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BELA NEDELJA

**2ND SUNDAY OF
EASTER
Divine Mercy**

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Treba ga je imeti rad

Iz Tomaževega primera ni težko razbrati, da vere ni mogoče vsiliti. Lahko človeka poučujemo, lahko mu razlagamo in mu dokazujemo, toda vere mu dati ne moremo. To more storiti le Bog. Tomaža so apostoli prepričevali in mu na vse načine dokazovali, da Gospod živi, a zaman. Vztrajal je: Če ne bom videl, ne bom veroval. Ko pa je Jezusa osebno srečal, so vsi pomisleki na mah odpadli.

Vprašujemo se tudi sami: Odkod naša vera? Učili so nas starši, hodili smo k verouku.

Toda tudi to ni dovolj. Tomaža so apostoli prepričevali, toliko naših sodobnikov so starši versko vzgajali, toliko jih je obiskovalo verouk, pa danes niso verni. Zakaj torej mi verujemo, oni pa ne?

Nekaj je moralo biti poleg vsega poučevanja in prepričevanja. Neko osebno srečanje z vstalim Gospodom. Neko notranje doživetje, ko se nam je v globini duše Bog razodel, da smo padli predenj in priznali s Tomažem: Moj Gospod in moj Bog! Bilo je verjeno manj slovesno kot pri Tomažu, vendar, če ne bi bilo tega, tudi naše vere ne bi bilo.

Zato moramo biti zelo obzirni pri presojanju nevere sodobnih Tomažev. Morda se jim Jezus še ni prikazal. Mogoče je bilo tudi naše pričevanje premalo prepričevalno.

Najbrž pa je še neki razloček. Ta je v odprtosti in sprejemljivosti srca. Jezus se ni prikazal ne Pilatu ne Herodu ne nikomur od tistih, ki so mu želeli in povzročili smrt. Tudi če bi se jim prikazal, bi ga skušali ponovno križati. Zakaj? Ker ga niso imeli radi. Ker niso hoteli, da bi bil živ.

Jezus se je prikazal tistim, ki so ga ljubili. Ljubili celo takrat, ko je bil že mrtev. Da se ti Jezus prikaže, ga moraš imeti rad. /Franc Cerar/



BLAGOSLOV JEDIL NA VELIKO SOBOTO

Vsako leto imamo blagoslov jedil tudi v skupnosti London in Sava Kitchener. V Londonu, v cerkvi St. John the Divine smo se zbrali k blagoslovu že ob 10h dopoldne. Prišlo je celo nekaj Poljakov. Pri društvu Sava smo blagoslovili jedila ob dvanajstih. Tudi tam se je zbrala lepa množica, o čemer se lahko prepričate na slikah. V naši župnijski cerkvi pa smo nadaljevali popoldne ob 3, 4 in 5-tih. Kot navadno je bila pri prvem blagoslovu cerkev skoraj polna. Zvečer ob osmih je bil začetek Velikonočne vigilijske pri kateri je sodelovalo lepo število bralcev beril, pel je mešani zbor, otroci so izrekli prošnje, družina Miklavčič Tom in Mary je prinašala darove. Kot običajno je bila med mašo procesija s kipom vstalega Zveličarja. Iskrena hvala vsem, ki ste pripravili cerkev, Olgii, da jo je okrasila in spekla tudi kruh, ministrantom zakristanoma, pevcem in pevovoju.

London St. John the Divine Church





Sunday's Readings

2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy

Response: **“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.”**

First Reading Acts 5:12-16

A vignette of life in the early Church.

Second Reading Rivelation 1:9-13, 17-19

John, who shares the distress and the hopes of his readers, is to record visions received from Christ, the crucified and risen one.

Gospel John 20:19-31

Jesus reveals his divine mercy to his disciples, and empowers them to reveal it to us who believe.

“Jesus came and stood among them.”

Illustration

Aida was chatting to her parish priest after Mass. “It was in 1945,” she explained, “in the wee small hours that the front-door bell rang. I was on my own. Six months earlier a telegram from the War Office reported that my husband – we’d been married only a matter of weeks before he was sent abroad – was missing, presumed dead; a later message said he might have been captured, but after that – silence. So, being alone in the house, my first reaction was to snuggle under the bedclothes. But the bell rang again – and again. Finally, I tiptoed downstairs, slipped the guard chain into place and opened the door a fraction.



