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**29TH SUNDAY IN
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JEZUS IN PLAČEVANJE DAVKA CESARJU

»Dajte cesarju, kar je cesarjevega, in Bogu, kar je Božjega.«

Zaradi odgovora, ki ga je Jezus dal farizejem, je upravičeno slovita razprava, v katero je vključen. Kot vemo, je krščanska misel, ki se je navdihovala pri takšnem Jezusovem odgovoru, prišla do nauka o jasnem razlikovanju dveh oblasti: cerkvene in državne. Vendar je bil Jezusov namen v konkretnem položaju drugačen.

Kot smo pravkar slišali v evangeliju, so farizeji in herodovci, ki so se to pot sporazumeli, svoje učence poslali k Jezusu, da bi mu postavili vprašanje z namenom, da bi ga spravili v težavo in ga zalotili pri prestopku: »Ali smemo dajati cesarju davek ali ne?«

Vprašanje je bilo zahrbtno. Če bi Jezus odgovoril z da, bi farizeji imeli zelo dobre možnosti, da bi ga predstavili kot zagovornika rimske zasedbe in ga očrnili pri ljudstvu. Če pa bi rekel ne, bi ga herodovci sami lahko predstavili kot nasprotnika rimske okupacije, ki zato zasluži ovadbo po rimskem upravitelju, posledice pa si lahko predstavljamo.

Jezus pa jih preseneti: »Kaj me preizkušate, hinavci?« Prosi jih, naj mu pokažejo davčni novc, in jih vpraša: »Čigava sta podoba in napis?« Odgovorijo mu: »Cesarjeva.« Tedaj jim reče: »Dajte torej cesarju, kar je cesarjevega, in Bogu, kar je Božjega.«

Z drugimi besedami jim Jezus reče: Če uporabljate cesarjev denar za vsakdanjo rabo in da poskrbite za svoje posle, zakaj me potem sprašujete, ali je dovoljeno plačevati davek ali ne? Vi sami z dejanji dokazujete njegovo dovoljenost; plačevanje davka postane zakonita pravica. Dajte torej cesarju, kar je cesarjevega; bolj pomembno pa je - doda Jezus - da daste Bogu, kar je Božjega. In kaj Bog pričakuje od njih? Da ga bodo dali na prvo mesto, ko bodo izpolnili njegovo voljo, ki je v priznanju njega, ki ga je on poslal, kot da Jezus jasno razumeti.

Vseeno pa nas ta Jezusov odgovor, ki je brezhibno logičen, lahko na

prvi pogled nekoliko zbega. Lahko bi dal vtis, da se je Jezus v bistvu kaj malo menil za to, da je njegovo deželo zasedala rimska vojska. Vendar bi bilo to krivično sklepanje, saj je Jezus ljubil svojo domovino. Prav zaradi tega pa je farizejem lahko rekel, da je najpomembneje dati Boga na prvo mesto.

Sicer pa jim je Jezus - kakor spoznamo iz prilik o ubijalskih viničarjih in o povabljenih na svatbo - napovedal nesrečo, ki jo bodo nujno priklicali nase, če ga ne bodo sprejeli, kakor je hotel Bog Oče.

Zdi se, da je tukaj Jezus tudi v politični dejavnosti uporabil eno izmed temeljnih načel svojega evangelija: »Iščite najprej Božje kraljestvo in njegovo pravičnost in vse drugo vam bo navrženo.« Ko Boga postavimo na prvo mesto in skušamo v resnici izpolniti njegovo voljo, se Bog zavzame, da uresniči upravičene želje in težnje svojih otrok.

Današnje prvo berilo nam pokaže, kako je Bog uporabil pogankega vladarja, Perzija Kira, da je svoje ljudstvo, ki ga je očistila dolgotrajna preizkušnja, osvobodil izgnanstva. V tem odlomku nam prerok Izaija pokaže, kako lahko Bog, vladar vesolja, vpliva na dogodke in jih razporedi tako, da tudi vladarji cesarstev, čeprav so še pogani, služijo kot orodje za uresničenje njegovega načrta miru in pravičnosti za vsa ljudstva.

