

## 2. POSTNA NEDELJA

5. marca 2023    Leto A    Št. 10

### Nedelja, 5. mar: 2. POSTNA NEDELJA

**ODPEV:** »Tvoja dobrotà, Gospod, naj bo nad nami.«  
*Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.*

#### Župnija Brezmadežne s Čudodelno Svetinjo:

**8.30** + Ernest Vrečič Sr. in Jr., *družina*

+ Starši Plut, *Jože Plut*

+ Matilda in Max Petrovič, *Marija Gustinčič*

+ Mona Cowell, *hčerke*

+ Amalia Testen, *družina*

+ Marijana Coprissi, *teta Helena Horvat*

+ Steve Marič, *žena*

+ Kristina Kovačič, *Ana in Jože Bartol*

+ France Marold, *Ana in Jože Bartol*

+ Rose Jarkovič, *Frank Kornik iz Clevelanda*

**10.00** *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Jože Kure, *Robert and Mary Kure*

+ Ivica Kern, *family Ferkul*

+ Alojz Kambič, *Saloma Kambič*

+ Anton Juha, *children*

+ Dora Benec, *the staff of St. Barbara C.E.S.*

+ David Šemen, *family*

+ Raffaella Truscillo, *family*

+ Anton Šemen, *wife and family*

+ Slavko Črepinšek, *Danny, Tony and Veronika*

#### Župnija Marija Pomagaj:

**10.00** + Alojzij in Terezija Petek, *Slavka Levstik*

+ Terezija in Karel Kromar, *otroci*

+ Iz družine Bakar, *J. Kastelic z družino*

+ France Godec - obl., *oporoka*

+ Sonja Kokal, *družina A. Stražar*

+ Karl Klement, *Ignac in Matilda Kranjec*

+ Iz družine Tkalec, *Ignac in Matilda Kranjec*

+ Štefan Kelenc, *Agata Žoldoš*

### Ponedeljek, 6. mar: FRIDOLIN (MIROSLAV), opat

**8.00** + Tone Remec, *H. Kumprey*

+ Pepca in Jože Zalar, *P.J.Z*

### Torek, 7. mar: PERPETUA IN FELICITA, mučenka

**8.00** + John Adamič, *družina*

+ Elka Šeber - 30 dan, *Marta in Anita*

+ Stane in Mimi Ugovšek, *družina Ugovšek*

### Sreda, 8. mar: JANEZ OD BOGA, redovnik

**8.00** + Peter in Ana Kotze, *hčerke*

+ Julka Žurbi, *družina Žurbi*

**8.30 - 6 pm Celodnevno čiščenje - All day adoration**

### Četrtek, 9. mar: FRANČIŠKA RIMSKA, redovnica

**8.00** + Dora Benec, *družina B. Čemas*

+ Jože in Angela Glivar, *J.A.G*

### Petek, 10. mar: 40 MUČENCEV

#### Župnija Brezmadežne s Čudodelno Svetinjo:

**8.00** + John in Cecilia Bain, *J.C.B.*

+ Ivan in Frančiška Preželj, *I.F.P.*

**6.30 pm križev pot**

**7.00 pm** + Pepca in Jože Zalar, *P.J.Z.*

#### Župnija Marija Pomagaj:

**9.30 križev pot**

**10.00** + Janez in Mara Muhič, *oporoka*

+ Ivan in Frančiška Preželj, *oporoka*

### Sobota, 11. mar: BENEDIKT, škof

**8.00** + Ana Sedej, *družina Ludvik.*

**5.00 pm** + Jože Čemas, *družina*

+ Ivan Pepelnak, *družina Pepelnak*

+ Iz družine Francelj, *M. T. Špehar*

+ Franc Frankovič - 30 dan, *družina*

+ Anton Remič, *družina Alfons Kumprej*

+ Luvis Kalc, *Marija Movrin*

### Nedelja, 12. mar: 3. POSTNA NEDELJA

#### Župnija Brezmadežne s Čudodelno Svetinjo:

**8.30** + Ana Horvat, *Helene Horvat*

+ Milan in Slava Jaklič, *Jože in Ivanka Pečarič*

+ Cvetka Pečarič, *Jože in Ivanka Pečarič*

+ Franc in Frančiška Zupančič, *K. Sterle*

+ Frank Žumer, *hčerka Sonya z družino*

+ Anton Vidmar obl. in Cirila Vidmar, *družina*

+ Jože Čemas, *družina Jakopin*

+ Strice in teta Bartol, *Jože in Ana Bartol*

+ Božica Gregov, *sestrična Helene Horvat*

+ Peter Intihar - obl., *družina Jakopin*

+ Franci Mervar, *družina Mervar*

**10.00** *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Anton and Mia Ferkul, *family Ferkul*

+ Tone Kern, *family Ferkul*

+ Christopher Nesich and family, *Florinda Zefi*

+ Viljem Ficko, *daughter and family*

+ Jožef and Liliana Šustar, *Danny and family*

+ Teresa Čontala, *daughters and family*

+ Mara Osredkar, *family*

#### Župnija Marija Pomagaj:

**10.00** + Lojze in Leopold Petek, *Slavka Levstik*

+ Terezija Gornik - obl., *družina*

+ Peter in Shirley Pečevnik, *Marija Kraljič*