“The figure on the doorstep turned towards me and spoke, called me by name. It was my husband. And for a moment my heart stood still.” After a pause, Aida continued: “Perhaps you can understand why today’s Mass, and especially today’s Gospel, means so much to me. I feel I’ve had a taste first hand of the joy and unbelievable excitement the apostles must have experienced on the first Easter Sunday.”

Gospel Teaching

But of course on that first Easter Sunday evening it wasn’t simply someone missing, presumed dead, who appeared in the midst of the disciples. It was someone who had been put to a horrific death, who had lain lifeless in a tomb for the best part of three days, and who now stood in their midst, alive and radiant. He hadn’t even needed to knock at the barred door.

Yes, of course there was excitement in the hearts of the disciples, and joy, even an element of disbelief; but was there perhaps something else?

The last time Jesus saw them, they were taking to their heels like a bunch of cowards; later their spokesman, Simon Peter, swore that he didn't even know Jesus. What would happen now? They didn't have long to wait; and it wasn't at all what they had feared. No word of reproach – instead, the incredible message, twice repeated, "Peace be with you." They were words not just of greeting but of absolution. Peace, God-given peace, came welling up in their hearts.

Wordlessly, Jesus showed them the wounds in his hands and side. The wound in his side led straight to his sacred heart, the source of limitless love and mercy and compassion. Then he breathed out upon the apostles the mighty power of the Holy Spirit and sent them, just as the Father had sent him, to bring God's forgiveness and peace to the world.

The apostle Thomas was absent on that occasion and was reluctant to accept the word of others. He wanted to see the risen Lord for himself, wanted to feel the marks of his wounds. One week later he got his wish. His reaction was a glorious cry of faith, "My Lord and my God!", which in turn earned the wonderful response from Jesus: "Happy" – truly blessed – "are those who have not seen and yet believe."

Application

Of course, we have not seen; and that means that we are truly blessed – at least, we are if we truly believe. But do we believe? Do we believe that Jesus' divine heart is ablaze with love and mercy for us at this very moment? That there is no weakness of ours that he does not understand, no sin of ours that he will not forgive, no time of day or night when he is not totally interested in us? Remembering our Lord's own words, "Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them", do

we try to mirror his compassion in our dealings with others? Do we believe that just as Jesus is present in the Eucharist as food for our souls, so he is present in the sacrament of reconciliation as forgiveness for our sins, as the physician who can cure every ill? And do we act on that belief by making regular use of the confessional, or has the sacrament of God's compassion been airbrushed out of our Catholic lives?

In the year 2000 Blessed John Paul II announced that this Sunday, the first after Easter, would be celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. "The Divine Mercy", he explained, "is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity." To accept that gift, to open our hearts to the Lord's boundless mercy, is already to experience something of the unbelievable joy and peace that the apostles experienced on the first Easter Sunday



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEVSKI ZBOR

Pevske vaje za mešani zbor bodo v **četrtek** po večerni maši. Zbor poje naslednjič 14. aprila, ko imamo v naši župniji spomladanski banket.



DAROVI

Za gradbeni sklad Je Terezija Jerič darovala \$100; Gizella in Štefan Ray sta darovala \$80 za misijone in \$35 za cerkev namesto cvetja na grob pokojnega Franka Gimplja. Hvala vsem!

KONZULARNE URE V TORONTU

Veleposlaništvo Republike Slovenije v Ottawi obvešča, da bodo konzularne ure v prostorih Generalnega konzulata Republike Slovenije v Torontu (naslov: 747 Browns Line, Etobicoke, tel.: 416 201 8307) v naslednjih mesecih potekale:

- sobota **13. april 2013**, od 11.30 do 16.30 ure
- petek **3. maj 2013**, od 11.30 do 16.30 ure
- sobota **8. junij 2013**, od 11.30 in 16.30 ure
- v torek **25. junij 2013**, od 14.00 do 17.00 ure

Naslednji predvideni termin konzularnih ur je v drugi polovici julija in nato v septembru.

Nov potni list si lahko uredite le osebno na Veleposlaništvo RS v Ottawi. priporočamo, da se predhodno dogovorite za termin obiska (telefon: 613 565 5781 ali e- pošta: VOT@gov.si).