Nauk tega evangelijskega odlomka je, da hoče Jezus tudi nas spomniti na krščansko dolžnost, da Boga vedno damo na prvo mesto v vseh naših dejavnostih in pred vsemi problemi, s katerimi se moramo spoprijeti, pa naj bo to v osebnem, družinskem, poklicnem in v javnem življenju, ki je veliko zahtevnejše področje zaradi naših strasti in navezanosti (na oblast, denar, užitek, osebne koristi itd.), ki tako otežijo prizadevanje za skupno dobro. Jezusov učenec je poklican, da se zanima za vprašanja, ki zadevajo družbeno pravičnost, javni red, službe, ki jih skupnost potrebuje kot zahtevo ljubezni. V vsem tem pa mora vedno postaviti Boga na prvo mesto, to se pravi, da se s problemi sooči v luči Božje besede in v skladu z njegovim načrtom ljubezni, pravičnosti in miru.

- (Prim. Oznanjevalec št. 4, 2011)

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 45.1,4-6*

From the rising of the sun and from the west, there is none besides me.

RESPONSORIAL *Psalm 96*

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strenght.

SECOND READING: *Tessalonians 1.1-5ab*

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *See Philipp. 2.15-16*

Alleluia. - Shine like stars in the world, * hailing fast to the word of life. - *Alleluia*

GOSPEL: *Matthew 22.15-21*

Render to God the things that are God's.



Illustration

Two hundred years ago, a young woman in Lyon, France, was moved to found an organisation known to us today as the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF), which forms part of Missio. This initiative grew from humble beginnings: small groups of ordinary people meeting regularly to pray for missionaries, to share information about their efforts, and to offer a few pence to support their work.

Following an intense religious conversion experience, Blessed Pauline Jaricot's story is one of struggle with sickness, rejection, misunderstanding and being cheated by those with evil intent. She died officially registered as a pauper. Yet her legacy, the APF, blossomed and flourished across Catholic Europe, reaching us here shortly after the Restoration of the Hierarchy in 1850 – when APF grants from Rome helped us to rebuild our post-Reformation Church.

In 1922, Pope Pius XI designated APF as the official mission-funding body for the entire Church and four years later, established



World Mission Sunday to be celebrated every year by every Catholic community in the world.

Ninety years ago, the Mill Hill Missionaries, founded by Cardinal Herbert Vaughan, joined forces with APF on the recommendation of the Bishops' Conference. The Red Box network was born and lives on wherever the Church is present.

Gospel teaching

Men with evil intent tried to trick Jesus into saying something that would compromise him with the authorities and weaken his mission. They met their match in Jesus, whose gentle strength and disarming wisdom sent them away even more focused on working towards his downfall.

We do not need to be reminded in these troubled times that many powerful men of this world are threatened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, perhaps even by Jesus himself. The 'Caesars' of our world demand unconditional obedience to their will, tolerating no dissension. They lie, cheat, squander, exploit, wage war, sow division and happily flout God's most basic commandments.

When Jesus responded that we should give to Caesar what is Caesar's, he surely did not mean we should submit without question to those who clearly act contrary to the Gospel. The Gospel arms us with the truth that we are one in Christ who leads us to the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit. St Paul reminds us in the second reading that we are chosen and loved by God. This gift carries with it the responsibility to share our Faith in

word and action, that is, to be missionaries where we are and support the global mission of the Church. By giving to God what is God's, we will challenge those values that are contrary to the Gospel, and welcome God's Kingdom into our world.

Application

On this occasion, the centenary of World Mission Sunday, Pope Leo has chosen the theme 'One in Christ, united in mission.' Thus, he calls us to keep our gaze fixed on the Lord, so that he may truly be at the centre of our lives and communities, the centre of every word, action, and interpersonal relationship, leading us to say with amazement: 'It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me.'

There is an adage that says, 'A Church that does not send is very near its end.'

