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**5TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

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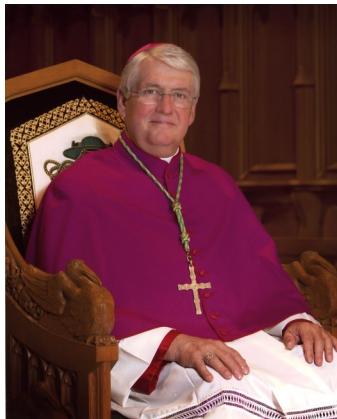
Trta in mladike

5. velikonočna nedelja nas želi vzugajati za vsakdanje delo kristjana, ki računa s svojimi slabostmi. Mora tudi vedeti, kaj je v njegovem življenju glavno, če hoče biti res Kristusov učenec) To je ljubezen, ki se posebej kaže v dejanjih. Moč za tako življenje ljubezni bo črpal iz samega Kristusa, če bo z njim tesno, življenjsko povezan.

V začetku 1. berila slišimo o Savlu, ki je prej v svoji človeški omejenosti in zaslepljenosti preganjal kristjane. A ko se ga je Kristus dotaknil, je spregledal in se spreobrnil. Težko verjamemo v svoje spreobrnjenje in tudi v spremembo drugih. A vendar Bog res spreobrača, tudi danes. Pravzaprav je pristno krščansko življenje nenehno spreobračanje. Tako tudi svoja mala spreobrnjenja lahko doživljamo kot pravo osvežitev svoje vere. Nihče pa se ne spreobrne samo zase, ampak tudi za druge. Človek je namreč družbeno bitje in vedno vpliva tudi na druge.

Apostol Janez v 2. berilu opozarja na nekaj, kar je tudi danes in bo v prihodnje za kristjane pomembno. Vemo za prvo največjo zapoved, ki je pravzaprav tudi edina - ljubezen. Vendar je to beseda, ki zelo lepo zveni in o kateri si lahko vsak svoje misli. Posebno za mlade je zapeljiva. V resnici pa je v življenju najzahtevnejša krepost. Zato Janez kliče: »Ne ljubimo z besedo, tudi ne z jezikom, ampak v dejanju in resnici.«

Isti apostol Janez v evanđeliju navaja Jezusovo lepo primera: »Jaz sem prava vinska trta in moj Oče je vinogradnik.« Vse je odvisno od trte, od trsa in seveda od mladik, ki morajo črpati svoj življenjski sok iz njega. In če mladika ne rodi, je znak, da ne živi iz trte, ampak iz sebe. Če je polna grozdov, je to zasluga matere trte. Enako je s kristjanom: če živi iz Kristusa, bo res to, kar se imenuje. Če bo nosil samo ime, živel pa iz sebe in zase, bo, kot pravi Jezus, Oče »mladiko, katera ne rodi sadu, odstranil.« Zato Jezus ljubeče vabi nas ljudi: »Ostanite v meni,« potem bom lahko »jaz v vas...«. Sodobni človek pa je večkrat podoben tistemu pajku, ki se mu je zdela nekam visoko proti stropu segajoča nit njegove mreže odveč in jo je prekinil. A se mu je vsa lepo razpredena mreža sesula v umazano klobko.



April 30, 2015

Dear
Brothers
and Sisters
in Christ,

Since hearing the news of the devastating earthquake in Nepal, we have all been discussing the horror and sadness of this natural disaster. We have seen the destruction and daily we hear of the rising number of people who have lost their lives. In recent times, we have been spectators of so many natural disasters, but the generous people of the Diocese of Hamilton have always moved from spectator to participant, helping in the relief of suffering people.

Therefore, I am authorizing a special collection for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace to be taken up in all parishes on the weekend of **May 9-10, 2015**. Development and Peace works with Caritas Internationalis to provide emergency assistance in this and similar crises. Parishes are asked to forward their collection to the Chancery Office by May 19, 2015.

Our government has made the decision to launch a Matching Fund Program for the responses to the Nepal earthquake. Funds collected must be submitted to Development and Peace by May 25, 2015. With this in mind, I would like to suggest that all who



are blessed with gainful employment consider a donation of twenty-five dollars or more. When we join together as a Diocesan family we can do much to help alleviate the suffering of the people of Nepal.

Before placing your offering in an envelope, may you pause to thank God for the blessings you have received and reflect on the profound instruction of Jesus, "**whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me**".

Sincerely in the Risen Christ and Mary Immaculate,

+*Douglas Crosby, OMI*

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton

Kako bomo zbirali:

Zadaj v cerkvi si lahko vzamete posebne kuverte na katerih je nalepka: »**Collection for Nepal**«.

Na kuvero napišite številko svoje nedeljske kuverte in vaše ime in priimek.