+ Terezija in Karel Kromar, *otroci*

+ Stane Grm, *družina Grm*

+ Vinko Krizisnik, *Frank Kokelj*

+ Vinko Levstik, *Marija Chicorli z otroci*

+ Rudy in Anica Resnik, *Marjan Resnik*

+ Sonja Kokal, *Marta Demšar in John Bernik*

+ Marija in družine Mlakar, *družina Mlakar*

+ Štefan Kelenc, *družina Kelenc*

**POST - KRIŽEV POT:** vsak petek ob 6.30 zvečer pri Brezmadežni in ob 9.30 am pri Mariji Pomagaj. Lepo vabljeni!



**SHARELIFE NABIRKA je v nedeljo, 26. marca.** »darujete velikodušno. Z velikodušnim darovanjem lahko naredimo čudovite reči! «

**Living the Gospel through ShareLife**

**Our parish's second ShareLife collection will be held this weekend on March 26<sup>th</sup>** and we ask you to share your blessings and give generously through the parish. Thank you for living the Gospel!

“Your sacrificial gift will truly make a difference in the life of someone turning to a ShareLife agency in their moment of need.” - Cardinal Thomas Collins

**If issuing a cheque, kindly make it to for Browns Line - OLMM ShareLife or for Marija Pomagaj - OLHC ShareLife Please give generously. We can work wonders!**

**PARISH MEETING at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal on Sunday, March 12** at 11:30am (right after English Mass). Financials for 2022 will be presented. All parishioners welcome!

**MISIJONSKA TOMBOLA** bo **19. marca**. S tem želimo podpirati projekt g. Tomaža Mavriča za novo semenišče v Kongu. Prosim vas za tombolske dobitke.

**MISSION TOMBOLA** to help G. Tomaž Mavrič's project in Congo will be on **Sunday, March 19th**. You can bring new donations and prizes suitable for tombola to the parish office. Any gift bags you are not using can be brought to the parish office as well.

**HUMANITARIAN RELIEF- TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE**

Two devastating earthquakes and hundreds of violent aftershocks in Turkey and Syria have caused great destruction in both countries. As search and rescue operations continue, the latest reports indicate that there are more than 80,000 people injured and the rising death toll has now surpassed 50,000 people. Those wishing to help may either pay by cash (envelopes in the back) or, if by cheque payable to:

**Brezmadežna: OLMM – Turkey and Syria**  
(to date received \$2,060.)

**Marija Pomagaj: OLHC – Turkey and Syria**  
(to date received \$1,785.)

**Please continue to pray for those who have died and for those displaced because of this tragic disaster. Thank you for your continued assistance.**

**WOMEN OF THE FUR TRADE** play at the Studio Theater in Stratford, Ontario on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The play was written by Frances Končan an Anishinaabe and Slovenian writer originally from Couchiching First Nation. A passenger bus is being organized. For more information and tickets contact Marta 416-222-5999 or John 905-274-6391.

**SPAIN AND PORTUGAL TRIP** is being organized by Marta Demšar for October 12- 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The 16 day tour will have stops in Spain, Portugal and the Canary Islands.

Contact 905 274-6391 or 416 222-5999 for more information.

**RIDLEY SEMINAR** - You are invited to attend a free seminar about 'Wills and Probate' on Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm at the Ridley Funeral Home (3080 Lake Shore Blvd W). Join us as we learn about wills, probate and estate administration. Lawyer Jason Allan will be a guest speaker (question & answer period to follow). Gathering information *now* may make all the difference *later*. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please call 416-259-3705.