Baptism makes us all missionaries. There is no essential distinction between those wonderful men and women who have, over the centuries, carried the Gospel to the peoples of this world, and most of us, who bear witness to Christ at home.

Popes Benedict XVI, Francis, and our present missionary Pope Leo XIV all repeat the truth that 'The Church does not engage in proselytism. Instead, she grows by attraction.' We will attract people to Christ by the love we show them, our respect for life, the inner joy we manifest, our willingness to forgive, and our reaching out to those in need. We reject violence in all its forms; we choose life, not death.

We will also support missionaries working abroad, young Churches too small or too poor to support themselves, and especially those Christians living with persecution and in the many war-torn areas of the world. We will love our enemies and pray for those who reject and despise us, and we will do this together as 'one in Christ', drawing strength from one another and from Christ.

If Christ is the sun, we, the Church, are the moon, reflecting God's love onto the world, enlightening all with the truth of the Gospel.

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Od 15. do 30. oktobra, se bo v Kanadi mudil slovenski zbor SLAVEC iz Nove Gorice. Zborovodja je g. Miran Rustja ki je že v preteklosti obiskal Kanado s pevskim zborom MOTIV. Skupino spremlja tudi ansambel trio Karošec.

Najprej se bodo ustavili v Clagary, tam nastopili in si ogledali nekaj znamenitosti.

Turneja se bo naslednji teden nadaljevala do mesta Vancouver kjer bodo v Slovenskem društvu praznovali 75. obletnico.

Na poti nazaj si bodo ogledali tudi Toronto in okolico.

V torek, 27. oktobra, bodo po večerni maši nastopili tudi v naši cerkvi. Lepo vabljeni!

V četrtek 29. oktobra pa bodo po večerni maši nastopili na Brown's Line, v slovenski cerkvi Čudežne svetinje.



ST. GREGORY'S CRAFT GROUP

V sredo, 14. oktobra se je zopet zbrala skupina, ki ustvarja z različnimi materiali in tehnikami: od šivanja, do pletenja, kvačkanja... Tokrat so dobili tudi novega člana, Petra. Lep prijeten večer, v družbi iznajdljivih in spretnih prstov izpod katerih prihajajo izvirni izdelki. Nekateri so bolj na začetku, drugi naprednejši, vsi pa polni dobre volje.





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Tukaj je pismo, ki ga je Heidy prejšnjo nedeljo prebrala pri mašah. Nekateri ste ga že prejšnjo nedeljo popoldne dobili po Vestnik pošti.

Here is the text Heidy read last Sunday at both Masses.

Good morning everyone.

October 11, 2026

On behalf of your Parish Council, we would like to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Although we should always be grateful for the many blessings in our lives, this weekend gives us a special opportunity to gather with family and friends, reflect on the year behind us, and celebrate all of the good things in our lives.

As a parish community, I hope we also take a moment to remember everything that St. Gregory's gives to us.

Our parish enriches our lives through our Slovenian culture, heritage and faith. It gives us a place to gather, celebrate, support one another and build strong and lasting bonds.

We are here today because, more than 60 years ago, our parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends worked tirelessly, with determination and commitment, to build this wonderful Slovenian church and gathering place for generations to come.

For that, we should always be thankful.

And today, in the spirit of Thanksgiving, there is someone else for whom we should be especially grateful.

On October 24th Fr. Drago will celebrate his 70th birthday.

We will have only one Mass on Sunday, October 25th at 11:00 a.m., followed by an informal buffet luncheon and birthday celebration in the hall.

We hope that all of you will come and help us celebrate Fr. Drago — not only his 70 years of life, but everything he has given to this parish, our Slovenian community, and to each of us, our families and our friends.

As you all know, Fr. Drago came to our parish 23 years ago. What began as a three-year placement was graciously extended by another two decades.

The Salesians have now informed us that Fr. Drago will be returning to Slovenia.

His current contract with Saint Philip the Apostle in New Rochelle, USA — the Salesian body that heads us — has been extended until August of 2027. Fr. Drago is also directly part of the Salesian community here in Toronto.