Če boste napisali ček, napišete na:

»**St. Gregory the Great**«

Svoj dar oddajte najkasneje do nedelje 17. maja, ker moramo do 19. maja poslati zbrane darove na škofijo.

SPRING BANQUET

Our Spring Banquet last Sunday was a wonderful day. With a full house, sunshine outside and our special guest, Bishop Tonnos with us for the day, we really couldn't have asked for more.

As we continue our 50th Anniversary celebration, it is clear that the foundations of our parish, built by the original members of St. Gregory's, remain strong. The task of continuing that growth and maintaining what we have is going to take a little commitment and effort.

For this reason, the Parish Council initiative of "Say Yes," was introduced. We are asking everyone to "Say Yes," and volunteer for at least one task for our St. Gregory's community each year.

This will help to maintain our common goal of ensuring a place for us to enjoy our culture and heritage while growing spiritually.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I wish everyone a wonderful Sunday and remember, "Say Yes," when we call.



Iskrena zahvala župnijskemu pastoralnemu svetu in vsem, ki ste pomagali pri pripravi spomladanskega banketa. Hvala pevcem, tako mešanemu zboru kot angleškemu zboru za res lepo petje, bralcem, prinašalcem darov, Olgi, ki je lepo okrasila cerkev, ministrantom, Pavlu, vsem ki redno pobirate darove po cerkvi in vsem, ki ste kakorkoli pomagali, da je bilo goboslužje lepo.

Hvala vsem, ki ste v soboto in nedeljo zjutraj pripravili dvorano in vse potrebno za banket. Kuhinja je postregla kosilo za 239 udeležencev banketa. Hvala Mileni in pomočnicam v kuhinji. Prav tako hvala mladim, ki so stregli, delavcem pri baru in vsem, ki ste ob koncu pomagali pospraviti dvorano. Hvala Heidy, ki je povezovala program. Ob banketu ste darovali 9632 dolarjev. Bog naj vam stoteren plačnik.



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Response: Lord, from you comes my praise in the great congregation.

First reading Acts 9:26-31

Paul begins to preach but arouses hostility and has to leave Jerusalem.

Second Reading 1 John 3:18-24

St John says that if we keep his commandments the Lord will answer our prayers.

Gospel John 15:1-8

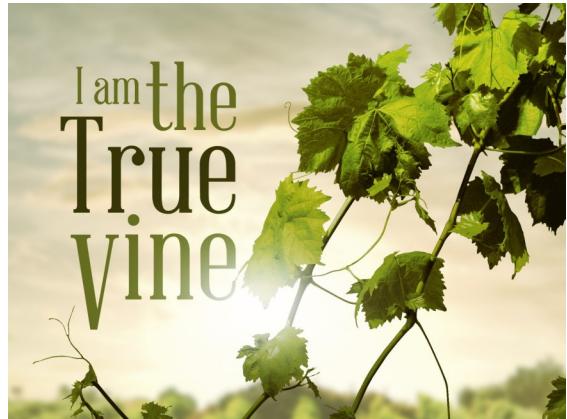
Jesus calls us to remain in him, for he is the vine and we are the branches.

"Make your home in me, as I make mine in you."

Illustration

Karl Rahner SJ, one of the great theologians of the last century, wrote many books in which he tried to make sense of the Catholic faith for his contemporaries. That's what a theologian has to do. Towards the end of his life he wrote an influential essay on the future of the Christian faith. It began with this provocative statement: "The Christian of the future will either be a 'mystic'... or... will cease to be anything at all."

Did he mean that we must all have visions like St Teresa of Avila? Karl Rahner thought that the old Catholic culture that he had known as a boy was fast disappearing, eroded by an increasingly secular world. It meant that the average Christian could not depend on a Christian culture that everyone took for granted. So he thought that unless Christians had a deep and personal experience of God they would not be able to keep up the practice of their faith. That is all he meant by saying that each per-



son needed to be a mystic. No matter how big the institutional Church seems to be, if its members do not have in them the life blood of a personal encounter with God, then it will wither away.

Gospel Teaching

Jesus took for granted that his Jewish faith needed laws and institutions like the Temple if it was going to transmit its message to the next generation. And so he knew that his Church must be built on the rock of Peter; then God would preserve it from all its enemies. But in today's Gospel, he tells his disciples at the Last Supper that if they are to survive they must remain close to him. He takes the image of the vineyard, which was used to represent Israel in the Old Testament, and in a sense identifies himself with it by saying: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser."

If the disciples are to survive then they must be branches of Jesus, the vine. And just as a vine is pruned to make it more fruitful, the disciples will also grow by being tested in their faith. Jesus tells them to remain close to him and have the living sap flowing in their branches, or else they will shrivel up. He insists that at the heart of their faith there is this close personal relationship with him: "Make your home in me, as I make mine in you." As they are

united in Christ so they will be united through him to the Father. But this experience is not just for special members of the Church, like the apostles. The Spirit is given to everyone. All are called to have this "mystic" experience of being so close to Christ in their daily life that they produce good fruit.

