

2. POSTNA NEDELJA

25. februar 2024 Leto B Št. 9

Nedelja, 25. feb: 2. POSTNA NEDELJA

1st SHARELIFE COLLECTION

ODPEV: »Hôdil bom pred Gospodom v deželi živih.«

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

ŽUPN. BREZMADEŽNE S ČUDODELNO SVETINJO:

8.30 am + Jože Kastelic, *družina Bohte*

+ Iz družine Jankovič in Strah, *Dušan*

+ Frančiška Logar – obl., *Anton Logar*

+ Franc Lebar, *žena Vida z družino*

+ Ana Klanfar – 30 dan, *družina*

+ Marija in Viktor Grlj, *družina Furlan*

+ Matilda Ludvik, *prijatelje Dora in Janez Dolinar*

10.00 am *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Pavel and Marija Kogovšek, *family Peternelj*

+ Rudolf and Ana Peternelj, *family Peternelj*

+ Pavla Sedej, *family Peternelj*

+ Milka and Frank Mate, *Mary and Robert Kure*

+ Janko and Helena Smolej – anniv., *children*

Ponedeljek, 26. feb: ALEKSANDER (BRANKO), škof

8.00 am + Viktor in Pavla Trček, *V.P.T*

Po namenu, *N.N.*

Torek, 27. feb: GABRIJEL ŽALOSTNE MB, red.

8.00 am + Franc Kambič, *Olga Plut*

+ Kristina Konda, *Olga Plut*

+ Martin in Cvetka Pečarič, *M.C.P.*

Za zdravje Irene,

Sreda, 28. feb: ROMAN, opat

8.00 am + Danica Ančimer, *D.A.*

+ Mimi Hudovernik, *Silva Hudovernik*

8.30 – 6 pm Celodnevno češčenje - All day adoration

Četrtek, 29. feb: OŽBOLT (OSVALD), škof

8.00 am + Franc in Marija Marolt, *Ciril in Anica Lesar*

+ Ivan in Frančiška Preželj, *I.F.P.*

PRVI PETEK, 1. mar: ALBIN (ZORKO), škof

8.00 am + Mimi in Stane Ugovšek, *družina Ugovšek*

+ Marija Grbavac, *Helena in Edward Cek*

Za uspešno operacijo, *M. Medved*

V zahvalo za 99 rojstni dan Martina Zakrajšeka, *otroci*

6.30 pm križev pot

7.00 pm + Marija in Valentin Lavriša, *družina*

+ Katarina Ščrbič - obl., *hčerka Irena*

Sobota, 2. mar: NEŽA PRAŠKA, devica

8.00 am + Jože in Angela Glivar, *J.A.G.*

5.00 pm + Ivanka in Janez Bančič, *družina*

+ Peter in Lea Urbanc, *M.L. Soršak*

+ Anton Perko, *družina*

+ Charlie Štefanac, *Marija Cestnik*

+ Rozina Horvat, *Frank in Mary Bučar*

+ Joe Hozjan, *družina Sobočan*

+ Matija in Verona Sobočan, *družina Sobočan*

Nedelja, 3. mar: 3. POSTNA NEDELJA

8.30 am + Starši Jurajevčič, *Olga Plut*

+ Marijana Caprisi, *Helena Horvat*

+ Ivanka Bančič, *družina S. Pahulje*

+ Franc Lebar, *hčerka Christine z družino*

+ Anica in Jože Jenškovec, *Melita Stipanič*

+ Iz družine Gorjup, *Melita Stipanič*

+ Ivanka in Jože Rezek, *družina T. Rezek*

10.00 am *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Paul and Joži Nosan, *Frank Hočevar*

+ Anton Juha, *children*

+ Vinko Korošec, *family Peternelj*

+ Frank Utroša, *family Peternelj*

+ Lojze Knavs, *Milka Koščak*

+ Julka Zakrajšek, *family M. Zakrajšek*

ŽUPNIJA MARIJA POMAGAJ:

Nedelja, 25. feb: 2. POSTNA NEDELJA

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10.00 am *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Franc Buh – obl., *Anica Bajt-Kranjec*

