and they invite him to bless their food. It is in the moment of blessing and breaking the bread that the disciples recognise their friend, Jesus. Suddenly life takes on a whole new meaning. Their eyes are opened and with understanding they see a way forward.

### Application

The loss of anyone important to us is always painful. A myriad of feelings emerge, often spontaneously and without warning: deep sadness, anger, despair, shock, numbness. It is difficult to see straight or to think clearly. We have to take deep breaths to hold ourselves together. Sometimes talking is not easy. We cannot find the right words to express our deep feelings and it can simply hurt too much. Sharing our experience is, however, an important part of being able to make sense of what has happened to us. It takes time, sometimes a long time, but if we have people who are willing to walk alongside us and support us during this time then slowly, gradually, life can take on a new meaning. Beginning to let go of what we had and seeing a new way of living without this important person is only the start. Healing takes a long time.

The journey the disciples make to Emmaus can be seen to symbolise the journey of faith that all of us are on. Sometimes we will experience darkness, and may have a sense that God has abandoned us. At other times, however, often retrospectively, we are able to see clearly where God has been with us, supporting us and guiding us. Reading the scriptures, joining the community to celebrate the Eucharist and seeking spiritual support from others are all key ways to help us make sense of the journey we are on, a journey of faith. It's not just about how these things help us personally – it is about breaking bread together so that we too may recognise Christ in our midst.



## GARAGE SALE - SLOVENSKA ŠOLA

◆ SLOVENSKA ŠOLA bo imela »GARAGE SALE« v soboto, 28. maja na cerkvenem parkirišču. Če imate doma kakšne reči (hišne stvari, slike, knjige, oblačila, igrače, itd.) katerih bi se radi znebili vas prosimo, da jih prispevate v ta namen in jih prinesete v razred za odrom, od 23. do 27. maja od 7:00 do 8:30 zvečer, ko bo ena od učiteljic v šoli, da prevzame vaše prispevke. Hvala za vašo dobro voljo in sodelovanje!

◆ The SLOVENIA SCHOOL will be holding a »GARAGE SALE« on Saturday, May 28 on the church parking lot. Should you have anything that you no longer need and want to get rid of (household items, clothing, books, pictures, chairs, tables, toys, etc.) please do not throw them away. Donate them to our Garage Sale.

You can bring your donations to Slovenian School from Monday, May 23rd to Friday, May 27th between 7 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. At least one of the teachers will be in the school each day at that time to accept your donations. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

## PRVO OBHAJILO - FIRST COMMUNION

V nedeljo, 29. maja, bodo med slovensko sveto mašo otroci prejeli Jezusa pri prvem svetem obhajilu. Če bo vreme lepo, se bomo zbrali, kot vedno, pri kipu Marije pomočnice.



Prvo pripravo bomo imeli v soboto, 14. maja ob 9:00 AM. Dogovorili se bomo za sodelovanje otrok in staršev. V soboto pa se bomo dogovorili glede priprave za naslednjo soboto.

Če še kdo ni prinesel prijavnice, naj jo čimprej izpolni.

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# OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## PEVSKI ZBOR

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Vaja za zbor bo v četrtek, 12. maja po večerni maši. Pojemo 29. maja, ko bo v župniji slovesnost prvega svetega obhajila.

## ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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The Slovenian Canadian Scholarship Foundation is holding its **Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 28, 2011 at Rockway Glen Golf Course** with a shot gun start sharp at 11AM, followed by the Banquet at Bled, Beamsville. Cost is \$125. per person and includes golf, cart, prizes, breakfast: kroffe and coffee and dinner. Applications are in the rack at the back of the Church. Contacts: Karl Ferko: 578-5890 or Teresa Zupancic: 664-6013. Prizes for the prize table are welcomed. We appreciate your support and participation for a good cause! Registration forms at the back of the Church in the rack!



## DRUŠTVO SV. JOŽEFA

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**Lancaster Region of Pennsylvania /Hershey & Bethlehem** – Join in the fun with the Slovenian Society of St. Joseph : **September 6-9, 2011**. Trip highlights include all of the sight seeing attraction, performance of "Joseph"- Millennium Theatre, tours, step on guide & meals: 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, accommodation, motor coach and gratuities. Also one night stay at the new Sands Casino Hotel with \$30 free

play. Subsidized package per person: \$685 (dbl), \$655 (tpl).