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES

The multinational One Million Rosaries for unborn babies prayer event is scheduled to happen from May 3rd to May 5th. The Rosary will be prayed for the following intention: For an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn

human persons. You can register by going to the website www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ◆ 7. april 2013: Maša v Kitchenerju ob 1:00 p.m. Nato sestanek Niagarske koordinacije za Slovenski dan 2013.
- ◆ 14. april 2013: **SPOMLADANSKI BANKET:** Čimprej se prijavite! Prijave sprejema Terezija Sarjaš 905-560-1218.
- ◆ 13. maj 2013: MATERINSKI DAN
- ◆ 26. maj 2013: PRVO OBHAJILO
- ◆ 2. junij 2013: Procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi v župniji in popoldne v Londonu;
- ◆ 9. junij 2013: 1:00 p.m. - Procesija sv. Rešnjega Telesa in Krvi v Slovenskem parku.
- ◆ 16. junij 2013: Očetovski dan - Bled /12:30/
- ◆ 23. junij 2013: **SLOVENSKI DAN** - Društvo SAVA

SPOMLADANSKI BANKET FALL BANQUET

Nedelja, 14. april 2013

Župnijska dvorana sv. Gregorija Velikega

Zbiranje ob 12:00 noon

Kosilo ob 12:30 p.m.

Vabljeni, da skupaj obhajamo spomladanski dan naše župnijske skupnosti

Prijave zbira Terezija Sarjaš 905-560-1218

GOOD FRIDAY - FISH FRY: Slovenska šola je že drugo leto organizirala, da so si lahko vsi, ki so želeli, po končanih obredih Velikega petka v cerkvi, lahko kupili sveže pečene ribe in francoski krompir v naši župnijski dvorani. Okrog tristo se je te priložnosti poslužilo, kar je več kot lansko leto. Hvala ekipi starišev z Debbie na čelu, ki so organizirali in pripravili dvorano in poskrbeli, da je vsakdo sorazmerno hitro bil postrežen.



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.

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SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

BELA NEDELJA 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY 07. APRIL	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Jože in Marija Zelko †† Pokojni iz družine Vaupotič †† Pokojni člani društva	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	Marija in Toni Franc Bojan Milosavljevič z družino Društvo Sava - Breslav
PONEDELJEK MONDAY 08. APRIL <i>Julija, redovnica</i>	†† Martin in Terezija vinčec, obl. † Ignac Krampač † Janez Hočevar † Tomislav Janošević † Evica Rev	7:00 P.M.	Olga in Janez Čulig Olga in Janez Čulig Slovenia Credit Union Žena in sin Družina Rev
TOREK TUESDAY 09. APRIL <i>Hugo, škof</i>	†† Alojz, Jela in Tjaša †† Anton in Malka Marušič † Frank Lukšič † Vinko Kovič	8:00 A.M.	Manja Erzetič Frank in Thea Marušič Sestra in družina Flora Menegaldo
SREDA WEDNESDAY 10. APRIL <i>Ezekiel, prerok</i>	† Ivan Žerdin † Katarina Žalec † Janez Hočevar †† Tomaž in Jože Langenfus, obl. † Stanko Ferenčak	7:00 P.M.	Joe Ftičar Betty Gimpelj z družino Rozina Horvat Sonja Langenfus Martin in Regina Nedelko
ČETRTEK THURSDAY 11. APRIL <i>Stanislav, škof-mučenec</i>	† Štefan Prša †† Pokojni iz druž. Vehovec †† Ivan in Ethel Simončič †† Sorodniki in prijatelji	7:00 P.M.	Ana Matajič Slava Gomboša Frank Gimpelj z družino Vera in Štefan Gonza
PETEK FRIDAY 12. APRIL <i>Vincencij Ferer, duh.</i>	† Ivan Sobočan †† Družina Buček †† Ivan in Ethel Simončič † Marija Petek	7:00 P.M.	Slava Gomboša Marija Hočevar Lojzka Saje Regina Halas
SOBOTA SATURDAY 13. APRIL <i>Viljem, opat</i>	† Jožef Sarjaš † Stane Napast †† Julijana in Tilka Esih † Boris Madon † Štefan prša	8:00 A.M. 5:30 P.M.	Družina A. Sarjaš Žena Franciška Napast z dru. Marija Košir Milda Žigon z družino Elizabeta Gerič z družino
3. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER 14. APRIL	Za žive in rajne župljane †† Marija in Martin Ternar † Marija Suhadolc SPOMLADANSKI BANKET	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 12:00 NOON	Družina Zver Anton Suhadolc Župnijska dvorana