+ Jože Žoldoš, *Agata Žoldoš*

+ Terezija in Karel Kromar, *otroci*

+ Matija Ambrožič, *družina*

+ Stane Grm, *družina*

+ Ignac Skalič, *Matilda in Naci Kranjec*

+ Sonja Kokal, *družina*

Po namenu, *Marija Por*

PRVI PETEK, 1. mar: ALBIN (ZORKO), škof

9.30 am križev pot

10.00 am + Franc in Francka Videgar, *oporoka*

+ Anna in Ladislav Likon, *oporoka*

Nedelja, 3. mar: 3. POSTNA NEDELJA

10.00 am *For parishioners - za župljane*

+ Terezija in Karel Kromar, *otroci*

+ Ignac Skalič, *družina Štefan Vinčec*

+ Frances Hozjan, *Mary Gruškovnjak z družino*



Lepo vabljeni k sv. maši, sv. spovedi, ter k molitvi pred Najsvetejšim.
OLMM –Spoved ob 7 am do 8 am. Maša ob 8 am in ob 7 pm. Molitvena ura ob 6.30 pm.
MARIJA POMAGAJ - Molitvena ura ob 9 am. Maša ob 10 am.

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

SL ShareLife

SHARELIFE NABIRKA je danes **nedeljo, 25. februarja**.

»darujete velikodušno. z velikodušnim darovanjem lahko naredimo čudodovite reči! «

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign.

Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Your support for ShareLife brought the hands of Christ to those in need.

**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!**

MISSION TOMBOLA will be on **Sunday, March 17th** at 2pm. 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.

MISIJONSKA TOMBOLA bo 17. marca. Prosimo vas za tombolske dobitke.

PRODAJA POTIC IN PECIVA

Članice Katoliške Ženske Lige bodo na cvetno nedeljo, 24. marca prodajale potice in pecivo. Potice lahko naročite na 416-255-2721.

C.W.L. BAKE SALE is on Palm Sunday, March 24th. Please order poticas by phoning 416-255-2721.

BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES in your envelope boxes will be used for our building fund collections. We will announce in the bulletin when these collections are and what they are going towards. Thank you for all your support!

UPDATE CHURCH RECORDS If you have moved recently, or changed your phone number, please inform the parish office 416-255-2721 or email general@ourladyofmm.com so our records will be up to date.

MASSES: Your requests for masses can be made by:
1) you can write your Mass intention, include your name,

date and mass time and your phone number, mark "Masses" on a plain envelope and put in the collection box on Sunday
2) by email: general@ourladyofmm.com,
3) by visiting the church office
Try to make the intention **at least 3 weeks** before.

KATOLIŠKA ŽENSKA LIGA (CWL) vabi nove članice, da se nam pridružijo! Vsaka članica je pomembna. Glas K.Ž.L. (CWL) v parlamentu daje pomembnost in težo našim katoliškim/krščanskim družinskim vrednotam. Za več informacij, pokličite Roziko Nesich 416-689-2687.

TO JOIN CWL: By using your God given gifts, you will be contributing in the League to the life and vitality of the church, family and community, both at home and abroad. We need you to infuse us with your fresh ideas, with your energy and positive attitudes. While your presence at meetings is important, we realize that in this busy world it may not be possible for you to attend. Be assured that your interest and support is as important as your attendance! Any female students wishing to become teachers, the school board looks at your resume to see if you belong to a CWL. We encourage all women 16 years of age and older to join our CWL. Yearly dues are \$30. Contact Rozika Nesich at 416-689-2687 for info.

MIDLAND PILGRIMAGE is **Saturday, September 7th**.

BARAGA DAY – Saturday, September 14th, 2024 in the Diocese of Gaylord, MI, U.S.A.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada. The theme of this year's rally is **"TAKE HEART: by his wounds we are healed"**.

Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W.

✓ Inspired talks by Fr. Mathias Thelen, Peter and Debbie Herbeck, Fr. Alex Colautti, CC and Peter Burak

✓ The adult high mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Francis Leo

✓ There will be a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

✓ The youth mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Bishop Scott McCaig, CC.

For Tickets: \$25 for adults and \$15 for the youth. For additional information, please see our website <https://www.ljhr.ca/>, or tel 647-873-1753.

15TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE - Saturday March 23, 2024
9:00 am-4 pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)
Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins
Speakers:

Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare
Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God
Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer
Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson
Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group
To register visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

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ŽUPNIJA MARIJA POMAGAJ



FIRST SUNDAY *in* LENT

1. POSTNA NEDELJA

Tako je sv. Hieronim, rojen na ozemlju današnje Slovenije in umrl pred 1600 leti, glede posta opominjal rimsko plemkinjo Celancijo:

“Varuj se, da bi se imela za svetnico že samo zato, ker si se sicer začela postiti in si nalagati zdržke. Takšna krepost je namreč dejansko samo pomoč za dosego svetosti in ni sestavni del popolnosti. ... Kaj ti pomaga zatirati telo z zdržki, če se potem duša napihuje z ošabnostjo? Mar nam biti mršavi od posta lahko prinaša kakšno zaslugo, kadar smo potem modrikasti od zavisti? Mar je kakšna krepost ne piti

Posti se sojenja drugih; praznuj zaradi Kristusa, ki biva v njih.

Posti se temnih misli; praznuj zaradi božje ozdravljajoče moči.

Posti se besed, ki onesnažujejo; praznuj z besedami, ki dvigajo.

Posti se nezadovoljstva; praznuj s hvaležnostjo.

Posti se jeze; praznuj s potrpežljivostjo.

Posti se skrbi; praznuj zaradi božje previdnosti in skrbi zate.

Posti se pritoževanja; praznuj s čudenjem.

Posti se naglice in raztresenosti; praznuj z nepretrgano molitvijo.

Posti se praznega govorjenja; praznuj s tišino.

Posti se grenkobe; praznuj z odpuščanjem.

Posti se obupa; praznuj z upanjem.

Posti se skrbi zase, praznuj s sočutjem do drugih.

vina, kadar smo potem pijani od jeze in sovraštva? Hočem reči, navsezadnje, da so zdržki sijajna stvar, in je mrtvičenje telesa lepa in čudovita stvar samo takrat, kadar je pridruženo duši, ki je brez greha. Rečem še več: Tisti, ki se hvalevredno in zavestno oklepajo kreposti zdržkov, ravna jo grdo s svojim telesom prav zaradi tega, da strejo ošabnost duha, da uspejo spustiti se, bi lahko rekli, s položaja ravnodušnosti in domišljavosti in biti sposobni izpolnjevati Božjo voljo, kar doseže svojo popolnost predvsem v ponižnosti” (Pismo 148, 22).

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REPENT, AND BELIEVE IN THE GOOD NEWS.



**“The time has come,” he said.
“The kingdom of God is near.
Repent and believe the good news!”
Mark 1:15, NIV**

Repent...

Most people do not want to be told to repent. It is like saying "The way you are living now is not right. You need to change."

According to the dictionary, repent means: "To feel or express sincere regret or remorse about one's wrongdoing or sin".

The call to repentance is an invitation to acknowledge our shortcomings and to realign our lives with God's will. This process of repentance isn't merely about feeling guilty; it's about a sincere desire to change, to turn away from sin and towards God. It's a journey from acknowledgment of sin to the embrace of grace, a path marked by genuine remorse and a commitment to a new way of living.

And there is a second part to this message. Believe!

Jesus pairs this call to repent with another: to believe in the gospel. In a world that frequently encourages self-reliance and self-belief, Jesus redirects our focus to something greater than ourselves. The belief He speaks of isn't rooted in our abilities or worthiness but in the transformative power of the gospel—the good news of God's unconditional love for us.

So often the world tells us to believe in ourselves. But this is not the "believe" Jesus is inviting us to. Jesus is telling us to believe in the gospel, the good news.

What is the "good news"?

The good news is that we are God's beloved children. We do not earn His love. He gives it to us freely. But our actions often show that we don't really believe this 100%.

If we really absolutely knew that God loved us, and if that were enough for us, then the things which drive us to sin would become less important in our lives.

How might our lives change if we really lived in the complete freedom of knowing that we are God's beloved children?

How would this impact your relationships with others?

