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“Hľadajte teda najprv Božie kráľovstvo a jeho spravodlivosť a toto všetko dostanete navyše. Preto nebuďte ustarostení o zajtrajšok; zajtrajší deň sa postará sám o seba. Každý deň má dosť svojho trápenia.”

“Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.”



Slovenský kostol Sv. Cyrila a Metoda

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Ôsma nedeľa v Cezročnom období

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Iba v Bohu spočíť, duša moja.

Rest in God alone, my soul.

Keby som sa vás spýtal, ako sa máte, zaiste by mnohí odpovedali, že majú starosti. Problémy v rodine, v práci – syn končí základnú, dcéra vysokú a vy nevíete, ako ďalej. Keby som sa aj detí spýtal, či majú starosti, iste by mnohé povedali, že zajtra ich čaká v škole písomka, popoludní gymnastika alebo hudobná. Tí starší by k starostiam pridali problémy so súrodencami, s prvými láskami a rodičmi... Každý má svoje starosti, ktoré sa začínajú už v detstve a tiahnu sa cez celý život.

Ludia vždy mali a budú mať starosti. Vidno to aj v dnešnom evanjeliu. A keďže nás Ježiš miluje a chce nás ušetriť od stresov hovorí: Nebuďte ustarostení o zajtrajšok, veď Boh, ktorý sa stará o poľné ľalie a o nebeských vtákov, isto sa postará aj o vás. Ježiš plným právom takto hovorí, lebo jasne to vidíme v dejinách človeka. Len si uvedomme, ako sa Boh postaral o Izraelitov, ako ich vyviedol z Egypta a pomáhal im na ceste do zasľúbenej zeme. Boli hladní, dal im mannu, boli smädní, dal im zo skaly vodu, mali chuť na mäso, poslal im prepelice. Hynuli – stačil im pohľad viery na medeného hada, boli slabí, Boh bojoval za nich proti nepriateľom. A viete prečo im tak pomáhal? Lebo mu slúžili a uctievali ho, ako svojho Boha a Pána.

Božia starostlivosť o nás vrcholí po Ježišovom zmŕtvychvstání. Zakladá Cirkev a stará sa o ňu. Len si spomeňme, koľko bludov, prenasledovaní a zrád musela prežiť. Všetko však zvládla a ne-

premôžu ju ani pekelné moci, pretože sa o ňu Kristus stará. V tejto chvíli by sme mali byť plní radosti, lebo aj my sme členmi Cirkvi. Stali sme sa nimi pri základnom obrade – pri krste. Nebuďme preto ustarostení o zajtrajšok, čo budeme jesť, čo budeme piť, čím sa zaodjeme, lebo Boh sa o nás postará. Ale je tu jedna podmienka – musíme slúžiť Bohu, nie mame. Ak ho budeme potrebovať my, bude nás potrebovať aj On. Vždy sa o nás postará. V čom spočíva služba Bohu? Je to pevná viera v neho a s ňou spojená denná modlitba, prístupnosť k sviatostiam a služba bližným. Ako reaguje moje svedomie? Slúžim Bohu alebo slúžim iba svojim záujmom?

Pane, veríme, že nám pomôžeš, aj že sa o nás postaráš. Daj, aby sme ti zostali vždy verní a nikdy nedopusť, aby nás od teba odlúčila starosť o zajtrajšok.

When we give someone a gift we call it a present. Why? Because you are close to that person. Your presence is contained within your gift, your present. But presence involves listening. Do you listen with just your ears or do you listen and hear with your heart? When you are listening to someone with your heart you are paying them deep attention. The quality of your presence is higher when you are more empathetic than simply sympathetic.

Hearts speak to hearts and that is particularly so when it comes to you and God. So how is God

present to you? Do you expect God to be present to you by believing that He cares for you, that He loves you and wants to be with you? Do we pray our prayers with our words, or personally with our hearts? It's one thing to recite prayers, it's quite another to pray with our hearts in the presence of God conscious of the fact that He cares.