But, as you all know — every contract is made to be broken — and believe me, your Parish Council is working on that.

Before sharing what we know about the transition, we would like everyone to understand why the Salesians are calling Fr. Drago home.

Fr. Drago is turning 70. Salesian priests normally retire from their role as pastor by the age of 75, and the Salesians believe this is the appropriate time for him to begin the next chapter of his life back in Slovenia.

They want him, while he is still healthy and active, to once again live in a Salesian community with his brother priests — his confreres — and experience the companionship and camaraderie of living together in community.

After so many years of giving himself to us and serving our community here in Hamilton, they want him to have that time with his Salesian brothers in his homeland.

He too has a family — a mother, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews and many others who love him and would welcome having him closer to home again.

When you look at it from that perspective, I think

we can all understand why they believe this is the right thing for Fr. Drago.

Of course, this news brings many mixed emotions.

For many of us, it is difficult to imagine St. Gregory's without Fr. Drago. But we all knew this day would eventually come — we just weren't sure when, and we knew we wouldn't like it when it did.

Instead of allowing sadness to become the focus, I urge all of us to see this as our opportunity to show Fr. Drago the same generosity, selflessness and grace that he has shown us for so many years.

It is our turn to be happy for him.

While I was in Slovenia, I had the opportunity to meet with the Salesian Provincial and speak openly about what this change means for St. Gregory's and our Slovenian community here in Hamilton.

We made it clear that we understand why returning to Slovenia is the right thing for Fr. Drago. At the same time, we respectfully asked the Salesians to consider the needs of our parish and the many decades of partnership between our community and the Salesians.

We asked for the gift of a little more time so that our parish can prepare properly for this transition.

The Salesians in Slovenia have promised to help us and give us a little more time if needed. In fact, the Salesians are looking for another priest who might be suitable to come to St. Gregory's, so they are still working with us.

We have also been in discussion with the Diocese of Hamilton, and they have reassured us that St. Gregory's remains a national parish and that Fr. Drago's eventual departure does not mean our parish will close down or be amalgamated with another parish, they want to see our community continue and will work with us to find the best possible solution. They too are looking for a priest with a Slovenian background who they could possibly

send to us.

There are options, and there is a process that we will stay connected with to ensure the best possible solution for us here in Hamilton.

However, this transition is also going to require something from each and every one of us.

Fr. Drago does far more than most of us probably realize. Over the coming months, we need to identify the responsibilities he currently carries, determine which belong to the priest, which can be taken on by members of our parish community, and where we may need other forms of support. This is not something Parish Council can do alone. If St. Gregory's and our Slovenian Catholic community are important to us, then this is the time for all of us to become involved.

We are planning a parish community meeting on one Sunday afternoon in November. At that meeting, we will share any further information we have, answer questions as best we can, hear your ideas and begin working together on the future of St. Gregory's. In the meantime, we also ask that everyone please not call Fr. Drago looking for additional information.

Fr. Drago knows what has been shared with you today. There really is not anything further he can tell you at this time, and we do not want to put him in the position of having to answer the same difficult questions over and over again. You are welcome to reach out to anyone on parish council, and we will answer any questions you have as best as we can! We need to make this as easy on Fr. Drago as we can as he too feels attached, responsible and committed to our community.

Please remember:

St. Gregory's will still be here after Fr. Drago returns home!

We are simply going to look a little different. Change can be difficult, but it also gives us an opportunity to look at what is most important to us,

what we want to preserve, and what each of us is willing to do to ensure that this parish and our Slovenian Catholic community continue for generations to come. There will be plenty of time in the future to talk about goodbyes.

This is not that time. Today, we would like to focus on gratitude.

We are grateful for the generations before us who built St. Gregory's, for the parish community they entrusted to us, and for the 23 years that Fr. Drago has given to all of us.

So, as Fr. Drago celebrates his 70th birthday, we will have only one Mass at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 25th, followed by his birthday celebration in the hall.

Please join us.

