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**31. NEDELJA
MED LETOM**

**31ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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Jezus se je povabil

»Ko je Jezus došel na tisti kraj, je pogledal gor in mu rekel ...«

Zaheju se ni zdelo nič bolj nemogoče, kakor da bo prerok iz Galileje ostal pri njem na obedu. Ob duhovnikih templja, med množico pobožnih, zglednih meščanov je bil on najmanj primeren za Jezusovega gostitelja. Sam ne bi nikoli zbral dovolj poguma, da bi ga povabil. Skupaj z očakom Jakobom je razmišljal: »Nisem vreden vseh tvojih milosti in vse tvoje zvestobe, ki si jo izkazal svojemu hlapcu« (1 Mz 32,10), ali kot stotnik: »Gospod... Nisem vreden, da stopiš pod mojo streho« (Lk 7,6), priznal kot spokorjen sin: »Nisem več vreden, da bi se imenoval tvoj sin« (Lk 15,21). V njegovih mislih kot refren odmeva beseda, nisem vreden, nisem vreden v tvojih očeh - dokler se ni mož, ki ga je privlačil, sam povabil. Prijateljsko ga je poklical in ga povabil k sebi. »Preden bodo klicali, jim odgovorim« (Lz 65,24). Bog edini ve, kdo ga resnično pričakuje.

Ko je Jezus poklical učence, ni nobenemu dejal: »Glej, nekaj imam zate.« Skoraj nič ni obljubljal. Ni obljubljal bogatih nagrad, dragocenih daril, ampak dolgo pot, ki jo bo potrebno prehoditi. Kristjani se pogosto motimo, ko hvalimo krščanstvo zaradi koristi, ki jih omogoča. Svetu okoli nas sporočamo Mojzesove besede, ko je nagovarjal Hobaba: »Pojdi z nami in dobro ti bomo storili.« In Hobab je odgovoril: »Ne grem« (4 Mz 10,29-30). Vsak človek, otrok ali pa sivolasi očak, se nehote boji vsega nenavadnega, kar naj bi mu prineslo velike koristi. Mnogi so celo prepričani, da je vse, kar jim koristi, kot grenko zelišče, povezano s težavami in neprijetnostmi. Človeku zbudi zanimanje nekaj bolj pomembnega, kot pa je to obljuba. To je pričakovanje, da se bo znal obvladati in uporabljati bogastvo duše, tako kot to zmore Bog (M r 1,16-17).

Apostol Pavel se v drugem pismu Korinčanom z resnico zoperstavlja govoricam, ki jih razširjajo njegovi sovražniki, ter jih primerja z resnico. Prej ali slej se vsak človek sreča z govoricami, s spoštovanjem in omalovaževanjem. Če v boju za resnico omaga, je pomembno le še, kaj drugi govore o njem. Po tujih merilih ureja svoje ravnanje. Govorice ugonobijo umetnike, razbijajo domove. In vendar so govornice med vsemi stvarmi, ki določajo in oblikujejo naše življenje, najmanj pomembne.

“Martinovanje” - St. Martin Day Dance & Wine Festival



6:15 P.M. SAT. NOV. 12, 2016
ST. GREGORY THE GREAT UPPER HALL

CONTESTS FOR BEST 2016 HOME MADE WINE

(BRING YOUR BEST BOTTLE, RED OR WHITE)

AND

HOME MADE “POTICA”

(BRING YOUR BEST WALNUT OR POPPYSEED POTICA)

NO COST TO ENTER CONTEST



LIVE
ENTERTAIN-
MENT
SLOVENIAN
AND
MODERN
MUSIC
BY

Ansambel
Brajda



Food available for Purchase

Well stocked bar

Raffle

1st Prize = Tickets to New Years Eve

2nd Prize = Goose (frozen)

Admission only \$12

A fun, family oriented event of new and old traditions

An event and facility presented for members and supporters of St. Gregory and the Hamilton Diocese

ZLATA POROKA

V nedeljo, 23. oktobra 2016 sta se **FRANK** in **KATARINA KAPUŠIN**, pri angleški sveti maši, Bogu zahvalila za 50 let skupnega življenja. Blagoslov jima je po homiliji podelil Fr. Pascal Sarjaš, ki je ta dan maševal. Iskrene čestitke slavljencema za jubilej, da bi še naprej vztrajala v zvestobi. Na ju spremlja božji blagoslov in priprošnja božje Matere Marije.