This knowledge, if fully embraced, has the power to reshape our lives. It challenges the very motivations behind our actions and the desires of our hearts. When we understand and accept that we are loved unconditionally by God, the need for external validation diminishes. The pressures to conform, to impress, or to compete for human approval lose their grip on us. Our actions and choices begin to reflect not a quest for acceptance but a response to the love and grace we've received.

Our need to impress others and to boost our own image at the expense of others would go away. Because if God loves us, why do we spend so much time and effort seeking the approval of others. If we really thought that God cares for us and wants what is best for us, then we would not be so anxious.

Living in the freedom of this truth can profoundly impact our relationships with others. Freed from the need to prove ourselves, we can engage with others more authentically, with generosity and kindness rather than competition or envy. Recognizing ourselves as beloved children of God enables us to see the same dignity and worth in others, transforming our interactions and relationships.

The journey of Lent invites us to consider these truths deeply. As we reflect on our need to repent and believe, we're called to examine not just our actions but the attitudes and beliefs that drive them. How might our lives look different if we truly lived in the freedom of God's love? How might our relationships change if we saw others through the lens of this divine love? This Lenten season, let us explore these questions, allowing the dual call to repentance and belief to guide us toward a deeper, more authentic expression of faith.

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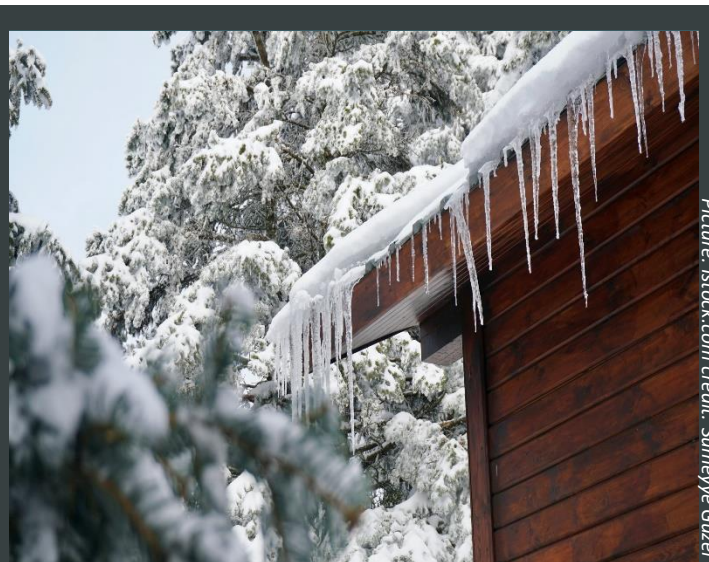
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Februar

Ime je dobil po rimskem prazniku očiščenja – »febre«. Rimljani so po starem koledarju leto začeli s 1. marcem in pred prihodom novega leta se je bilo treba obredno »očistiti«..

Svečan

Prej so svečanu pravili sečan, ker se je sekalo drevje. Pozneje so ime povezali z besedo sveča. V mrzlem in temnem zimskem mesecu je za svečo pravi čas, pa naj bo iz voska ali pa iz ledu. Kristijani pa tudi razumemo, da je 2. februar Svečnica – praznik luči - praznik Jezusovega darovanja v templju.



FEBRUARY - FEBRUAR

Old Slovenian name: SVEČAN

The Slovenian name is associated with the word candle, which can be made of wax (sveča) or ice (ledena sveča). Christians also understand that February 2nd is Candlemas - the feast of lights - the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.

NOAH



God said to Noah,
"This is the sign of the covenant that I have established
between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Genesis 9:17

The flood subsides; The ark came to rest.

Since 1961 "biblical fundamentalists" have sponsored nearly three dozen expeditions up Mt. Ararat in Turkey to search for the 450-foot ark.

In 1955 an L-shaped piece of timber was found 13,500 feet up the mountain. Using the carbon-14 dating process, UCLA's Rainer Berger dated it at A.D. 700. One theory is that it is a remnant of a shrine built by early monks to celebrate the biblical account of the flood.

Scripture scholars point out that the flood story belongs to the prehistory part of the Bible and, therefore, should be interpreted as a symbolic story. Its purpose is to teach that sin leads people down a one-way street: the destruction of themselves and of their world. God alone can save them.