This is not a goodbye party. It is simply a celebration of Fr. Drago — his life, his ministry, and everything he has given to each of us and to our Slovenian community.

Heidy Novak

President of Parish Council

PARISH INFORMATION & TRANSITION MEETING

Last Sunday, your Parish Council shared the news that Fr. Drago will slowly be preparing to return to Slovenia sometime towards the end of summer in 2027.

Due to a scheduling conflict with another club organization, we have moved our parish information and discussion meeting to Saturday, December 12th at 10:00 a.m. in the upper hall.

At this gathering, we will share any additional information we have, along with an outline of what will be required to help us prepare for the transition here at St. Gre-

gory the Great Slovenian Parish.

While we are still working to have Fr. Drago's departure date extended to a later date, it is important that we begin preparing now. We need to pool together our resources, identify what needs to be done, and work together to ensure that our parish is ready for the transition whenever it takes place.

There will also be an open discussion, and everyone is welcome to share their thoughts, ideas and suggestions about how we can move forward while continuing to preserve our faith, our parish and our rich Slovenian heritage.

If St. Gregory's is something you want to ensure is still here for your children and grandchildren, this is the time to show up, get involved and help us figure out what each of us can realistically do to support its future.

We hope that anyone who values what we have here at St. Gregory's will join us for this important morning information and working session.

Heidy Novak

President of Parish Council





We're excited to announce our first **Martinovanje Wine Tour**! Hopefully this will become a new Slovenian community tradition for years to come. The parish wanted to do something a little different - and what better way to celebrate Martinovanje than gathering a whole bunch of people in a **bus with music, wine and food**!

We have a **55-seat bus**, so space will be limited. **The cost is \$165 per person and includes:** transportation by bus - visits to **3 wineries** - wine tastings - **1 winery tour** - a group dinner

We will depart from the church parking lot at **1:00 PM** and expect to return at approximately **9:00 – 9:30 PM**. This event is **19+ only**.

Reservations with payment will open Sunday, October 18, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.. Reservations will be confirmed in the order payment is received, and **NO reservation will be accepted without payment in full. Please contact Angie Yeric Harrington with your reservation and full payment:**

Tel: **289-441-1236** Email: a_harrington@hotmail.com

Payment may be made by **cash, cheque or e-transfer**.

Once the bus is full, we will keep a short waiting list in case anyone has to cancel.

More details will follow next week.



ALL SOULS EVE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Sunday, November 1st, 2026
5:30 pm

Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery, Stoney Creek

Join us for a time of prayer and a remembrance walk through the cemetery
Refreshments to follow



THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
of the Diocese of Hamilton





MAŠA ZA STAREJŠE IN BOLNIKE

V sredo po zahvalni nedelji, 14. oktobra, smo se ob 11h dopoldne zbrali pri sveti daritvi. Tokar nas je bilo, kot je Ma-nica preštela, celih 40.

Po evangeliju smo prisluhnili odlomkom iz pisma papeža Leona za 34. Svetovni dan bolnikov, ki so ga letos obhajali v Peruju, 11. februarja. Za letošnji dan je papež izbral priliko o "Usmiljenem Samaritanu" in zato tudi naslov: **"Samaritanovo sočutje: ljubiti s prenašanjem bolečine drugega"**.

Med sveto mašo so vsi, ki so želeli, prejeli tudi zakrament bolniškega maziljenja, vmes pa smo prepevali luško pesem.

Po maši smo se, kot je dolgoletna navada, malo ustavili na klepetu, prijateljskem pogovoru v atriju cerkve, kjer je bilo vmes tudi nekaj dobrot za pod zob. Hvala vsem, ki ste pomagali pri pripravi in tudi prinesli sladke dobrote. Še posebej hvala Majdi, Manici, Patriciji, ki so postregle in pripravile in pospravile z mir.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOLEDAR DOGODKOV