BAPTISM - KRST

V soboto, 30. oktobra 2016, je zakrament svetega krsta prejela deklica **ALYSSA HEIDI, MARCY**. Oče deklice je David Marcy, mati pa Lisa, roj. Lipovsky. Iskrene čestitke ob krstu drugega otroka. Naj družino spremlja božji blagoslov in priprošnja Device Marije.



SCOLRASHIP BANQUET 2016

V nedeljo, po angleški maši smo imeli v naši dovrani SCHOLARSHIP BANKET. Ta je že 20. po vrsti. Zadnji čas je v Hamiltonu, prej pa smo se menjavali med Bledom, Lipa parkom in župnijo. Mnogi so prišli že k maši ob enajstih. Potem smo nadaljevali praznovanje v dvorani. Po kosilu so predstavili posebne goste in podelili štipendije petim mladim: Ashley Nicole Anderson, Megan Rebecca Farkaš, Amanda Novak, Nicholas Ponikvar, Philip Ponikvar.

Med programom je svoje življenjske izkušnje prestavila govornica Martha Bajec. John Doma je podelil tudi vsakoletno priznanje za služenje v slovenski skupnosti, ki ga je prejel župnik Drago Gačnik. Toni Ferko je med programom poskrbel za spremljavo na harmoniki. Hvala vsem za udeležbo, kuharicam za dobro kosilo, mladim za hitro postrežbo in delavcem v baru.





Župnik g. Drago Gačnik: Vse premorem v Njem, ki mi daje moč!



To geslo apostola Pavla si je gospod župnik Drago Gačnik, kot novomašnik, izbral za vodilo svojega duhovnega poslanstva. Nedvomno je ta globoka misel postala vsakdanje vodilo g. Gačnika pri njegovem duhovnem, kulturnem in družabnem delovanju slovenske župnije Sv. Gregorija Velikega v Hamiltonu. Tega njegovega širokega poslanstva so deležni tudi rojaki podružnic na niagarskem polotoku na razdalji več kot 200 km. Zato se župnija sv. Gregorija Velikega upravičeno lahko ponaša kot najširša slovenska župnija naj si bo doma ali po svetu, kateri tako zavzeto služi župnik g. Drago Gačnik.

V več kot trinanjstih letih župnikovanja je g. Gačnik zaznamoval kar nekaj pomembnih

dogodkov kot so: 40 letnica župnije, obhajal je 25 letnico mašnistva, svojo 50 letnico in pred par leti 50 letnico župnije.

V ponedeljek zvečer 24. oktobra, pa se je zgodil še en odmeven dogodek. Namreč vsa župnijska skupnost se je navdušeno odzvala na župnikov 60. rojstni dan. Slovesno mašo je daroval g. Gačnik s somaševanjem g. Pascala Sarjaša iz Francije. Dvojezično bogoslužje sta obogatila oba pevska zbora. Po maši so župnijski mešani zbor, angleški zbor in moški zbor Majolka, zapeli še nekaj narodnih pesmi slavljenju kot pevovodji vseh zborov. Slavje se je nadaljevalo v prijetnem domačem ozračju v dvorani. Najprej so učenci slovenske šole zapeli in izrazili voščila g. župniku. Ansambel Slow Beat pa je pokrbel za



popularne melodije v ozadju, medtem ko so se obiskovalci okrepčali in osebno izrazili čestitke in najboljše želje g. Gačniku za njegov okrogel življenski praznik.

Bil je čudovit večer dobre volje in iskrenih želja, da bi gospod Gačnik še mnogo let blagoslavljal v župniji sv. Gregorija Velikega in v širši slovenski skupnosti na niagarskem polotoku. Naj mu Bog še naprej daje moči za plemenito delo v smilsu gela: »Vse premorem v Njem, ki mi daje moč!«

Frank Novak

P.s. Iskrena zahvala vsem, ki ste mi tako ali drugače izrazili čestitke ob mojem 60. rojstnem dnevu. Hvala za vašo pozornost, za darove in za molitve, saj brez skupnega

sodelovanja ne bi mogel voditi župnije. Še posebej hvala Župnijskemu svetu za organizacijo, pevcem obeh zborov, Carlu, Johnu in Ivanu za pomoč in vodenje zborov. Hvala gospe Olgi za okrasitev in lep šopek vrtnik in tudi kruh za darove. Hvala vsem sodelavcem, vsem, ki ste prinesli dobrote za dvorano (še posebej Nancy za trinadstropno torto), ansamblu Slov-Beat - vsem, ki ste si vzeli ta dan čas in se ustavili v dvorani, da smo se skupaj poveselili. Bog naj vam vsem povrne za vse, kar dobrega storite. Naj nas vse spremlja priprošnja Marije Pomočnice Kristjanov.