Today's scripture passages are about the proposition that God loves you with an everlasting love that knows no limits, with a love so deep that you will never understand it. Similarly the words of Jesus in today's Gospel account speak of God's desire to free us from all that holds us captive and keeps us apart from Him. God is always present to us waiting for us to be with Him. How can we in turn be present to Him? There are some clear answers:

We can spend some quality time alone with God reflecting on what has happened in our lives and where we have experienced His love. Reading sacred scripture is another way of enjoying God's presence and giving Him your presence in return. Absorb what they inspire within you, what God's Word has to say to you.

Why not give God a present some day soon... quality time alone with Him? After all, hearts speak to hearts.

Bulletin Announcements

*Two Popes, Two Saints!

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27, Popes John XXIII and John Paul II will be canonized in Rome, and the Archdiocese of Vancouver will be celebrating in a big way! Everyone is invited to our canonization celebration at PNE's Pacific Coliseum, starting at 2 p.m. Archbishop Miller and Canada's new nuncio Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi attending. Please save the date (the Sunday after Easter) and invite your friends and family to this wonderful free event. Details to come as well at rcav.org/two-popes

*40 Days for Life Lent Campaign

From March 5 to April 13, from 6am to 8pm, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life, a groundbreaking, coordinated international pro-life mobilization. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. Location: Women's Hospital, 4500 Oak St., Vancouver. Vigil is at the corner of 29th Ave. and Heather St. Sign up online to attend: <http://40daysforlifevancouver.blogspot.ca>. For more information call Carmela Cruz, 778-859-5075, or Catherine Ching, 778-893-2078, or email Vancouver40days@gmail.com

*A Lenten Prayer Experience

Come to a unique experience and presentation on prayer as we prepare for Christ's resurrection during this upcoming Lenten season. St. Clare of Assisi parish in Coquitlam presents Fr. Peter Nygren, High School Rector at the Seminary of Christ the King, who will speak on prayer. Saturday, March 8, 10 am-noon in the church basement.

Dear Parishioners,

Income tax receipts for donations given during the year 2013 to our church and to Project Advance are available in envelopes on a table set out near the entrance inside the church. If you donated to both projects, you will find your tax receipts in the same envelope with your name on it. I sincerely thank everyone who helped support our parish during the 2013 year. Your gifts have helped to ensure the success of our parish and I pray that Our Lord will bless both you and your families for your kindness and generosity. Again, thank you. Father Juraj

Sunday's Collection from the Last Week

Our Weekly Goal	\$1,500
Sunday's Collection	\$587
Weekly (Shortfall) Excess	-\$913

Thank You. Vďaka. God Bless Your Generosity.

*Tuto nedelu nie je modlitba prihovoru v kostole .
This Sunday is no prayer ministry at church.*

Sun 02 9:00am	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34	For parishioners living and deceased	Fr. Juraj
Sun 02 11:00am	8. nedel'a v Cezročnom období; Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34	+ Arnold Martinko	Rodina Oravcová
Mon 03 8:00am	St. Katharine Drexel; 1Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27	+ grandparents	Rodina Krupova
Tue 04 8:00am	St. Casimir; 1Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31	+ Josefa Javier	Family Javier
Wed 05 8:00am	Ash Wednesday; Joel 2:12-18; 2Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6,16-18	+ Ján Varga	Andrej a Eva Cassty
Wed 05 7:30pm	Popolcová Streda; Joel 2:12-18; 2Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6,16-18	+ Edith Gvora	Martina
Thu 06 8:00am	Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25	+ Peter Shelling	Ed Starick
Fri 07 8:00am	1st Friday; Sts. Perpetua & Felicity; Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15	For benefactors	Fr. Juraj
Fri 07 7:30pm	Krížova cesta + sv.omša 1. Piatok; Iz 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15	Za zdravie a Božiu pomoc pre babku Veroniku	Dcéry s rodinou
Sat 08 9:00am	St. John of God; Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32	+ Ernest Novák	Rodina Oravcová
Sun 09 9:00am	1st Sunday of Lent; Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34	+ Heinz Michel	Teresita Michel
Sun 09 11:00am	1. PôstnaNedel'a; Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34	+ Mária Astrabová	Rodina Astrabová