The story of Noah shows how, even in the face of terrible sin, God wants to save the human family.

ZAPOSLENI MENIH



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Zgodba o menihu, ki je živel v votlini, pripoveduje, da je bil menih zelo zaposlen. Vedno, ko so ga ljudje vprašali, kaj dela, je odgovoril, da ima neverjetno veliko dela. Ljudi je zanimalo, kaj ta menih počne, da je tako zaseden.

Menih je dejal:

»Brzdati moram dva sokola, uriti dva skobca, zadrževati dva zajca, varovati kačo, naložiti breme na osla in krotiti leva.«

»No ja,« so menili ljudje, »to je vsekakor precej. Kje pa je tvoj zverinjak in živali, o katerih govoriš? Nikjer jih ne vidimo.«

Puščavnik je razložil:

»Dva sokola, to so oči, ki se vržejo na vsako stvar. Včasih so poželjive in se v to ali ono stvar kar zapčijo. Včasih jih je kar težko brzdati.«

»In dva skobca?« je zanimalo ljudi.

»To so roke, ki tako rade grabijo. Kar naenkrat primejo, pa tako nerade izpustijo. Včasih uidejo kontroli in povzročijo gorje. Zmožne pa so tudi božati, delati dobro ... Dva zajca, ki ju moram zadrževati, so moje noge. Res jih včasih komaj krotim, tako so nemirne, in bi rade neprestano hodile naokrog.

Najtežje pa je varovati kačo, to je jezik. Prav dam tistemu, ki je rekel, da je 32 zob večkrat brez moči proti enemu samemu jeziku. Ne govorimo zaman o strupenem jeziku ..., toda isti jezik zna tudi tolažiti.

Potem je tukaj še osel, ki mu je treba naložiti breme. To je telo, ki je velikokrat podobno tej trmasti živali. Če je preobloženo, se pritožuje, nas tepe, ne sodeluje z nami.

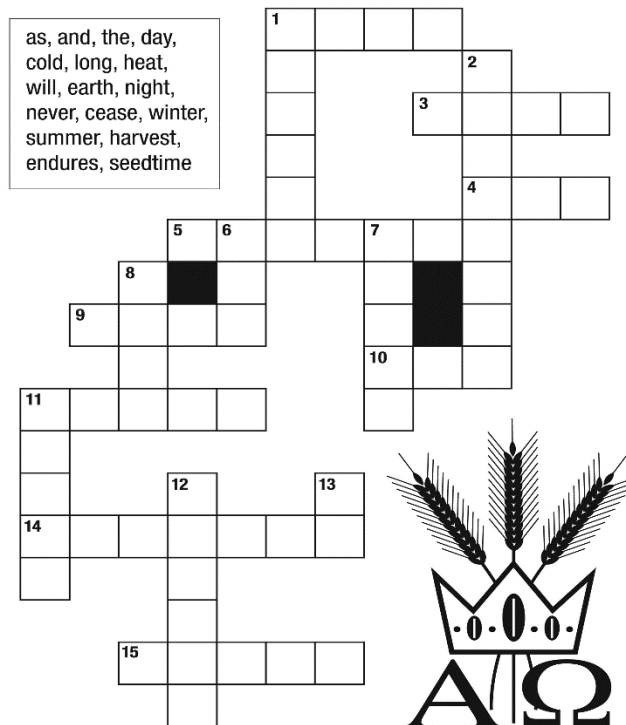
In pri vsem tem ga tako zelo potrebujem!

Krotiti je treba še leva, kralja živali. Ta lev je naše srce, sedež velikega poguma, ampak tudi obupa, strahu, razočaranja.«

Mislim, da imamo v svojem zverinjaku vsi kakšno teh živali. Več kot dovolj je na nas samih postnega materiala za ta sveti čas. Lahko še kdo reče, da se nima od česa postiti?

Puzzle!

Use the word list to complete the crossword. Then fill in the numbered blanks to read God's promise to Noah — and to us.



