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1. POSTNA
NEDELJA

1ST SUNDAY
OF LENT

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Jezus in bolniki

Stopamo v postni čas ali v pripravo na veliko noč. Mnogo stvari nas spodbuja, da svoje človeško in krščansko življenje vzamemo čim bolj zares. Danes nam prvo berilo predstavi znano pripoved o Noetu, s katerim Bog ob koncu velikanske poplave sklene pogodbo ali zavezo. Neverjetno je, da Bog, kot neskončno in dedopovedljivo presegajoče bitje, človeka jemlje kot nekakšnega družabnika, pa čeprav je vse netzaslužen zastonjski dar. Bog nam ponuja svojo roko, svojo pomoč, samega sebe kot Očeta in prijatelja. Bog ni ustvaril človeka za to, da bimel sužnja, ampak, da bi ga imel kot otroka, kot sina ali hčer, da bi bil podoben Bogu samemu. Svetopisemska podoba za to božjo pogodbo z nami je mavrica: »To je znamenje zaveze«. Mavrica navadno nastane po nevihti in napoveduje lepo, prečiščeno vreme. Tako je tudi božja zaveza s človekom znamenje odrešenja in začetek novih časov.

Noetova rešitev je bila vedno podoba naše rešitve. Zato apostol Peter v 2. berilu razmišlja o dogodku iz 1. berila. Zavezo med Bogom in človekom je na nepričakovan in nesluten način uresničil Kristus, božji Sin. Zato pravi Peter: »Kristus je za grehe enkrat umrl, pravični za krivične, da bi nas privedel k Bogu.« Spominja nas torej, da ta zastonjski božji dar pravzaprav ni bil zastonj, ampak je bil drago plačam s smrtjo samega Boga-človeka. V postu res ne smemo mimo te misli: »Kaj bi bilo z nami, ko nas Bog ne bi v Kristusu odrešil?« Ali pa drugačno vprašanje: »Ali naj Kristus zaman umira zame?«

Cerkev nas vsako leto ob začetku postnega časa postavlja pred Kristusa, ki gre v puščavo. Evangelist Marko nam kratko in jedrnatoporoča: »Tisti čas je Duh odvedel Jezusa v puščavo.« Dati se voditi božjemu Duhu pomeni živeti po oblikovani vesti, pomeni živeti življenje duha. Živeti Kristusa, pomeni prisluškovati Duhu kot Kristusovemu in našemu Vodniku. Božji Duh je spodbudil Jezusa, da je kot uvod v svoje javno delovanje opravil velike, štiridesetdnevne duhovne vaje. Bila sta sama, on in njegov Oče! Božjo voljo, da odreši vse ljudi, Jezus potrdi s stavkom Janeza Krstnika, ki ga je ponovil: »Spreobrnite se in verujte evangeliju!« To je vabilo tudi za naš postni čas.

PUSTOVANJE PRI SV. GREGORIJU

V teh dneh polarnega vremena je bila pustna sobota v Hamiltonu bolj ledeno mrzla kot zima na severu Kanade. Tak je bil namreč občutek pred vstopom v toplo župnijsko dvorano, kjer je pustni živ žav otrok in odraslih v hipu ogrel človeku telo in dušo.

Že ob lanskem pustovanju je župnijski svet in ansmbel "Slow Beat" organiziral nepozaben družinski večer, ki je bil to pot še bolj zabaven, saj je sodelovalo vsaj 40 živo barvnih pustnih šem. Maske so bile ocenjene in nagrajene po starosti v treh skupinah in sicer tako, da so maske korakale ob poskočnih melodijah ansambla mimo miz obiskovalcev, ti so pa z glasovanjem izbrali tri najbolj izvirne maske. Ta predstava je zabavala obiskovalce več kot eno uro. Hišni fotograf, župnik g. Drago Gačnik, je bliskal v polni formi, da je ujel vso to živobarvno pustno rajanje.

