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**21. NEDELJA MED
LETOM**

**21ST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

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»Ali hočete oditi tudi vi?«

V sinagogi v Kafarnaumu je Jezus pravkar sklenil svoj govor o kruhu življenja. Med učenci in poslušalci pa se širi vprašanje: »Trda je ta beseda. Kdo jo more razumeti?«. Ves odlomek je zaznamovan z napetostjo, ki se je ustvarila po Jezusovem govoru. Kristus sam izrecno spregovori o »pohujšanju«, pomanjkanju vere in celo o izdajstvu; mnogi učenci so tedaj »odstopili« in ga zapustili. Še več, tudi apostole Jezus vpraša, ali mu hočejo obrniti hrbet »in oditi tudi oni« ter tako postati odpadniki.



V središču današnjih beril je temeljno vprašanje zgodovine vsakega človeka, njegova odločitev za resnico in ljubezen, ki sta za kristjana osredotočeni na Kristusa. Ta odločitev pogosto ni preprosta, ker je odločitev za živega in zahtevnega Boga v razmerju do mrtvih in udobnih idolov. V tem smislu je značilno tudi starozavezno berilo, s katerim odpira današnje bogoslužje božje besede.

Izraela, ki je prišel v osrčje obljubljenе dežele, v Sihem, kjer je bil sedež narodnega svetišča, povezanega s patriarhi, je Jozue, njegov voditelj pri vstopu v Sveto deželo, vprašal: »Danes si izberite, komu hočete služiti.« Idolom ali Bogu, ki vas je rešil egiptovske suženjstva? Zanimiva je ugotovitev, da je v svetopisemskem besedilu kar štirinajstkrat (to je število, ki označuje polnost in popolnost) odmeva glagol služiti (servire, servus). Ta izraz v svetopisemskem jeziku nima pomena »servilnosti«, marveč označuje svobodno in veselo sprejemanje božjega načrta. Služabnik je ime za najpomembnejše biblične osebe, kot so Abraham in Mojzes, Jozue in David, od prerokov do mesijanske podobe »Gospodovega služabnika«, ki ga opeva Izaija. V Novi zavezi se Marija imenuje »Gospodova dekla«,

in tudi Jezus je »služabnik« (servus) (Apd 3,13; 4,27). »Služiti Gospodu pomeni sprejemati njegov božji predlog življenja, pomeni bati se ga v priznavanju njegove veličine in slave, ljubiti ga z vsem srcem, dušo in močmi (5 Mz 6,5), pomeni verovati vanj.

Jezusovo vprašanje: »Ali hočete oditi tudi vi?« je namenjeno tudi nam. To vprašanje je kot meč, ki razdvaja zgodovino na dve polovici. Na eni strani so tisti, ki »se umikajo nazaj« zaradi sporočila, ki presega človeške moči. Z druge strani pa nam Petrove besede odpirajo drugo obnebje, obnebje tistih, ki izpovedujejo pristno vero v Kristusa, tistega, »ki ima besede večnega življenja, Božjega svetnika«.

V Matejevem evangeliju je že ob nekem drugem dogodku Peter izrekel podobno in jasno priznanje vere v Kristusa, ki je vprašal apostole: »Kaj pa vi pravite, kdo sem?« Petrov odgovor - »Ti si Kristus, Sin živega Boga« - je bil povod za izredno obljubo, ki je spremenila življenje preprostega ribiča: »Ti si Peter, Skala, in na to skalo bom postavil svojo Cerkev« (Mt 16,18). Celotno krščansko občestvo, ki ga je izzvalo to temeljno vprašanje, je tudi danes vnovič izzvano, da se prebudi iz zaspanosti svojih misli in površnosti ter se poda na zavestno in zavezujočo odločitev: »Mi verujemo in vemo, da si ti Kristus ...«

Tedaj in danes je lahko sprejeti Kristusa kot »pomnožitelja« kruha, tudi sprejemanje vere v njenem napredovanju je nekaj spontanega tedaj in danes. Na to navdušenje je Jezus v govoru v Kafarnaumu izlil mrzlo prho in pozornost usmeril k zahtevni in zavezujoči skrivnosti, ki jo je oznanjal. To je »galilejska kriza«, kakor jo imenujejo učenjaki, ki ni zgolj bled zgodovinski spomin Kristusovega zemeljskega življenja, marveč je nenehno dogajanje, v središču katerega smo vsi in vsak dan, ko je pred nami »življenje in sreča, smrt in zlo, blagoslov in prekletstvo; izvoli torej življenje, ljubi Gospoda svojega Boga, bodi pokoren njegovi besedi in bodi vedno z njim...«

(Prim. Oznanjevalec 2005-2006, št. 4)

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Response:

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

First Reading Joshua 24:1-2. 15-18

Joshua asks the people to renew their promise to serve the Lord always.