For reservations-minimum deposit of \$150. and balance by July 22. Cheques payable to Maxima Tours. For further information and reservations contact Jerry Ponikvar @ 333-5813 or Frank Erzar @ 643-0285 .

**Društvo sv. Jožefa/Slovenian Society of St. Joseph** - vabi vse člane na **zaključni družabni večer** za to zimsko sezono. Zbrali se bomo v prostorih društva v **torek, 17. maja ob sedmih zvečer**. Člani odbora bodo poskrbeli, da se bo tudi kaj prigriznilo. Vsi člani lepo vabljeni!

## KOLEDAR ZA MAJ - JUNIJ 2011

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❖ **8. maj 2011 – 3. velikonočna nedelja: MATERINSKI DAN** - Pri maši poje mešani zbor. Slovenska šola pripravlja program v dvorani. Kosilo ob 12:00 nato kulturni program.

❖ **17. maj 2011** - torek: družabni večer v prostorih društva sv. Jožefa - zaključek za člane za leto 2010-11.

❖ **29. maj 2011** – Nedelja: Med slovensko sveto mašo bo **PRVO SVETO OBHAJILO - FIRST COMMUNION**. Poje mešani zbor.

❖ **5. junij 2011** - nedelja: ob 1:00 popoldne bo sv. maša in Telovska procesija na Slovenskem parku.

❖ **11. junij 2011** - sobota ob 11:00 AM maša za vse pokojne na »Gate of Heaven« pokopališču.

❖ **12. junij 2011** - nedelja: Binkošti: ob 1:00 PM bo sv. maša in telovska procesija

pri društvu Triglav - London.

❖ 18. junij 2011 - sobota ob 11:00 AM maša za vse pokojne na »Our Lady of the Angels« pokopališču.

❖ 19. junij 2011 - nedelja - **Sveta Trojica: ob 9:00 AM** bo običajna nedeljska maša in po maši procesija Sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi.

Ker je to nedeljo tudi »**Father's Day**« bo sveta maša ob 12:30 PM pri društvu Bled.

❖ 26. junij 2011 - nedelja: **SLOVENSKI DAN pri društvu Bled-Beamsville**. Ob 11:00 AM bo sv. maša s procesijo sv. Rešnjega Telesa in krvi po maši. Vabljeni narodne noše in deklice v belem, da bodo potresale cvetje. Ob 12:30 kosilo in ob 2:00 PM začetek kulturnega programa.

V župnijski cerkvi 26. junija NE bo slovenske sv. maše ob 9:30. Sv. maša bo samo ob 11:00 AM v angleškem jeziku.

❖ 3. julij 2011 - nedelja: ob 1:00 PM sv. maša v Slovenskem parku.

OBISK REDOVNIH SESTER

V četrtek, 12. maja se bodo zvečer pri maši predstavile redovnice

## DAROVI

Za blazine na klopih so darovali: Herman in Irma Gomboc \$200, Cilka Lehner \$50, Josephine in Maximilian Pavlič \$100, Ivan in Ana Kirec \$100, Jože in Verona Tompa \$100, Tone in Branka Nardin \$50, Frank in Marica Majzelj \$100 za blazine in za \$100 za rože Oltarnemu društvu. Do sedaj smo za klopi zbrali 7320 dolarjev.

Pri nedeljskih nabirkah ste v mesecu

aprilu darovali: 3. aprila: \$2627.00, 10. april \$2405.00, 17. aprila \$3478.00, 24. aprila \$14464.00.

Hvala vsem za vaše darove .