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ŽUPNIJA MARIJA POMAGAJ

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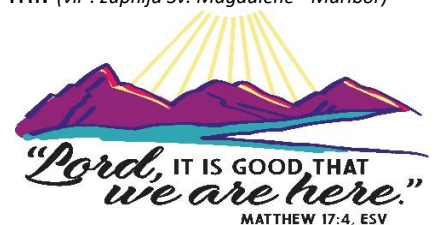
### POGLED Z DRUGAČNIMI OČMI



Kristus je svoje tri učence »Petra, Jakoba in Janeza peljal na visoko goro«. Na vprašanje, kako se vzpenjati na goro, bo izkušen gornik odgovoril, da počasi, a enakomerno in vztrajno. Svetoval bo, da se tu in tam za trenutek ustavimo in se ozremo na prehojeno pot ter občudujemo razgled in široko obzorje. Z vrha gore vidimo pokrajino, hiše, drevesa, poti, skratka vse, kar je, z drugačnimi očmi, kot jih vidimo takrat, ko hodimo tik ob njih. Z vrha vidimo stvari drugače, z drugačnim pogledom. Vemo, da »Bog vse vidi in vse ve« ter da mu ni nič skrito in vendar je večno blažen.

Če gledamo na svet z Božjimi očmi, bo ta spremenjen, mi pa blaženi kot apostoli na gori, kjer je bilo Petru tako lepo, da je rekel Jezusu: »Učenik, dobro je, da smo tukaj« in je hotel, da bi tam ostali. Na gori Tabor so Peter, Jakob in Janez zrl slavo Božjega Sina. Ključna točka je ta, da spremenjenje napoveduje vstajenje, to pa predpostavlja smrt. Jezus apostolom pokaže svojo slavo, da bi imeli moč soočiti se s škandalom križa. Dojeli so, da bo potrebno iti skozi trpljenje, da bi dosegli Božje kraljestvo. Kristus nam kaže, da je prava lepota Božja ljubezen, ki z lučjo vstajenja osvetljuje in spreminja tudi temno skrivnost smrti. Da bi vstopili v večno življenje, je potrebno poslušati Jezusa, mu slediti po poti križa. Poslušati ga, kakor ga je poslušala Marija. Poslušati ga v njegovi Besedi, ki jo varuje Sveto pismo. Poslušati ga v samih dogodkih našega življenja, prizadevajoč si iskati v njih sporočila Božje Previdnosti.

Poslušati ga v bratih, predvsem pa v najmanjših in najbolj ubogih, do katerih sam Jezus zahteva našo konkretno ljubezen. Ko vidimo Kristusa v spremenjeni luči in je On v središču, se spremenijo dimenzije stvari: v Božjih očeh so osebe velike, medtem ko so drevesa pomanjšana v majhne grmičke in gore služijo le za podnožje. To je pogled z Božjimi očmi. V vsakdanjem svetu je nevarno, da bi bil človek zaslepljen od materialnega in površinskega blišča stvarnosti. Cerkveni očetje namreč trdijo, da strastno zrenje materialnih stvari zatemni pogled duhovnih stvarnosti. Nučen je duhovni pogled, pogled vere, ki bo spremenil naše dožemanje oseb, stvarnosti in dogodkov. Spremenjenje na gori naj postane tudi program našega življenja: trudili se bomo, da bi videli svet v luči vere, z Božjimi očmi. Če bomo gledali v tej luči, se ne bo spremenil samo svet okrog nas, ampak se bomo spreminjali tudi mi. (vir : župnija Sv. Magdalene - Maribor)





# The transfiguration of the Lord

## What is the challenge for us today?

*In this Sunday's Gospel, we reflect on the importance of the transfiguration of our Lord. This biblical passage questions our own destiny and our own transfiguration. I would like to share with you a testimony, an experience to discover the beauty and the importance of this event which does not look just into the future but, challenges us in our daily life. The transfiguration questions us, Catholics, as to how we (can) radiate the joy of Christ and of our faith.*