Second Reading Ephesians 5:21-32

St Paul speaks about marriage, obedience and fidelity, love and self-sacrifice.

Gospel John 6:60-69

Jesus, like Joshua, calls for his disciples to remain faithful after some had gone away.

"We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God."



Illustration

Judas Iscariot is an enigmatic character. Why did he betray Jesus? Was it just the money? Did he stop believing in Jesus? Or was it disillusionment? The famous passion play which is staged every ten years at the German village of Oberammergau takes this latter view. Judas did believe: he believed Jesus was going to inaugurate the new glorious kingdom of God expected by the Jews. But he thought Jesus was being slow to act. Judas grows weary of following Jesus. He takes himself off and starts thinking, "Why should I continue to follow him? ... I am tired of believing and waiting ... I wish to share his reign. It fails to materialise, and what is forthcoming – dread and suffering. Who feels like sharing those with him? Not !! Not !!" But after Jesus is condemned to death Judas falls into despair. He throws back the thirty silver pieces and says to himself, "How kind he has been toward me! How gently he comforted me when dark dejection oppressed my soul! How he warned me, when I was already harbouring this



as “intolerable language”, and indeed in Catholic marriage vows brides have never promised to obey their husbands. But before we get too annoyed with St Paul, let us notice his next words: “Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her.” Jesus never made unreasonable demands on the Church, nor must husbands make unreasonable demands on their wives. Rather must a

shameless betrayal. And I, this is how I have rewarded him... Not a disciple any longer.”

Gospel Teaching

One of the most poignant events in the Old Testament is when old Joshua assembled God’s people at Shechem, just before he died. He wanted to hear them make a decision, an irrevocable decision, either to serve or to desert God: to make their decision and then to stand by it for life. And to his joy he heard them echo his own vow, “We have no intention of deserting the Lord... We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

One of the most poignant events in the New Testament is towards the end of the sermon Jesus preached about the bread of life, when he declared that, “Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.” Some of his followers said, “This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?” And many of them left him. Then came that most heart-breaking moment when Jesus turned to the twelve apostles: “What about you, do you want to go away too?” Like Joshua he calls for a decision. And Peter spoke for them all, “Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.”

Many Catholics today find some Catholic teaching difficult. St Paul, in the second reading, instructs wives to obey their husbands. That will strike some

husband sacrifice himself for love of her. And they form one body. This was breakthrough teaching on the status of women and marriage.

Application

We may question other teachings of the Bible or the Church, but a closer study of them can sometimes alter our perceptions. In the end, if we question its teachings, or the Church is beset by scandals and we are let down by our priests, then, like those early followers of Jesus, we may even come close to leaving him. So what is it that holds us in the Church? Perhaps, for some, it is the response of Peter, “Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.” We may sense the truth of these words; and when it comes down to it, what keeps many people close to Jesus is love for him. We may love him because of the Church; and sometimes, perhaps, it may seem we love him despite the Church.

Judas, of course, was the exception among the apostles. And there are many real saints doing God’s work today. There are those whose lives have been transformed after being converted to Christ and who, coming into the company of Christ’s faithful people, have discovered this to be true: “You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.”

ENO SRCE ENA DUŠA

Zbiralna akcija v okviru škofije Hamilton

Cilj naše kampanje je v treh letih zbrati vsoto \$200,000.00 za našo župnijo.

Nekateri še vedno ne razumejo, da vse, kar boste darovali preko te kampanje, bo prejela naša župnija in še 10% iz skupnega sklada. Škofijski uradi pa bodo vodili vse računovodske zadeve, tako, da nam ne bo potrebno tega dela urejati.

V Vestniku objavimo koliko ste »obljubili« da boste darovali za kampanjo **za našo župnijo preko škofijskega računa** in koliko je že dejansko »vplačanega«. Iz škofije so nam sedaj poslali kodo, da lahko sami pogledamo tekoče stanje na našem računu.

