

# Slovenský kostol Sv. Cyrila a Metoda

## Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish

### 4. Nedeľa v Cezročnom Období.

### 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

*Pane, daj, aby sme počúvali tvoj hlas a nezatvrdzovali si srdcia.*

*O that today you would listen to his voice! "Harden not your hearts."*



472 East 8th Avenue  
New Westminster, BC  
V3L 4L2  
Phone: 604-526-7351  
Fax: 604-520-6965  
E-mail: cyrilmetod50@gmail.com  
www.cyrilmetod.org

*Ľud bývajúci v temnotách uvidel veľké svetlo. Svetlo zažiarilo tým, čo sedeli v temnom kraji smrti.*

• • •

*The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.*



**Ježiš bol dobre známy** mnohým ľuďom a zvesť o ňom sa neustále niesla. Svedčí o tom aj dnešné evanjelium. Marek píše: A chýr o ňom sa hneď rozniesol všade, po celej galilejskej krajine. Ježiš nikoho nenechal na pochybách o tom, že je prorokom a Božím Synom. Jasne o tom rozprával v Nazarete i v Kafarnaume. V Nazarete ho dokonca preto chceli ukameňovať, ale on sa nezľakol a naďalej rozprával o svojom poslaní. Ľudia vycítili jeho múdrosť, lebo nerozprával ako zákonníci, ktorí len opakovali to, čo počuli od svojich učiteľov a nemali vlastný názor. Ježiš sa však nebál rozprávať a vysvetľovať súvislosti, ktoré sú medzi Zákonom a spôsobom, akým sa Zákon žije a rozvíjať súvislosti medzi Zákonom a životom jeho poslucháčov. Konkrétne učil, čo majú ľudia robiť a ako majú žiť, aby plnili Boží zákon. V tej chvíli poslucháči vycítili, že nepočujú prázdne reči farizejov a zákonníkov, ale slovo samého Boha. Ich predtuchu potvrdila aj príhoda zo synagógy, kde najskôr diabol začal Ježiša vyrušovať, ale pod vplyvom jeho slova napokon vyznal, že Kristus je Boží Svätý a musel z posadnutého človeka vyjsť. Aby v Nazarete diabol Ježiša umlčal, vnukol ľuďom, nech ho vyvedú za mesto a kameňujú, v Kafarnaume mu to Ježiš vrátil, keď jeho umlčal a vyhnal ho z posadnutého človeka. Možno sa preto čudovať, že chýr o Ježišových skutkoch sa rozšíril po celej galilejskej krajine? Ved' kto z ľudí dokázal komunikovať s diablom a rozkazovať mu?

Stretnutie Pána s diablom v synagóge je pre nás veľmi poučné. Potvrďuje, že Ježišovi nasledovníci povedú podobný zápas so striedavými úspechmi a všetko bude závisieť na vôli tých, ktorým sa Božie slovo bude oznamovať. Ak sa totiž diablovi podarí zoslabiť náš vzťah k Božiemu slovu, on sa stáva víťazom a my porazenými. Využíva k tomu

veľa prostriedkov: klamstvo, pýchu, neposlušnosť, lenivosť, ľahostajnosť... A doznejme si, že tieto diabolstvá sa často hlásia najmä vtedy, keď sa chceme stretnúť s Božím slovom.

Ježiš nás však vyzýva, aby sme sa nedali odradiť a znechucovať pred Božím slovom. Ak ho pozorne a s vierou prijmem, stáva sa osvedčeným prostriedkom, ktorým možno umlčať a zahnať akékoľvek diabolstvo. Vtedy sa aj my staneme známymi medzi ľuďmi, lebo o svojej viere nebudeme iba rozprávať, ale sa ju budeme snažiť aj každodenne prežívať. Úspech však tkvie v tom, že prijmem do svojho života Božie slovo.

My túžime po večnej blaženosti. Prispôsobme tejto túžbe svoj život, zrieknime sa diabolstiev, ktoré nás zmrzačujú, zotročujú. Neváhajme sa ponoriť do Božieho slova, ktoré budeme aplikovať do svojho života. Nájdime si každý deň chvíľu času, aby sme otvorili knihu kníh a živili sa Božím slovom.

**St. Mark reports** that the people in Capernaum's synagogue were astonished at Jesus' teaching and all were amazed. Why were they so astonished and amazed? They thought Jesus was a rabbi, someone who speaks God's word, and they were in a synagogue, a place where one would expect to be hearing about what God had to say. This event occurred at the very beginning of Jesus' public ministry. He had not yet performed His dazzling miracles. So why were they so astonished and amazed?

Let's look at the style of speech used by Jesus and the way He taught. He did not say "The Lord's words for you today are..." Nor did He say: "The God who sent me says this..." No. Jesus spoke in His own name, on His own authority. There is a big difference in Jesus' speech. He is

telling everyone what He, the Christ is declaring to them. He is not speaking on behalf of God -- He is speaking as God!