“ 13 8 13 10 7 14
2 6 5 9 6
3 12 6 1 down 4
6 11 across 1 across 11 down 15

GENESIS 8:22, NIV

Answer: “As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.” Genesis 8:22, NIV

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SECOND SUNDAY *in* LENT

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Sveti Ambrož Milanski je eden od štirih zahodnih cerkvenih učiteljev, med katerimi je tudi njegov »učenec« sv. Avguštin. Rojen je bil leta 339 v Trierju v Nemčiji, svoje svetno in duhovno poslanstvo pa je vršil v Italiji, zlasti v Milanu, kjer je tudi zaključil svoje zemeljsko življenje 4. aprila 397. O Pustu je tudi takole napisal :

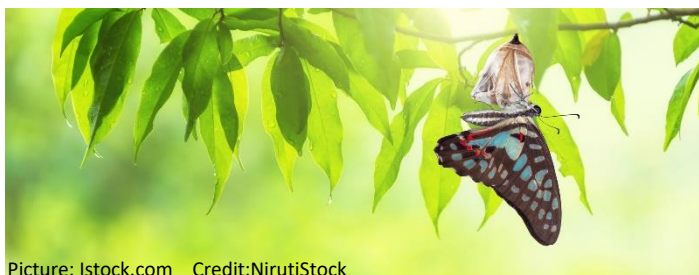
“Post je učenje zdržnosti, pravilo skromnosti, ponižnost uma, mrtvenje telesa, zgled treznosti, pravilo kreposti, očiščevanje duše, darovanje usmiljenja, vzgoja prizanesljivosti, privlačnost dobrodelnosti, okras starosti, **obramba mladosti**.



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Ko je človek lačen, postane prijetnejša hrana, ki pogosto uživana izgubi svojo vrednost, če jo jemo vsak dan. Post je začimba hrane. Večja ko je želja po hrani, bolj okusna je hrana. Zaradi žeje je pijača bolj okusna. ... Tudi sonce je bolj dobrodošlo po noči, tudi svetloba je svetlejša po temi in spanec je slajši po budnosti, tudi zdravje je prijetnejše po napadih bolezni. Od samega stvarnika sveta smo se naučili, da nasprotja pogosto povečajo lepoto. Tako po eni strani lakota opravičuje obroke, po drugi strani pa miza s postom postane prijetnejša”.

TRANSFORMATION - TRANSFIGURATION



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The word transfiguration means a change in form or appearance. Biologists call it metamorphosis (derived from the Greek word *metamorphomai* used in Matthew's Gospel), to describe the change that occurs when a caterpillar becomes a butterfly. As children we might have curiously watched the process of the caterpillar turning into a chrysalis and then bursting into a beautiful Monarch butterfly. Fr. Anthony De Mello tells the story of such a metamorphosis in the prayer life of an old man. "I was a revolutionary when I was young and all my prayer to God was: 'Lord, give me the grace to change the world.' As I approached middle age and realized that half of my life was gone without changing a single soul, I changed my prayer to: 'Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come in contact with me;

The readings for the 2nd Sunday of Lent Year B make us think of God's revelation of Jesus Christ as his beloved son and also how God loves us.

Jesus, accompanied by Peter, James, and John, underwent a miraculous transformation on a secluded mountain, where his appearance became dazzlingly white. There, Elijah and Moses appeared and conversed with Him. Overcome by the moment, Peter suggested building shelters for each. A divine voice affirmed Jesus as the beloved Son, urging them to heed His words. Following this profound experience, Jesus cautioned them to keep the event confidential until His resurrection, leaving them contemplative about its significance.

just my family and friends and I shall be satisfied.' Now that I am old and my days are numbered, I have begun to see how foolish I have been. My one prayer now is: 'Lord, give me the grace to change myself.' If I had prayed for this right from the start, I should not have wasted my life."

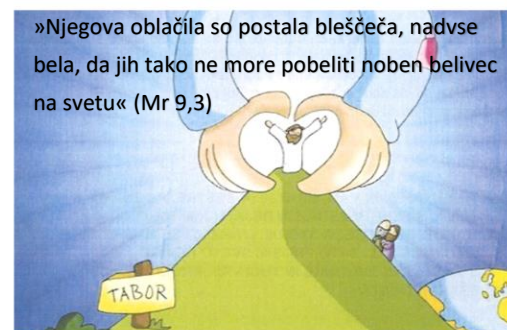
ČESA NAS JE DANES NAUČILA BOŽJA BESEDA?