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Next Sunday, **May 15, is the annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. Please join Catholics throughout the world in praying for a generous response to the call to priesthood, consecrated life, the missions and lay ministry. In his message for this 48<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Benedict XVI states: *"It is important to encourage and support those who show clear signs of a call to priestly life and religious consecration, and to enable them to feel the warmth of the whole community as they respond 'yes' to God and the Church."*

## SAMOSTAN SV. ELIZABETE - BELORUSIJA

V četrtek, 12. maja 2011, se bodo pri večerni sveti maši predstavile redovnice iz samostana sv. Elizabete v Belorusiji. Predstavile nam bodo zgodovino njihovega samostana, delo, ki ga opravljajo. V atriju boste lahko kupili tudi izdelke, ki jih izdelujejo v samostanu. Na oglasni deski si oglejte plakat s slikami.



Our convent bearing the name of **St Martyr Grand Princess Elisabeth** was founded in the settlement of Novinki on the outskirts of Minsk in 1999. The convent originated in an Orthodox Sisterhood of the same name. Since 1996, the Sisterhood has served many care centers, including the National Psychiatric Hospital and Municipal Hospital as well as boarding homes for children and adults with special, a TB clinic and a home care facility for mentally challenged children.

Od 8. 5. 2011  
Do 15. 5. 2011

# SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

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

<b>NEDELJA - SUNDAY</b> 08. MAJ <b>3. VELIKONOČNA</b> <i>Bonifacij, papež</i>	† † † MATERINSKI DAN	za žive in rajne župljane Jožefa Kastelic Alojzija Novak Vengar Anton	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 12:00	John in Olga Kastelic Romana Novak z družino Romana Novak z družino ŽUPNIJSKA DVORANA
<b>PONEDELJEK - MONDAY</b> 09. MAJ <i>Pahomij, pušč.</i>	† †† †	Neža Mihelčič Veronika in Leopold Gimpelj Jožef Kuzmič Za zdravje	7:00 P.M.	Helen Špiler z družino Sin Jože Gimpelj z družino Ignac in Marija Korošec Lojzka Saje
<b>TOREK - TUESDAY</b> 10. MAJ <i>Job, svetopisemski m.</i>	†† † † †	Angela in Alojz Kocmut Marija Zrim Stane Napast Steven Booth	7:00 P.M.	Frank in Betty Gimpelj Karol in Milka Ferko Tone in Marija Bukvič Maria Vrbetič
<b>SREDA - WEDNESDAY</b> 11. MAJ <i>Estela, mučenka</i>	† † † †	Milan Štefanec Ivan Dobršek Štefan Plevel Anica Kološa	7:00 P.M.	Olga Godina /Montreal/ Romana Novak Romana Novak Družina Sladič
<b>ČETRTEK - THURSDAY</b> 12. MAJ <i>Pankracij, mučenec</i>	†† †† ††	Štefan in Marija Kirec Katarina in Mihael Štefanec iz družine Koprivc Za zdravje	7:00 P.M.	Hčerka Elizabeta Farkaš z druž. Maks in Milka Pavlič Karel Volčanšek Karel Volčanšek
<b>PETEK - FRIDAY</b> 13. MAJ <i>Fatimska M.Božja</i>	† †† †† ††	Matija Vlašič Rajni župljani John in Terezija Halas Stane Kanc in Ivan Mavec	7:00 P.M.	Josip Princ Alojz in Agata Sarjaš Elizabeth z družino Mihaela in Ivan Cimermančič
<b>SOBOTA - SATURDAY</b> 14. MAJ <i>Bonifacij, mučenec</i>	† †† †† †	Jože Kuzmič BOGU V ZAHVALO ZA 50 LET ZAKONA Max in Maximilian Sagadin Marija in Venčeslav Ferencak Anton Gomboša	8:15 A.M. 4:00 P.M. 5:30 P.M.	Gizela Hauzar Jože in Olga Hanc Julija Sagadin z družino Martin in Regina Nedelko Žena Slava Gomboša
<b>NEDELJA - SUNDAY</b> 15. MAJ <b>4. VELIKONOČNA</b> <i>Zofija (Sonja), muč.</i>	† ††	za žive in rajne župljane Alex Pučko Martin in Terezija Vinčec Maša pri društvu Sava MAŠA ZA OBLETNICE POROK	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 11:30 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	Družina Pučko Hčerka Olga z družino Breslav - Kitchener KATEDRALA HAMILTON



DON BOSCO

**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.