Application

It is easy to get carried along by externals. The Church is essential to our faith. We cannot say, as some do, that we want Jesus but not the Church. In the Creed we affirm our belief in Jesus Christ and also in "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church". The institutional Church is a key part of our faith, but there is always the danger of just going through the motions and dying on the vine. The institution will shrivel unless its members have the sap of the living Christ flowing through them.

As Karl Rahner pointed out, it is much more difficult now to be carried along by other people's faith in a society that is both secular and often hostile to our beliefs. How can we produce the fruit that will show that Christ's Church is alive and well? We do not need to be mystics like some of the great saints, but to make sure our practice of the faith, whether it is going to Mass or saying our prayers, is firmly based on a close personal relationship with Jesus. We don't at first have to *do* anything but rather to be at peace in his presence, to allow him to dwell in us. Then we can share a deep communion with him as we receive his body and blood in the Eucharist. If we change the image from sap, we could say that his real presence in his blood gives us new life. If we do have this close relationship of the branch to the "true vine", then it will produce good fruits especially in the way we love God and one another.

MATERINSKI DAN 2015

Slovenska šola pri sv. Gregoriju prireja kosilo in bogat kulturni program za Materinski dan v nedeljo **10. maja**. Sv. maša je **samo ob 10:00 dopoldne**, kosilo ob 12:00. Po kosilu sledi kulturni program.

Že sedaj Vas prosimo, da si to nedeljo rezervirate za nas. Istočasno vas prosimo tudi, da si čimprej rezervirate vstopnice tako da pokličete Sandy Allen (905-977-8464) ali pošljete elektronsko sporočilo na: alexrallen@live.com.

MOTHER'S DAY 2015

The Slovenian School at St. Gregory The Great cordially invites everyone to celebrate its annual Mother's Day with them on Sunday, **May 10th**. Mass will be **only at 10:00 a.m.**. An excellent lunch will be cooked and served at 12:00 noon followed by a rich cultural program.

Please plan to spend part of this day with us. For reservations, please call Sandy Allen (905-977-8464) or email Sandy Allen (alexrallen@live.com) as soon as possible.



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKI ZBOR - VAJE

Nalednje vaje za mešani pevski zbor bodo v četrtek 7. maja po večerni maši. Pripravili se bomo za materinski dan, ki bo v nedeljo 10. maja. Takrat bo zopet sveta maša samo ob 10:00h dopoldne.



DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 3. maj: **Sava** - maša ob 1:00 p.m., **London-St. John the Divine** - maša ob 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ 10. maj: **Materinski dan - Mother's Day** - maša **ob 10:00 a.m.**, 12:00 kosilo v dvorani - nato nastop otrok Slovenske šole
- ◆ 31. maj-nedelja: **Prvo sveto obhajilo** - sveta maša bo samo **ob 10:00 a.m.**
- ◆ 7. junij-nedelja: **Procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi - 10:00 a.m.**; ob 1:30 p.m. - **Katedrala: maša za obletnice porok**; ob 2:00 p.m. - **London-Triglav**, maša in procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi.
- ◆ 21. junij: **Bled-Planica 13** - Father's Day - maša ob 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ 27. junij - sobota: **SLOVENSKI DAN v Slovenskem parku** - maša s procesijo ob 10:00 a.m., 12:00 kosilo, 2:00 p.m. Kulturni program - Otroške igre - Zabavni večer

BARAGOVI DNEVI 2015

Letošnji Baragovi dnevi bodo v **Clevelandu** in sicer za »long weekend« v septembru, t.j. **V soboto 5. in v nedeljo 6. septembra**. Tudi naša župnija organizira avtobus za to romanje in če bi želeli iti z nami, se prijavite Tereziji Sarjaš. Za začetek je dovolj, da vemo, če bomo imeli dovolj interesentov.

Odhod bo v soboto zjutraj, ker je samo dobre štiri ure vožnje in nekaj časa računamo za prehod meje. Sveti maše bodo v slovenskih cerkvah sv. Vida (v soboto zvečer - v angleščini) in pri Mariji vnebovzeti (v nedeljo dopoldne v slovenščini).

Trenutno gledamo za primeren hotel in tudi razmišljamo, če bodo organizirali kakšno prireditev na kateri od pristav, da bi se morda zaustavili še tam v ponедeljek, sicer bomo prišli domov v nedeljo zvečer.