Hvaležni župnik

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Response: I will bless your name for ever, my King and my God.

First Reading Wisdom 11:22 – 12:2

The writer of ancient wisdom understands that God's power is matched by God's infinite mercy and kindness.

Second Reading 2 Thess. 1:11 – 2:2

A prayer that God's power will fulfil our desire for holiness of life.

Gospel Luke 19:1-10

Jesus enters Jericho and surprises everyone.

"Today salvation has come to this house."

Illustration

In September 2015 Pope Francis, during his visit to the United States, addressed a Joint Session of Congress. The leader of the Catholic Church was speaking to people of all faiths and of none, and the Holy Father began his remarks by pointing out that the great work of politics is to legislate for the common good of all members of society and especially for the weakest. He warned us not to divide the world up into good people and evil people. This is a real and terrible danger, and leads to great hatreds and destruction.

Pope Francis then spoke about the "Golden Rule" – to treat other people as you would have them treat you. Before he could go further his listeners in the hall rose to their feet as one to applaud the sentiment. Here was common ground. Here was the great common starting point for understanding life and for making agreement about values. Our first understanding is how precious our own life is. We see that other people are the same as we are, and so the first rule of life is to treat others with the

same respect and dignity that we instinctively wish for ourselves.

Pope Francis then spelled out what it means in practice to live by the Golden Rule. He said, "If we want security, let us give security; if we want life, let us give life; if we want opportunities, let us provide opportunities. The yardstick we use for others will be the yardstick which time will use for us." When he spoke about crime and punishment the Holy Father commented that "a just and necessary punishment must never exclude the dimension of hope and the goal of rehabilitation".

Gospel Teaching

When Jesus came to Jericho, rehabilitation quickly became his agenda. He was walking along the street and a great crowd of people was around him, keen to see him. Jesus was becoming something of a hero to many. But suddenly the atmosphere changes, and a note of sourness enters into the proceedings. There is a man up in a tree, trying to get a good look at Jesus. His position suits him, for Zacchaeus is one of the high and mighty, a wealthy man who made his money out of collaboration with authority and at the expense of the common people.

Jesus invites himself to this man's house. He goes in for a meal, to share this man's table, and leaves a murmuring, moaning crowd outside. It takes no time at all for public opinion to change. Jesus is now a disappointment. He is like all the rest: promise you the earth but do nothing and cosy up to the rich at the first opportunity!

But while the crowd moans and criticises outside, inside a conversation is taking place between Jesus and Zacchaeus. The details we do not know, but the outcome is clear. Zacchaeus comes out of his house a changed man. He publicly repents his life of greed and vows to make generous compensation for any wrongs he has done. The Gospel text

says that he “stood his ground”. This is the act of an honest person.

Until now Zacchaeus has hidden behind his ledgers and has relied on the Roman military for his security. Now his openness gives him the confidence and the courage to stand once again among his own people. Jesus gave him the powerful gift of human acceptance and Zacchaeus grabbed it with both hands.

Application

For many people in Jericho, Zacchaeus was a write-off, a selfish waste of space. He was beyond the pale and beyond redemption. Many people in the world believe this to be true of others. The selfish behaviour of human beings can lead us to conclude that this world is beyond saving. Certainly the extremes of violence that we see and hear of every day tend to make us feel somewhat hopeless about the prospects for a brighter future.

However, recent scientific studies by the Common Cause Foundation have turned up surprisingly positive results about human beings. The first says that we are far more unselfish than we are given credit for. The second conclusion is that others are thought to be more selfish than in fact they are. Science is coming to the same conviction that our faith already teaches us.

Human kindness is greater than human wickedness. Salvation can come to this house. Followers of the Lord live by this conviction.

COOKING SESSION

Our next cooking session will take place on November 19th in the upper hall kitchen. We will be making cookies before the Christmas season. If you are interested in participating, please contact me to reserve your spot. novakh@sympatico.ca

YEAR OF MERCY CLOSING CELEBRATIONS

The conclusion of the Year of Mercy will be celebrated with an Evening Prayer celebration on **Friday, November 18th, 2016** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton.

Archbishop Donald Bolen of Regina will offer a reflective talk on the Year of Mercy following Evening Prayer.