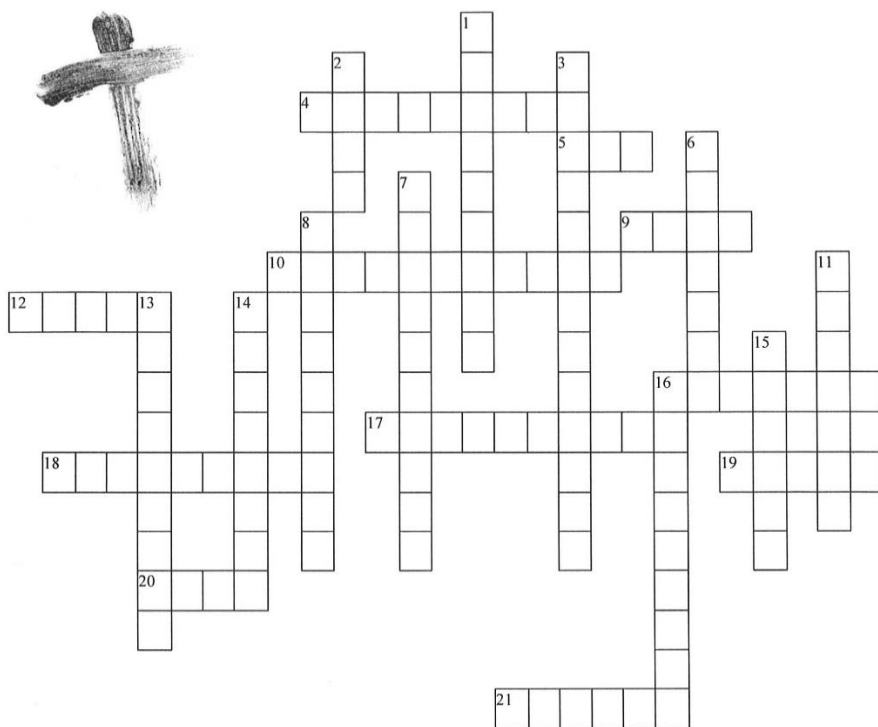
When I was still director of a catholic university students' home in Ljubljana, I decided to welcome a young student who was not baptized. However, she was undertaking the catechumenate to receive the sacraments of Christian initiation, baptism, confirmation and Eucharist. I hoped that she would find, in our home, a suitable place for this preparation and young people who would know how to guide her and transmit the joy of being Catholic. What fascinated me about her was that unlike many catechumens, she was not motivated by the desire to be a godmother or to get married. It was an attraction to the Word of God that echoed within her and a personal experience she had during an adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Although she didn't have the knowledge to know what it was, she had felt something new, a peace, a light, as she had told me. As her catechumenate progressed, I saw her regularly at the celebration of the Eucharist in the front pews to make sure she didn't miss anything. I could see a smile on her face and she was grateful to be there. At the moment of her baptism, she was very happy, her face was radiant. What a joy, when she had chosen as her godfather one of the students of the home, who in my opinion had great qualities. I can say that she transmitted a lot of joy and hope to the other students, who were Catholic since their childhood. I discovered that if my intention was to help and guide her with the

help of the other students, it was with time that she had revived and had shaken many of them whose faith had fallen

asleep. Yes, she had been touched, she had seen the light of Christ that illuminated her life. I think that I can say that she was transfigured by the light that Christ brought to her life. Many of my other students realized through her that they were Catholic, but they did not have the same joy, the same energy, the same smile. Many of them rediscovered their own faith. Through baptism this young student had understood that a mission came with it. Accepting Jesus freely is also accepting freely the consequences and the duties of this friendship: being a missionary of Christ in this world. She told me that she was going to do something with her talents to spread the Gospel, the Good News. Today I follow her on Facebook. I have seen her get involved in many projects in the life of the Church and to help people. She is very active. When I asked her how she manages to do so many things, her answer was clear and full of joy: "But it's normal, Jesus is our light and our joy! We are Catholics, aren't we?"

**Dear parishioners, this is what we are called to do, to welcome this light within us and to radiate it. That is why it is so important to welcome Christ, to frequent him because he is the Word of God that illuminates our life and makes our lives luminous and makes us luminous within ourselves.** Fr. Leopold

## POSTNI ČAS



### VODORAVNO

4. barva postnega časa
5. število dni strogega posta
9. število postnih nedelj
10. Jezusa je obsodil na smrt (2 besedi)
12. dan Jezusove smrti
16. žival iz pasijona
17. obred na pepelnično sredo
18. dogodek Velike noči, na katerega se pripravljamo s postom
19. mož iz Cirene, ki je Jezusu pomagal nositi križ
20. učenec, ki je Jezusa izdal
21. ime zadnje postne nedelje