- Jezus se je pred svojim učenci spremenil in razodel svoje Božje veličastvo. To je storil z namenom, da bi učenci lažje verovali, da je on pravi Bog. Z razodetjem svojega božjega sijaja, je utrdil njihovo vero, da ne bi v času njegovega trpljenja izgubili vere vanj.

- Jezusovo spremenjenje na gori je podoba in prikaz večne sreče, ki nam jo pripravlja Oče v nebesih. Bog Oče nam oznanja, da je Jezus njegov Sin, in da ga moramo ubogati, saj je On tudi Bog.

- »Pot na goro spremenjenja« je lep simbol našega zemeljskega romanja do Očetovega doma v nebesih. Kakšno opremo potrebujemo za tako pot v nebesa? Premišljevanje in živeti Božjo besedo, prejemanje zakramentov, molitev, dobra dela, post in odpovedovanje.

- Jezus se za nas spreminja pod podobo kruha. Ko ga uživamo, se z njim hranimo, in nas tako spreminja, da postanemo pravi Božji otroci. Postni čas je čas, kjer vsakega od nas vabi, kliče, da bi postali drugačni in se spremenili na bolje.



Heavenly Father,

As I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and peace as I strive to become the best version of myself, honestly admitting my shortcomings and sins. As I renew my resolve each day to become a better person, let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in you. Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment. Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom, or guidance, I can always turn to you. Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come closer to you through prayer this Lent. In your name I pray,
Amen.



LENTEN THOUGHTS FROM A STUDENTS PERSPECTIVE



The forty-day period leading up to Easter and the resurrection of Jesus is known as Lent. During the Lenten season we are reminded about Jesus's suffering and eventual death on the cross and we are called to Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Growing up and journeying in my faith, to me Lent was a time to give something up, to make a Lenten promise, to go to confession. Today I realize that Lent is a time of conversion, to slow down, to quiet the busyness of life and spend time strengthening my relationship with God. It is a time for self reflection, forgiveness and reconnection to God through promise and prayer. Striving to back away from things like social media, television, shopping or other indulgences provides the opportunity to quiet our minds and make room for God to enter our hearts. We should be reminded throughout Lent of our call to make changes in our habits in order to better demonstrate our unwavering love for God and our faith. Lent calls us to revive our baptismal promises, to answer God's call to serve and to understand and appreciate the amazing sacrifice God made for us.

Karolina Podobnik



GREHI... Zgodba za dušo

Ženi, ki jo je veselilo, da je obrekovala druge ljudi, je spovednik, moder mož, dal nenavadno pokoro:

»Gospa, pojdite domov, razparajte vzglavnik in raztresite perje po cesti! Potem se vrnite!«

Ko je žena spet prišla k spovedniku, ji je ta rekel: »Sedaj pa pojdite in zberite vse perje, ki ste ga prej raztresli!«

Žena se je branila: »Toda, to ni mogoče, gospod. Veter ga je raznesel na vse strani.«

Spovednik ji je odvrnil: »Ravno tako kot vaše hudobne besede o drugih ljudeh.«

K istemu možu sta prišli dve drugi ženski. Ena od njiju je veljala za veliko grešnico in je to tudi priznala, druga pa je bila sama s seboj zadovoljna, ker ji vest ni očitala nobenega velikega greha. Prva je modremu možu med solzami priznala svoj greh, ki ji ne da miru, druga pa je rekla, da ni naredila kakšnih posebnih grehov. Modrec je rekel prvi: »Pojdi in prinesi tako velik kamen, da ga boš komaj nosila!«

Drugi je naročil: »Prinesi mi toliko drobnih kamnov, kolikor

moreš. Med njimi ne sme biti nobenega velikega!«

Obe ženski sta spolnili naročilo. Mož je nekaj časa opazoval kamne, nato pa rekel:

»Vsaka naj vzame tisto, kar je prinesla in vrne kamenje na isto mesto, kjer ga je vzela. Ko to storita, se vrnita!«

Prva je brez težav našla prostor, kjer je pobrala kamen in ga položila tja, kamor je sodil. Druga se ni in ni mogla spomniti, kje je vzela ta ali oni kamen. Ne da bi spolnila naročilo, se je vrnila k modremu možu.