On **Sunday, November 20th**, Bishop Crosby will preach at the Masses on the Feast of Christ the King at the Cathedral Basilica. All those attending will enter the church through the Doors of Mercy. Masses at the Cathedral Basilica are Saturday at 5:00 p.m.; Sunday at 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; and 4:00 p.m.

All are welcome.



ALL SOULS DAY CELEBRATIONS

All are welcome to attend the annual **All Souls Day Mass** on Sunday, **October 30, at 2:00 p.m.** at **Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.**

The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby,

OMI, Bishop of Hamilton.

Prayers:

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



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKE VAJE

V četrtek, po večerni maši so pevske vaje za mešani pevski zbor. .

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 30. oktober: **Mass 2:00 p.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**; after Mass we will pray on different cemeteries for all deceased parishioners.
- ◆ 2. november: **London-Cemetery**: Mass 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ 6. november: **Lipa park** - Martinovanje - "Šibaj"
- ◆ 12. november: **St. Gregory** - Martinovanje-"Brajda"
- ◆ 13. november: **Slovenski park** - Fall Member's meeting; **London-Triglav**: Maša 2:00 p.m. and indoor bowling.
- ◆ 19. november: **Bled** - Hunter's banquet; **Sava-Breslau** - Hunter's banquet
- ◆ 27. november: **Sava-Breslau** - Maša 1:00 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Villa Slovenia Bingo is now every Monday at 1:00 PM. All members of our Parish and friends are welcome to join us. It is good to stimulate the mind - come and play bingo with us!!!

Tuesday Social Evenings is from now on every Tuesday after 7:00 p.m.. Come out to play cards, chess, pool, shuffle board or just to socialize. It is a great way to join your parish friends and get out for an evening.

VSI SVETI - MAŠA - MOLITVE

V nedeljo, **30. oktobra** bo na pokopališču Holy Sepulchre-Burlington sveta maša ob praznovanju Vseh svetih. Sveto mašo bo vodil hamiltonski škof Douglas Crosby.

Po maši se bomo zbrali pri križu k molitvi za rajne, ki počivajo na tem pokopališču.

Na pokopališču Gate of Heaven bodo molitve za rajne ob 3:30 popoldne.

Na pokopališču Our Lady of the Angels pa bodo molitve ob 5:00 popoldne. Zbrali se bomo, kot že nekaj zadnjih let, v mavzoleju.

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠATA

- ◆ **30. oktober, 9:30 am:** Gizela Hauzar in Emilija Mertuk

DAROVI

Za gradbeni sklad /streho/ so darovali:

- \$300 - N.N.
- \$100 - Manja Erzetič
- \$100 - Matija in Joyce Tompa

V spomin na pokojno Irmo Gerič so darovali:

- \$100 - Olga in Janet Čulig
- \$30 - Matila Prša
- \$50 - Jožica Hapke

Hvala vsem za vaše darove. Bog vam povrni.

IZLET V SLOVENIJO - 2017

Jože Razpotnik zbira informacije, če bi se nabralo dovolj zanimanja za izlet v Slovenijo in Madžarsko (Budimpešta). Predvideni čas je od 25. junija do 10. julija 2017. Za več informacij ga pokličite na telefon: 1-519-461-0653.

HAITI EMERGENCY COLLECTION

Pastors have received information from CCODP about a special collection for Haiti to assist in recovery from the recent devastation by Hurricane Matthew. A **special collection** may be held between now and the end of November at the discretion of the Pastor – proceeds to be sent to the Chancery and will be forwarded to CCODP. Please be generous! - The Most Rev. *Douglas Crosby*.

Our collection for »**HAITI EMERGENCY**« will take place on **Sunday November 13, 2016**. There are special envelopes at the entrance of the Church!

PRVI PETEK - FIRST FRIDAY

Ta teden je prvi petek v novembru. Obiskal bom bolnike, zvečer pa bo priložnost za spoved, molitev pred Najsvetejšim in mašo.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu novembru bo večna luč gorela za pokojnega Antona in Tilko Vengar, po namenu družine Žvan.

CWL GENERAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 2ND

Our monthly **General Meeting** will be held this **Wednesday, Nov 2nd, following 7:00 pm mass**. We have some important planning to discuss. **All members are encouraged to attend** and any **ladies** of the parish **interested in the CWL as welcomed** to join our meeting.