### NAVPIČNO

1. molitev, značilna za postni čas (2 besedi)
2. ime pete postne nedelje
3. dogodek velikega četrtka (2 besedi)
6. 14 delov križevega pota
7. število dni postnega časa
8. zraven molitve in posta tretja značilnost postnega časa (2 besedi)
11. drugo ime za Kristusovo trpljenje
13. kraj Jezusove smrti
14. žena, ki jo je Jezus srečal na križevem potu
15. ime zadnjega postnega tedna
16. dan začetka postnega časa

## A PRAYER for Lent

### A Lenten Prayer called the Passion

Dear Lord Jesus,  
by Your Passion and Resurrection  
You brought life to the world.  
But the glory of the Resurrection  
came only after the sufferings of the Passion.

You laid down Your life willingly  
and gave up everything for us.  
Your body was broken and fastened to a Cross,  
Your clothing became the prize of soldiers,  
your blood ebbed slowly but surely away,  
and Your Mother was entrusted to the beloved  
disciple.

Stretched out on the Cross,  
deprived of all earthly possessions and human  
aid,  
You cried out to Your Father that the end had  
come.

You had accomplished the work given You,  
and You committed into His hands,  
as a perfect gift,  
the little life that remained to You.

Lord, teach me to accept all afflictions  
after the example You have given.  
Let me place my death in Yours  
and my weakness in Your abandonment,  
Take hold of me with Your love,  
that same foolish love that knew no limits,  
and let me offer myself to the Father  
with You so that I may rise with You to eternal  
life.

*“Dragi bratje in sestre, Sveti Duh naj nas razvnema v tem postnem času pri vzponu z Jezusom, da bomo doživeli njegov božji sijaj in tako okrepljeni v veri skupaj nadaljevali pot z Njim, ki je slava njegovega ljudstva in luč narodov.” (papež Frančišek)*

**MISIJONSKA TOMBOLA 2023**

**Organized by the Apostolic Circle**

**MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>**



## **BIKORO-EKATA SEMINARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT Democratic Republic of Congo**

Father Tomaž Mavrič, the Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission and former priest at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, has identified an urgent need in the Democratic Republic of Congo. There are many potential candidates for the priesthood in this part of the world, however the current formation house simply cannot handle the number of candidates who have the intention of becoming priests and does not have adequate facilities to serve the needs of the current seminarians. Father Mavrič has proposed a project to build a new seminary in the town of Bikoro-Ekata. With the construction of the seminary, the Congregation of the Mission in Congo intends to create a space to allow the formation of future priests and brothers to perpetuate and carry out its Mission of evangelization of the Poor and that of the formation of the clergy.



The seminary will be able to accommodate 20 seminarians and required staff. It will contain classrooms, computer facilities, a library, chapel, and

other facilities necessary for the formation of these future priests.

The Congregation of the Mission has already obtained 10 hectares of land that will be used for the construction of the seminary, however they are asking for donations to help build this important structure. The total cost of construction is estimated to be just over \$250,000 USD. Father Mavrič is reaching out to our community to help fund this important project. Please consider donating to this worthwhile cause!

### **Del pisma, ki ga je napisal Generalni Superior Misijonske družbe Tomaž Mavrič.**

Prisrčen pozdrav!  
Upam in molim da ste dobro!  
...Omenil sem Vam da Provinca kongo ima veliko poklicev, nimajo pa primerne stavke, kjer bi jih lahko sprejeli.  
Pošiljam projekt, z maketo bodočega notranjega semenišča, ter nekaj fotografij okolice ter celotnega zemljišča, katerega smo dobili v dar od vaških oblasti. Iz vsega srca se Vam priporočam da bi preko raznih načinov katere boste Vi najbolj vedeli da so možni, bodi si nabirke požupnijah, bodi si osebne prošnje

posameznikom ki imajo možnost darovati tudi večje vsote, po raznih krajih Kanade, lahko končno morda prišli do tega da bi celo lahko zbrali vso vsoto denarja ki je potrebna z nagradno semenišča...Molimo drug za drugega!

*Tomaž*



**Fr. Tomaž Mavrič, CM**

**For more information or to make a donation please contact:**

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739 Browns Line, Toronto, ONM8W3V7  
Cheques can be made out to the "Slovenian Apostolic Circle (for Tomaz Mavric Congo Project)".