POKOJNI

V četrtek, 30. aprila 2015 je v 92. letu starosti odšel k Bogu po večno plačilo, naš faran **JOHN (JANEZ) KOŠIR**. Zadnje dni je bil v bolnici Jospeh Brant v Burlingotnu in tam tudi umrl. Pokojni Janez se je rodil v soboto, 30. septembra 1922. Od pokojnega se boste lahko poslovili v sredo, 6. maja od 3-5h ali 7-9h zvečer v Smith's Funeral Home na 1167 Guelph Line, Burlington. Pogrebna sveta maša bo v cerkvi Sv. Rafaela v Burlingtonu (kamor je pokojni skupaj z ženo hodil, odkar so prišli v Burlington) v četrtek, 7. maja ob 11:00 dopoldne. Pogreb pokojnega bo na Gate of Heaven pokopališču, takoj po maši. Iskreno sožalje ženi in otrokom. Pokojni Janez naj uživa božji mir in pokoj.

PRVO SVETO OBHAJILO

Praznik prvega svetega obhajila je zadnja leta vedno zadnjo nedeljo v maju. Letos bo to tudi zadnji dan meseca, **31. maj**. Liturgično obhajamo praznik sv. Trojice.

Ta dan bo **samo ena sveta maša ob 10:00** dopoldne. Začeli bomo, kot je navada, pri kipu Marije Pomočnice, za dvorano in nato nadaljevali s sveto mašo v cerkvi. Priporočamo v molitev prvoobhajance in njihove starše.



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 3. 5. 2015
Do 10. 5. 2015

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

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| 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | za žive in rajne župljane | 9:30 A.M. | |
| 5. VELKONOČNA | † Frank Gimpelj | Brat Jože z družino | |
| 3. MAJ | † Albin Žagar | 11:00 A.M. Anna Čepuran | |
| <i>Filip in Jakob, apostola</i> | †† Jože in Ana Šutej /Sava-Breslav/ †† Pokojni člani društva Triglav | 1:00 P.M. Hči Anica Kobetič 4:00 P.M. St. John the Divine Church | |
| PONEDELJEK | † Štefan Gonza | 7:00 P.M. Ignac in Marija Horvat z druž. | |
| MONDAY | † Jože Vuk | Ignac in Marija Horvat z druž. | |
| 4. MAJ | † Terezija Hajdinjak | Marija Hočevar | |
| <i>Florijan, mučenec</i> | † Avril Miklavčič | Tom & Mary Miklavčič | |
| TOREK - TUESDAY | † Metod Kuzma | 7:00 P.M. Sestra Jožica z družino | |
| 5. MAJ | †† Irma in Ludvik Hull | Sister-in-law | |
| <i>Angel, mučenec</i> | † Jože Bregar, obl. † Ivanka Brinovčar | Žena z družino Zalka Pušić z družino | |
| SREDA - WEDNESDAY | †† Sorodniki in prijatelji | 7:00 P.M. Vera Gonza z družino | |
| 6. MAJ | †† Alojz in Julijana Pozderec | Hči Julijana Sagadin z druž. | |
| <i>Dominik Savio, mladen.</i> | † Sidonija Drvarič † Terezija Halas | Družina Pinter Anica Guštin | |
| ČETRTEK - THURSDAY | † Edi Kovač | 7:00 P.M. Milka Kovačič | |
| 7. MAJ | †† Edi in Alex Pučko | Družina Pučko | |
| <i>Gizela, opatinja</i> | †† Frančiška in Stane Napast | Družina Pinter | |
| | † Elizabeth Ferko | Družina Pinter | |
| PETEK - FRIDAY | †† Pokojni iz druž. Zagorc in Erzar | 7:00 P.M. Frank Erzar z družino | |
| 8. MAJ | † Štefan Prša | Žena z družino | |
| <i>Bonifacij, papež</i> | †† Ivan in Apolonija Gjerek | Hči z družino | |
| | † Marija Lojner | Ignac Kolenko z družino | |
| SOBOTA | † Alojz Gačnik | 8:00 A.M. Žena | |
| SATURDAY | † Terezija Hajdinjak | 5:30 P.M. Terezija Zadravec z družino | |
| 9. MAJ | Mariji Brezmadežni v zahvalo | Marija | |
| <i>Pahomij, puščavnik</i> | † Štefan Gonza | Glavač Marija | |
| | † Štefan Gonza | Ignac in Marija Korošec z dr. | |
| | † Frančiška Napast | Družina Pinter | |
| 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | za žive in rajne župljane | 10:00 A.M. | |
| 6. VELKONOČNA | † Janez Kosednar | Žena Hema z družino | |
| 10. MAJ | †† Frank in Vera Staniša | Sin Frank z družino | |
| <i>Job, svetopisemki mož</i> | MATERINSKI DAN-Mother's Day | 12:00 NOON ZGORNJA DVORANA | |
| <i>Mother's Day</i> | | | |