Ima pa ta uspešna zgodba o pustovanju v Hamiltonu se širši eiplog. Namreč, spretnim orgaizatorjem in zabavnim članom ansambla "Slow Beat" je uspelo pridobiti k sodelovanju starejšo in mlajšo generacijo za množično nadaljevanje te slovenske tradicije. Začuda, na poti domov tudi rekordnih -25 stopinj celizija ni pokvarilo lepega večera. - *Poročilo je zapisal Frank Novak*





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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Response: **Your paths, Lord, are love and faithfulness for those who keep your covenant.**

First Reading Genesis 9:8-15

God makes a covenant with Noah and every living creature – the waters shall never again destroy the world.

Second Reading 1 Peter 3:18-22

The waters of the flood brought destruction. Peter describes how the waters of baptism are life-giving and bring salvation.

Gospel Mark 1:12-15

Jesus endures forty days of temptation in the wilderness before beginning his public ministry.

“The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness.”

Illustration

On 11 February 1990 the eyes of the world were fixed on the gates of a prison in Cape Town, South Africa. Through those gates was to walk the most famous prisoner in the world – Nelson Mandela. As he stepped forward, those who witnessed the event on countless television screens knew that this was a momentous occasion. Not only was a man being freed; a whole nation was being released from a form of imprisonment. Mandela was no longer a young man, but his mission to lead his nation was only just beginning. Within a few short years he would move from a prison cell to the presidential residence as he, with many others, forged a new South Africa.

This transformation was no work of a moment. It was rather the fruit of many long years of preparation. While imprisoned on the notorious Robben



Island, he, together with other leading prisoners, established a university of sorts for the political prisoners. In this wilderness of the body and heart they created an environment where debate and learning and preparation for their future political leadership flourished. The vision of a multi-racial South Africa would take political savvy as well as optimism to achieve and the preparations were under way for many years on the tiny island a few miles away from the splendours of Table Mountain and Cape Town.

Gospel Teaching

Today's Gospel gives us a snapshot of a dramatic experience in the life of Jesus. Having been baptised by John in the Jordan, Jesus is driven into the wilderness before beginning his mission. This turning point in the life of Jesus was the fruit of a lifetime of preparation. As a faithful Jew, he had grown up observing the Law and living a life of ritual purity. Going to synagogue, studying the scriptures, learning the ways of faith were part and parcel of his daily life. Even the baptism of John – and it may be difficult for us to understand why Jesus would submit to this – was another expression of the ritual washings he undertook many times as part of his daily life.

At the baptism and the testing in the wilderness we have a sense that something is changing dramatically. Having lived a “quiet life” until this point, Jesus is coming to terms with the fact of who he is and what he is about. The “beloved Son” finds himself in the desert. This testing ground is where

he comes to terms with his identity and his task – it becomes the place of transformation and empowerment. John has been silenced, but into this silence a new voice cries out. Jesus bursts out of the desert energised for his mission. “Repent, and believe the Good News!” His mission is not simply proclamation: it is transformation – it is liberation.

Application

We have had a lifetime of preparation for our own mission. Even now our mission in Christ can call us into new territory and situations. However, we have all that we need for this journey. Our celebrations of the Eucharist, our listening to the word of God in scripture, our daily prayer routine, all have prepared us for this time of commissioning by the Lord. Lent is sometimes described as the desert time in the Church’s year – this desert time can be for us an opportunity to reflect, like Jesus, on who we are and why we are here. It takes time and energy to absorb the reality of the Christian vision: that we are children of God called to announce in word and deed the favour of the Lord.

During this desert time we turn to God and seek renewal in heart, mind and body through the disciplines of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These tools equip us for effective ministry in the name of Jesus Christ. Truly to make a lasting difference to the world, we need to be prepared and equipped with the Gospel we will announce to others. Co-operating with the Spirit and spending time being tested in the harsh terrain of the wilderness is a challenge for us. Yet responding to this challenge will allow us truly to turn away from sin and towards the living God. Responding to this challenge will allow God to effect a lasting transformation in our hearts and minds. Responding to this challenge will empower us to burst forth from the silence of prayer into the joyful proclamation of the gracious love of the Father revealed in Jesus the Christ.