- Oct. 24th - **Slovenski Park** - Oktoberfest
- Oct. 27th - **St. Gregory** - 7:30 p.m., nastop zb-ora SLAVEC iz Nove Gorice
- Oct. 28th - **St. Gregory Craft Group** - 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 1st - **Holy Sepulchre Mausoleum** - Mass at 2:00 p.m. - Prayers at the Cemeteries
- Nov. 2nd - **London** - Mass 2:00 PM - at Cemetery
- Nov. 7th - **Slovenski Park** Fall Clean Up: 9 AM
- Nov. 8th - **Lipa Park** - Martinovanje Luncheon
- Nov. 14th & 21st - **Lipa Park** - Clean-up, starting at 8:00 a.m.
- Nov. 21st - **Bled SCC** - Hunter's Banquet
- Nov. 22nd - **Slovenski Park** - Fall AGM 2 PM

BRALEC - READER:

Slovenian: Rosemary Šušteršič

English: Mary Miklavčič

PRINAŠANJE DAROV - GIFT BEARERS

- Sue & Zdravko Augustin

Sv. JOŽEF - TORKOVI VEČERI

20. oktobra 2026, se bodo zopet začeli **torkovi večeri** v prostorih društva sv. Jožefa v Villa Slovenia.

Od 7:00 PM do 10:00 PM zvečer bo običajno druženje ob pogovoru, igranju...

Slovenian Society of St. Joseph's organizes Tuesday's night social gatherings. This year we will start on October 20th, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in Villa Slovenia. Take your time to be there for playing, talking, singing.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Eno v Kristusu, združeni v poslanstvu

One in Christ, United in Mission

"The invitation is for all peoples"

Today the whole Catholic world keeps the 100th World Mission Sunday. The psalm sings, "Tell his glory among the nations" (Ps 96). Pope Leo XIV reminds us that no baptized person is exempt from mission, and that if unity is the condition of mission, love is its essence.

A second collection is taken up today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Your gift, joined to those of Catholics everywhere, supports seminarians, catechists, chapels, healthcare, and the poor in young Churches. Pray also for new missionary vocations.

Father, make us one in Christ, united in mission. Amen.



Sunday, November 1, 2026: All Souls Day Mass

The annual **All Souls Day Mass** at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington, will take place on Sunday, Nov. 1st at 2:00pm.

The principal celebrant will be the Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, Bishop of Hamilton.
All are welcome!

After the Mass, we will pray for all our deceased parishioners at the following cemeteries:

- 3:00 p.m. - Holy Sepulchre
- 3:30 p.m. - Gate of Heaven
- 5:00 p.m. - Our Lady of the Angels

FR. DRAGO'S 70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

As you all should know by now, we will be celebrating Fr. Drago's 70th birthday on **Sunday, October 25th**.

There will be **only one Mass that day, at 11:00 a.m.** Following Mass, we will go directly to the upper hall for an informal buffet lunch and birthday celebration.

We will have a birthday cake for Fr. Drago, but if anyone would like to bring pecivo to share with everyone, please drop it off in the upper hall before Mass.

We hope you will join us as we celebrate Fr. Drago and give thanks for everything he has given to our parish, our families and our Slovenian community over the past 23 years.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together and show Fr. Drago just how much he means to all of us.

We hope to see you all there

Heidy Novak

President of Parish Council

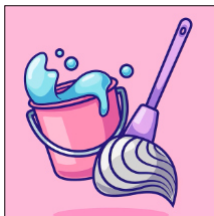
CHURCH CLEANING

Our parish is in **desperate need of volunteers for the cleaning of our church.**

PLEASE CONSIDER offering a few hours of your time.

Contact: Sidonia Poppa at 905-869-5440 for details of duties and a schedule.

We look forward to your much needed help.



ST. GREGORY'S CRAFT GROUP – NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 28

Looking for a creative and social evening? Join the **St. Gregory's Craft Group**, where crafters of all skill levels are welcome, from beginners to experienced.



 **When:** Every 2nd and 4th Wed. of the month

 **Time:** 7:30 p.m.

 **Location:** St. Gregory's Rectory

Bring your current project or come to learn something new in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. Whether you enjoy knitting, crocheting, sewing, quilting, paper crafts, or other creative hobbies, there is a place for you.