POKOJNI

V torek 25. oktobra je v 75. letu starosti, odšla k Bogu po večno plačilo, naša faranka **Albina Baznik**. Molitve bodo v ponedeljek, 31. oktobra ob 5:00h popoldne v Smith Funeral Home, Guelph Line. Pogreb bo v torek, 1. novembra ob 10:00h v naši cerkvi, pokopana pa bo na Gate of Heaven pokopališču. Iskreno sožalje možu Alojzu, pokojna Albina pa naj uživa večni mir in pokoj.

VOKALNA SKUPINA PLAMEN

V nedeljo, 6. novembra 2016 bo pri slovenski maši pela **Vokalna skupina Plamen** pod umetniškim vodstvom Marije Ahačič Pollak. Po maši bodo v cerkvi zapele še nekaj svojih pesmi. Skupina letos obhaja 25-letnico obstoja in so 30. aprila letos že obeležile svoj jubilej s koncertom v dvorani na Brown's Line. Avtusta pa so imele svojo turnejo po Sloveniji.



Gage park - Krizanteme



DON BOSCO

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.

Od 30. 10. 2016
Do 6. 11. 2016

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

31. NEDELJA MED LETOM	† Za žive in rajne župljane		
	† Joseph Nedelko	9:30 A.M.	Štefan in Francka Antolin
30. OKTOBER	† Jože Koželj	11:00 A.M.	Družina Mlačak
	† Štefan Gonza (Holy Sepulchre Cemet.)	2:00 P.M.	Žena Vera z družino
<i>Marcel, mučenec</i>	Prayer at the Cemeteries: 3:00 p.m.- Holy Sepulchre Cemetery; 3:30 p.m. - Gate of Heaven Cemetery; 5:00 p.m. - Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery		
PONEDELJEK-MONDAY	† Jože Bugar, obl.	7:00 P.M.	Mihael in Marija Špiler
	† Albin Žagar		Family Žagar
31. OKTOBER	† Martina Kolar		Mož
	†† Ivan in Ivanka Žigon		Sin Ivan z družino
TOREK - TUESDAY	† Albina Baznik	10:00 A.M.	Pogrebna maša
	† Frank Gimpelj	7:00 P.M.	Žena z družino
1. NOVEMBER	†† Janko in Tončka Demšar		Družini Demšar-Scarcelli
	†† Rajni Hodnik, Šribar, Erzetič		Manja Erzetič
VSI SVETI	† Marija Grebenc		Lojze in Peter Grebenc
	† George Madronich		Žena Ida Madronich
SREDA - WEDNESDAY	† Štefan Horvat	Maša v mavzoleju na 2:00 P.M.	Vera Lackovič
	† Štefan Horvat	pokopališču	Joe in Olga Hanc
2. NOVEMBER	For sick and recovering members	7:00 P.M.	CWL - KZZ
	† Marija Grebenc		Lojze in Peter Grebenc
SPOMIN VERNIH RAJNIH	†† Pokojni iz družine Železen		Cecilija Lehner
	†† Pokojni iz družin Mes in Sraka		Družina Mes
	†† Pokojni iz družin Rajter in Horvat		Družina Mes
ČETRTEK - THURSDAY	† Janko Sever	7:00 P.M.	Pavla Kunej
	† Franc Jernejčič, obl.		Hči Sonja Langenus
3. NOVEMBER	†† Pokojni iz družine Kološa		Majda Salajko
	†† Ivan in Marija Vrabič		Mihael in Marija Špiler
	† Lyn Lobo		Angleški & mešani zbor
PRVI PETEK FIRST FRIDAY	† Za verne duše v vicah	7:00 P.M.	Tone in Marija Bukvič
	† Zdravko Troha		Danica Maradin
4. NOVEMBER	†† Apolonija Marič (redovnica)		Jože in Albina Antolin
	†† Matija in Terezija Marič		Jože in Albina Antolin
SOBOTA SATURDAY	†† Rajni salezijanski dobrotniki	8:00 A.M.	SDB
	†† Pokojni sorodniki in prijatelji	5:30 P.M.	Julija Sagadin z družino
5. NOVEMBER	† Ivan Tompa		Verona in Joe Tompa
	† Slavko Slobodnik		Anton Klamfar
<i>Zaharija in Elizabeta</i>	†† Pokojni iz družine Doberšek		Marija Košir
	† Vinko Cestnik		Družina
32. NEDELJA MED LETOM	Za žive in rajne župljane	9:30 A.M.	
	†† Rozina, Alojz & Matilda Zorko, Darinka Ferletič		Ferletič Milan in Sandy
6. NOVEMBER	† Ivan Tompa	11:00 A.M.	Anica Miklavčič
<i>Lenart (Narte), opat</i>			