St. Gregory the Great
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE



CORDIALLY INVITES EVERYONE TO OUR **ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR**

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2015
LUNCH AT 12:30

BAKE SALE, PENNY SALE, RAFFLES,
CHILDREN'S GAMES, 50/50 DRAW

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FAMILY FUN

ADMISSION:

ADULTS: \$15 IN ADVANCE PREPAID
\$17 AT DOOR

CHILDREN 4-10 YES. - \$5

CHILDREN 3% UNDER - FREE

OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKI ZBOR - VAJE



Vaje za župnijski mešani pevski zbor bodo v četrtek 26. februarja. Pojemo na 5. postno nedeljo, 22. marca, ko bo tudi banket društva sv. Jožefa. Maša je samo ob 10:00 a.m. Pojemo skupaj z angleškim zborom.

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 1. marec: **CWL-KŽZ** - Bazaar
- ♦ 1. marec: **Sv. Jožef** - Občni zbor/Annual General Meeting - 11:00am
- ♦ 3. marec: **Lipa Park** - 5:30 p.m. - Občna seja
- ♦ 8. marec: **Triglav-London**: ob 12:15 p.m. maša v dvorani društva & Koline. - **Bled**: Members General Meeting
- ♦ 15. marec: **SAVA** - 1:00 p.m. maša **Bled**: Dan žena - banquet (Otto Pestner)
- ♦ 22. marec: **Banket društva sv. Jožefa** - maša bo ta dan SAMO ob 10:00 a.m.

CWL-KŽZ BAZAAR: MARCH 1ST, 2015

March 1st – the date of the CWL Bazaar - is fast approaching. Have you made your lunch reservation; planned for a donation to the Penny Sale or special raffle tables, purchased your blue raffle tickets, decided what to bake as your pecivo donation and most important-ly reserved the date on your calendar?

If you have done any or all of these things the ladies of the **CWL say THANK YOU** – we appreciate your support. The funds we raise go towards supporting St. Gregory's.

To assist with organization, we would ask that you contact **Terezija Sarjaš 905-560-1218** to make a lunch reservation. Lunch tickets can also be purchased in the foyer before

and after Mass. Any **Penny Sale** or raffle **table donations** can be dropped off in the boxes in the foyer or brought to the hall early on Saturday morning. **Baked goods** can be dropped off in the upper hall on Saturday morning.

The Catholic Girl's Club will be organizing the Children's Centre again this year. Any prizes or toy donations will be most appreciated. They are especially looking for gently used or new **teddy bears** for their Teddy Bear Corner.

We look forward to seeing all of you on March 1st.

KRIŽEV POT BO TA TEDEN V ČETRTEK

Ta teden bomo imeli **križev pot** že v ČETRTEK (26. feb.), pol ure pred mašo. V petek zvečer imamo duhovniki srečanje /Ardree/ s hamiltonskim škofom, zato bo v petek maša samo ob 8h zjutraj.

BANKET DRUŠTVA SV. JOŽEFA

Letos bo banket društva sv. Jožefa v nedeljo, 22. marca. Dopoldne bo samo ENA SV. MAŠA ob 10:00. Začetek banketa s kosilom ob 12:00h.

Vstopnice in rezervacije miz lahko uredite pri Franku Erzarju 905-643-0285.

SLOVENIANS GOT TALENT

This year the **Slovenian Society of St. Joseph** will be hosting a **talent show** at their annual banquet on March 22.

We are looking for anyone (all ages) including kids, parents, grandparents who want to show their talents to our community. It can include singing, dancing or playing an instrument.

There is no judging, just having fun. To sign up or for more information, please contact **Peter Novak** 905-560-4201 (pnovak007@hotmail.com)

SAVA - BRESLAV & THE GOLDEN KEYS

Gala praznovanje ob **25 letnici sodelovanja** med **DRUŠTVOM SAVA** in ansamblom **THE GOLDEN KEYS** bo v **soboto, 28. februarja 2015 s pričetkom ob 5:00 p.m.** Ob 6:0h zvečer bo servirana dobra večerja, ob 8:00 posebna predstavitev in od devetih naprej ples ob zvokih ansambla The Golden Keys. Cena vstopnic: \$35 odrasli, \$25 mladina/študentje, 12 let in manj, prost vstop. Vstopnice lahko rezervirate pri: Theresi Mirt: 519-884-6194 (zinka@rogers.com) ali pri Mariji Prilesnik: 519-884-4736.