»Vidita, tako je z grehi,« je rekel modrec.

»Ti si lahko svoj kamen dala na mesto, kjer je bil, ker si vedela, kje si ga vzela. Ti pa tega nisi mogla narediti, ker nisi več vedela, kje si kamne pobrala. Tako je tudi z vajinimi grehi. Ti veš, kaj si zagrešila. Tvoja vest ti ni dala miru, dokler se nisi ponižala ter greh priznala in se tako znebila krivde. Ti pa si delala male grehe, ki se jih več ne spominjaš in jih zato ne moreš obžalovati. Navadila si se na življenje v grehu in obsojaš grehe drugih, sama pa se vedno bolj vanje pogreža.«

You're Invited to the

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Sunday March 17, 2024
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Hall
Starts at 2:00 p.m.

Price: \$ 15 for a whole card.

Cards are available in the hall after both masses on the day of the Tombola, or you can buy them at the door.

Kranjske klobase, Strudel, Hot Dogs, Pop and other refreshments will be available.

Collected funds will go towards supporting Fr. Tomaz Mavrič's project in the Republic of the Congo, and Bishop Martin Kmetec in Turkey.

POSTNA MOLITEV

Dobri Oče!

Vse nas vabiš k vztrajnosti v dobrem.
Oblikuj nas, Gospod, in naj se ti pustimo
oblikovati, da bo Tvoja ljubezen v nas.

Da bomo znali opaziti stisko,
pristopiti in deliti z ubogimi.

Blagoslovi, Oče, naše poti in vse tiste,
ki se trudijo za druge, jih razveseljujejo
v težkih trenutkih.

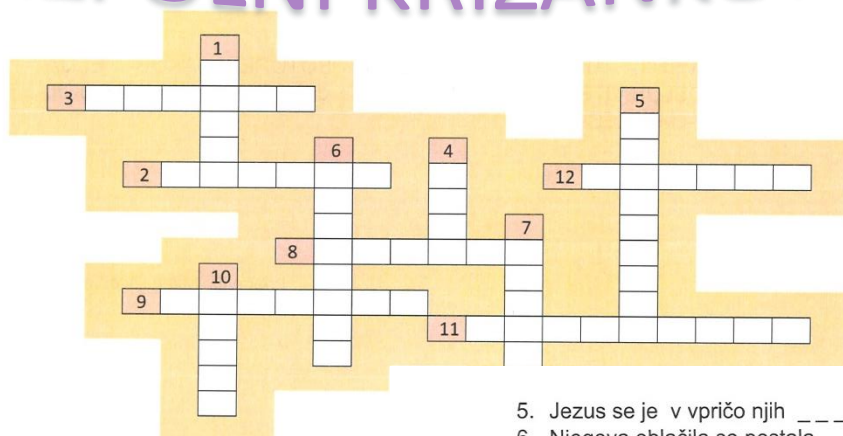
Vsem nam pomagaj, ko zaidemo
na stranpoti neiskrenoti,
brezbrižnosti in zasvojenosti.

Vodi nas po poti dobrote,
veselja in solidarnosti z bližjimi.

Amen.



IZPOLNI KRIŽANKO!



Hm, da vidimo...

tastatura, internet, printer ... aaa evo ga, miš!

1. Tisti čas je Jezus vzel _____,
2. Tudi apostola _____
3. in apostola _____.
4. Jih same zase peljal na visoko ____

5. Jezus se je v vpricho njih _____.
6. Njegova oblačila so postala _____, nadvse bela.
7. Prikazal se jim je _____ z Mojzesom in pogovarjala sta se z Jezusom.
8. Peter jen rekel Jezusu: »Učitelj, postavimo tri _____.
9. Tebi enega, _____ enega in Eliju enega.«
10. Narédil se je _____ in jih obsenčil.
11. Zaslišal glas: »Ta je moj _____ Sin, njega poslušajte!«
12. Ko so šli z gore, jim je naročil, naj nikomur ne pripovedujejo tega, kar so videli, dokler Sin človekov ne vstane od _____.