For more information, please contact:

Pamela Gosgnach at pgosgnach@yahoo.com

Sonya Podrebarac by phone or text at **905-902-6311**

Everyone is welcome! Come share your creativity, learn new skills, and enjoy fellowship with others in our parish community.



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

Nedelko	Ksenia	October 19, 2012
Udovč	Stanislav	October 22, 1996
Cestnik	John	October 22, 1999
Baznik	Albina	October 25, 2016



DON BOSCO

SV. MAŠE - MASSES: Mon. to Fri.: 7:00 P.M.; Saturday: 5:30 P.M. (Slo); Sunday: 9:30 A.M. (Slo); 11:00 A.M. (Eng) - From July to Fall Banquet only 10:00 A.M. - **KRSTI / BAPTISMS:** For an appointment, call one month before. **POROKA/MARRIAGE:** By appointment, call one year before the wedding date. **SPOVED/CONFESSIONS:** First Friday of the month 6 to 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 or Cell: 905-520-2014
Cheques: When you write a cheque for donation to our church, please write: **St. Gregory the Great Parish**

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

29. NEDELJA MED LETOM 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18. oktober <i>Luka, evangelist</i> <i>Misijonska nedelja</i>	†† Za žive in rajne farane † Jože in Marija Zelko † Marko Lukšič † Marko Lukšič † Štefan Antolin †† Peter in Linda Novak † Venci Zadavec † Štefan Antolin	9:30 AM ----- 11:00 AM	Sin Jože Roxanne in Oliver Reid Friend Dragica in Lojze Ferenčak z druž. Frank in Lojzka Novak z družino Jože in Marija Magdič z družino Jože in Marija Magdič z družino
	†† Cesare e Maria Valeri †† All souls in purgatory	7:00 PM	Irma and Rocco Valeri Irma and Rocco Valeri
TOREK - TUESDAY 20. oktober <i>Irena, mučenka</i>	† Luigi Amati	7:00 PM	Mike & Ada Amati
SREDA - WEDNESDAY 21. oktober <i>Uršula, dev-muč.</i>	† Antolin Štefan † Štefan Tompa	7:00 PM	Ivan & Minka Šemen z družino Ivan in Minka Šemen z družino
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY 22. oktober <i>Janez Pavel II., papež</i>	† Emily Cesar	7:00 PM	Rozalija Pušič
PETEK - FRIDAY 23. oktober <i>Janez Kapistran, duh.</i>	†† Viktor in Kristina Ferko †† Štefan in Ana Kričaj	7:00 PM	Družina Kolmanič Marija
SOBOTA - SATURDAY 24. oktober <i>Anton Marija Klaret, šk.</i> <i>Alojzij Guanella, duh.</i>	† Jeff Weir †† Ivan in Norma Tompa † Jožefa Mes V dober namen †† Rudi in Ana Hanc †† Joe in Olga Hanc † Rudi Hanc † Ivan Kirec † Milka Ferko	5:30 PM	Agica Doma Agica Doma Družina Mes N. N. Agnes in Mate Sutlič z družino Agnes in Mate Sutlič z družino Agnes in Mate Sutlič z družino Agnes in Mate Sutlič z družino Barbara Kirec
30. NEDELJA MED LETOM 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25. oktober <i>Sv. Darinka</i> <i>Žegnanjska nedelja</i>	† Za žive in rajne farane † Ann Božnar † Martin Gazvoda †† Pok. iz družine Frumen † Štefan Antolin † Štefan Antolin † Štefan Antolin † Štefan Prša † Jeff Weir † Milan Knaus † Jeff Weir For the blesseing of Fr. Drago	11:00 AM -----	John Božnar z družino Frances Gazvoda z družino Vera Marič z družino Alojz in Dragica Ferenčak z druž. Stanka Malevič z družino David in Jenny Antolin z družino Emilia in Ivan Mertuk z družino Emilia in Ivan Mertuk z družino Emilia in Ivan Mertuk z družino Žena in družina CWL - KZZ