BARAGOV POSTOPEK

Baragov postopek za beatifikacijo potrebuje našo podporo. Prosimo, da bi še posebej molili v četrtek, 5. marca, ko se bo v Rimu sestala zdravniška komisija za obravnavo čudeža v prid Baragove beatifikacije.

POKOJNI

Balkovec, Ana passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, on Thursday, February 19, 2015 just shy of her 99th birthday. Visitations are at Henry Walser Funeral home 507 Frederick Street, Kitchener on Monday Feb. 23rd 3-5pm & 7-9pm. Funeral on Tuesday Feb 24th @9.30am, funeral mass @ 10.00am at St. Anthony Daniel Church.

FOLKLORNA SKUPINA VENEC

Folklorna skupina VENEC invites all interested in joining their group under the motto of "**friends, folklore and fun**" on Sundays: **March 1st and March 29th starting at 4:30pm in the lower hall of St. Gregory's.** We are always open to new and old members to help us celebrate our Slovenian roots and culture. Those with the interest to dance, sing, play music and have some fun with like minded people are encouraged to come help make our **5th** year even more memorable! For more information, contact **Dave Antolin** 905.664.5980, fsvenec@gmail.com or Folklorna skupina VENEC on Facebook.

Special interest: All those interested in our beautiful history of traditional costumes is encouraged to visit a special site on Facebook: Slovenska ljudska noša - Slovenian traditional costumes. We are all encouraged to share this site with others and celebrate our rich culture.



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

DON BOSCO

Od 22. 2. 2015
Do 1. 3. 2015

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

NEDELJA - SUNDAY

1. POSTNA

22. FEBRUAR

Sedež apostola Petra

za žive in rajne župljane

9:30 A.M.

† Marija Mes, obl.

Amalija Štadler z družino

† Terezija Hajdinjak

11:00 A.M. Joe in Kathy Prša

PONEDELJEK

MONDAY

23. FEBRUAR

Polikarp, šk. mučenec

†† Verona in Štefan Prša, obl.

7:00 P.M. Joe in Kathy Prša

†† Verona in Štefan Prša, obl.

Cecilija Sobočan

† Marija Mes

Družina Mes

† Matija Vlašič

Žena in otroci

TOREK - TUESDAY

24. FEBRUAR

Matija, apostol

Po namenu

8:00 A.M.

†† Pokojni iz družine Zorčič

Slomškovo Oltarno Društvo
Jožica vegelj z družino

SREDA - WEDNESDAY

25. FEBRUAR

Alojzij in Kalist, muč.

† Terezika Štefanec

7:00 P.M.

†† Pokojni starši Pavlič

Maks in Milka Pavlič

Maks in Milka Pavlič

ČETRTEK - THURSDAY

26. FEBRUAR

Aleksander, škof

† Mila Mozetič

7:00 P.M.

† Sidonija Drvarič

Križev pot
ob 6:30 p.m.

†† Pokojni starši

Manja Erzetič

Matilda Zupančič

Marina Štefanec

PETEK - FRIDAY

27. FEBRUAR

Gabrijel Žal.M.Božje

Po namenu

8:00 A.M.

n.n.

SOBOTA

SATURDAY

28. FEBRUAR

*Roman, opat
Kvatre*

Po namenu /Maša: Slovenska šola

9:15 A.M.

n.n.

† Vinko Kovič

5:30 P.M.

†† Frank in Sidonija Drvarič

Stojanka

† Marija Grebenc

Ignac in Marija Korošec

† Klanfar Reza

Lojze Grebenc

Družina Slobodnik

NEDELJA - SUNDAY

2. POSTNA

1. MAREC

Albin, škof

za žive in rajne župljane

9:30 A.M.

† Anton Vogrinc

Milena Volčanšek

† Božo Bratanič

Milena Volčanšek

†† Fran in Vera Staniša

11:00 A.M. Sin Frank Staniša z družino

CWL - BAZAR

12:30 P.M. Zgornja dvorana