Na računu »Eno Srce, Ena Duša« za našo slovensko župnijo sv. Gregorija Velikega je (Aug. 17, 2021):

\$104,900. - Pledged - obljubili

\$65,300. - Paid - ste že vplačali

Hvala vsem, ki ste že prispevali. Smo že skoraj na polovici zastavljenega cilja.

We will be hosting our final
SLOVENSKI PARK
MEMBERS ONLY - COVID FRIENDLY
SUMMER EVENT
LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
LONG WKND
Fri Sept. 3 - Mon Sept. 6

Mass Sun. Sept. 5 at 1:00
(new readers and choir are always welcome)

BBQ Lunch
(please contact Danny to sign up for your volunteer hours)

Breakfast
(thanks last time to Heidi Rumohr, Heidi Novak, Jessica and Jessie Pace)

Family Movie Night
(send your suggestions of Movie Titles to Kristina at kajin19@hotmail.com)

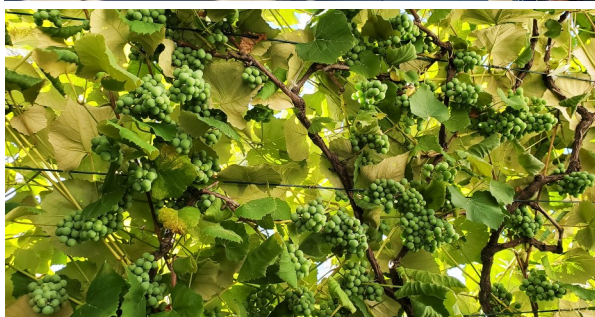
If **YOU**, as a member, would like to spearhead a **SPORT EVENT** or **ACTIVITY**, during the wknd, please contact Danny or Mary Ann.
(Thanks last time to Amaris and Lisa Pozeg for a fun Triathlon for kids and adults)

Remember to support the Covid Cart - to buy your 50/50 tickets - and safely follow all Covid-19 Government Regulations and all Park Rules
Contact Tracing and Gate Keeper Fees



BRESLAV - »VELIKI ŠMARN«

V nedeljo, 15. avgusta 2021, na praznik Marijinega vnebovzjetja - Veliko mašo, so se zbrali po polgem času Slovenci iz okolice. Ob njih popoldne, smo imeli pri bivši dvorani društva Sava sveto mašo. Zbrali smo se kar zunaj na ploščadi pod brajdo, v lepi senci. Za vse, ki so želeli, so pripravili tudi kosilo in so si ga zunaj pri mizi pojedli. Po maši pa sta navzoče z živo glasbo razveselila dva člana ansambla »Golden Keys«, tako, da so lahko nekateri tudi zaplesali.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

ČIŠČENJE CERKVE - CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

Aug. 28, 2021 Lukežič, Volčanšek
Sept. 11, 2021 Gosgnach
Sept. 25, 2021 Jožica Vegelj and team

DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad so v spomin ali namesto cvetja za pokojnega **Ignaca Horvata** darovali:

- \$100 Joseph in Ann Prša
- \$100 Družina Malevič
- \$ 50 Ida Vuk
- \$100 Doreen & Richard Sebben,
- \$ 50 Ignac in Terezija Sarjaš
- \$200 John in Milka Sobočan z družino
- \$ 50 Druzina Klemenčič (Slo)

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- € 20 Vera Horvat (Slo)
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 - € 20 Jožica Hozjan (Slo)
 - € 20 Marjan Horvat (Slo)
 - € 20 Cvetka Raščan (Germany)
 - € 20 Vida Gjerkeš (Slo)
 - € 20 Joško Horvat (Slo)
 - € 20 Zvonko Horvat (Slo)
 - € 20 Minka Hozjan (Slo)
 - \$100 Berkovič Zlatko in Marija
 - \$ 50 Marija Miklavčič (Oakville)
 - \$200 Ivan in Rose Žižek
- Hvala vsem za vaše darove. Bog vam stoterno povrne vašo dobroto.