What Jesus taught was marvelous. It was luminous, enlightening, and brilliant. But how He taught was mind boggling because the way Jesus spoke was as God speaking. He didn't speak about God. He simply and directly spoke as only God would speak. Nothing could be more astonishing than that. Either Jesus is who He claimed to be and demonstrated Himself to be, or else He was a charlatan, a fraud, and a liar. One has to choose. One cannot escape making that choice.

Have you ever heard it stated that it really doesn't matter what religion you belong to since they're all leading us to God? If it is true that Our Blessed Lord is God made flesh for us, then it really does matter what religion we have. The devils themselves recognized Him. Why do those who claim to be religious people refuse to acknowledge who He is? It wasn't the devils that gave Jesus a bad time. They simply vacated. It was the religious know-it-alls who gave Jesus a hard time. The more they realized that Jesus was really Someone, the more they understood what He was claiming to be, the more they wanted to rid themselves of Him. We've all heard about evangelizing.

Evangelizing doesn't mean that we have to go around town knocking on doors and preaching at others about our religion. Evangelizing can be as easy as simply and clearly stating the truth about Jesus and telling folks "We have never heard anyone else speak with such authority."

## Bulletin Announcements

**\*February 1 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Here we are...nearly one month already gone in 2015! What did you resolve to change this year? Stewardship calls for a change to the way we think about who we are, and what we possess. What changes might God be calling you to? Stewardship calls us to be emptied of pride, envy, jealousy, anger, selfishness, and greed. Only then can we be filled with humility, charity, faith, hope, patience, peace, joy, surrender, and gratitude!

**\*Mass of Anointing on World Day of the Sick** In 1992, Pope John Paul II instituted World Day of the Sick, setting aside Feb. 11, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, for its annual celebration. On this day, the sick are encouraged to reflect on the Christian meaning of suffering and to recall God's health-giving presence. We are also reminded that God often heals and restores life in unexpected ways. Archbishop Miller will celebrate a Mass of Anointing on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 11am, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Vancouver. Health Care Vicar Monsignor Bernard Rossi will concelebrate along with other priests of the Archdiocese. This Mass is organized by the Catholic Health Association of BC with the kind assistance of the Knights and Dames of Malta. [rcav.org/mass-for-world-day-of-the-sick/](http://rcav.org/mass-for-world-day-of-the-sick/)

**\*Mustard Seed Healing Ministry** Come and be healed by the power of God. Let Him renew your mind, body and spirit. Mustard Seed Healing Ministry invites you to a Healing Prayer Service on Feb. 14 after the 5pm Mass at Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Burnaby. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during the entire service with a procession to follow. Be touched by God's healing love. For information please call 604-239-0556.

**\*Adoration** - spend a blessed hour with Jesus on Thursdays at our church from 7:30pm - 8:30pm.

**\*Hodinka s Ježišom** - prid'ite stráviť hodinku s Ježišom v našom kostole vo štvrtky od 19:30h - 20:30h.

### Sunday's Collection from the Last Week

Our Weekly Goal	\$1,500
Sunday's Collection	\$1,348
Weekly (Excess) Shortfall	-\$152

**Thank You. Vďaka. God Bless Your Generosity.**

Modlitba príhovoru v nedeľu v našom kostole od 12:30pm do 1:30pm.

Prayer Ministry every Sunday in our church from 12:30pm to 1:30pm until notified.

Sun 01 9:00am	<b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time;</b> Dt 18:15-20; 1Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28	For deceased family	Nina
Sun 01 11:00am	<b>4. Nedeľa v cezročnom období;</b> Dt 18:15-20; 1Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28	Za Božie požehnanie a zdravie pre Luboša s rodinou	Brat Jozef s rodinou
Mon 02 8:00am	<b>The Presentation of the Lord;</b> Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40	Eleanore	Maureen
Tue 03 8:00am	St. Blaise, St. Ansgar; Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43	+ Kelly Ellerman Zelko	Olga
Wed 04 8:00am	Heb 12:4-7; Mk 6:1-6	+ Josefa Javier	
Thu 05 7:00pm	St. Agatha; Heb 12:18-19,21-24; Mk 6:7-13	+ Troadio Patenio	Fely Sy
Fri 06 8:00am	<b>First Friday;</b> St. Paul Miki & companions; Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29	+ Arnold Martinko	Vilma Oravcová
Fri 06 7:30pm	<b>Prvý Piatok;</b> Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29	<i>free</i>	
Sat 07 9:00am	Blessed Pius IX; Heb 13:15-17,20-21; Mk 6:30-4	+ Jozef a Mária	Mrs. Sentivani
Sun 08 9:00am	<b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time;</b> Dt 18:15-20; 1Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28	+ Bev Louie	Nina
Sun 08 11:00am	<b>4. Nedeľa v cezročnom období;</b> Job 7:1-4,6-6; 1Kor 9:16-19,22-23; Mk 1:29-39	Za farníkov	Fr. Juraj