End of Summer Picnic

Bled Hall

4650 South Service Rd., Beamsville, Ontario

29th August 2021

Roasted Pork Dinner: \$20.00

Snitzel Dinner: \$18.00

Chevap Dinner: \$15.00

Strudel for sale

Mass: 12:00 pm (noon)

Lunch: 1:00 pm

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Hours

Monday Closed
Tuesday 12:00 to 6:00 PM
Wednesday Closed
Thursday 12:00 to 5:00 PM
Friday 12:00 to 5:00 PM
Saturday Closed

*Its been 560 days since
the Slovenian Parish
community did this ...
... Keep the date
Sunday September 26
open!*



V tem tednu so naslednje obletnice smrti faranov, ki so zapisani v naših knjigah:

Peternel	Agnes Hildegarde	August 23, 1981
Leskovec	Božidar Theodor	August 24, 1995
Hauzar	Drago	August 27, 1996
Perhavec	Šteficha	August 28, 1995
Slobodnik	Alojzij	August 28, 2016
Berkopec	Anne	August 29, 1989
Dorenčec	Joseph	August 29, 1996
Ferletič	Darinka	August 29, 2010

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22. AVGUST

DEVICA MARIJA KRALJICA

Za žive in rajne župljane

- † Anthony Krajc, obl.
- † Fr. Ivan Dobršek
- † Marija Horvat, obl.
- † Fr. Ivan Dobršek
- † Fr. Stane Okorn
- † Milka Skale
- † Franc Kapušin

10:00 A.M. -----

- Žena Marilyn
- Manja Erzetič
- Družina Horvat
- Toni in Marija Franc
- Toni in Marija Franc
- Tatjana in Zvone Zaletel
- Janko in Anica Bubaš



SVETE MAŠE - MASS TIMES: Monday to Friday: 7:00 P.M., Saturday: 5:30 P.M. (Slovenian-Sunday Mass); Sunday: 10:00 A.M. (Slovenian-English - For the time of Covid-19 it is only one Mass on Sundays) - **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.

Od 22. 8. 2021

Do 29. 8. 2021

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

PONEDELJEK - MONDAY 23. AVGUST <i>Roza iz Lime, devica</i>	† Fr. Ivan Dobršek, obl. † Ana Ferenčak	7:00 P.M.	SDB Ignac Dorenčec
TOREK - TUESDAY 24. AVGUST <i>Jernej (Natanael), apostol</i>	† Fr. Ivan Dobršek, obl. † Ignac Horvat	7:00 P.M.	Slomškovo oltarno društvo Družina Vegelj
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 25. AVGUST <i>Ludvik, kralj</i>	† Ignac Kolenko † Miroslav Puc	7:00 P.M.	Olga Čulig Marija Korošec z družino
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 26. AVGUST <i>Tarzicij, mučenec</i>	†† Ivan, Ethel in Michael Simončič † Ignac Horvat	7:00 P.M.	Cecilija Sobočan Olga Hanc z družino
PETEK - FRIDAY 27. AVGUST <i>Monika, mati sv. Avgušтина</i>	† Anica Guštin † Pok iz družine Škrban † Angelca Simtič, obl.	7:00 P.M.	Alojz in Agata Sarjaš Martin Škrban z družino Majda Lukežič
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 28. AVGUST <i>Avguštin, škof in cerkveni učitelj Hermes, mučenec</i>	† Irena Grič † Karel Volf †† Pokojni iz družine Rožič †† Avgust in Francka Fujs † Joe Lackovič † Ignac Prša †† Ivan Petek in mati Ana † Ignac Horvat † Ignac Horvat	5:30 P.M.	Marija Volf Žena Marija Family Hči Marina Štefanec Žena Vera in družina Marija Volf Vera Lackovič in družina Vera Lakovič in družina Olga Glavač in družina
22. NEDELJA MED LETOM 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29. AVGUST MUČENIŠTVO JANEZA KRST- NIKA	Za žive in rajne župljane † Darinka Ferletič, obl. † Pok. starši in Darinka Ferletič, obl. † Katarina in Franc Kapušin † Irma Dorenčec † Ana Ferenčak † Lojze Prilesnik † Frank Verdinšek † Slavka Mramor † Slavko Slobodnik, obl. †† Pokojni člani društva Bled	10:00 A.M.	----- Milan in Sandy Ferletič Julija Sagadin z družino Tony in Antonetta Ignac in Gabriela Robačar Matilda Prša Jože in Magda Razpotnik Steve Vincenc Mož z družino Žena Olga z družino Maša pri društvu Bled