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*Pri všetkom vzdávajte  
vďaky, lebo to je Božia  
vôľa v Kristovi Ježišovi  
pre vás!*

*Give thanks in all  
circumstances; for this  
is the will of God in  
Christ Jesus for you.*



# Slovenský kostol Sv. Cyrila a Metoda

## Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish

28. Nedel'a v Cezročnom Období.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

*Pred očmi pohanov vyjavil Pán svoju spásu.*

*The Lord has revealed his victory in the sight of the nations.*

**Dnešné Evanjelium** hovorí o desiatich malomocných mužoch. Malomocnosť je strašná choroba. Mojžišov zákon prikazoval, aby malomocní boli vylúčení zo spoločenstva so zdravými, to znamená aj z účasti na bohoslužbe a aby vždy, keď sa niekde budú pohybovať, upozorňovali na seba každého zdravého, aby sa im vyhol, ak sa nechce nakaziť touto strašnou chorobou. Preto dnešné evanjelium hovorí: „zd'aleka zastali a hlasne kričali: „Ježišu, učiteľ, zmluj sa nad nami!“ Prečo? Aby ich zbadal, aby si ich všimol, aby sa nad nimi zľutoval. Vložili do svojej modlitby svoj problém a svoju túžbu po zdraví. Ich modlitba bola veľmi jednoduchá. Oni verili, že Pán Ježiš im môže pomôcť.

To čo sa udialo s malomocnými, bolo úžasné. Takéto veci nikto z nás nevidel a možno ani v živote neuvidí, pretože človek takéto veci nedokáže urobiť. Takéto veci dokáže robiť jedine Boh skrze človeka. „A ako šli, boli očistení.“ P. Ježiš ich posielal ku kňazom, pretože jedine kňazi mohli takéto človeka prezrieť, a len keď mu oni dali osvedčenie, že je zdravý, mohol sa takýto človek znovu zaradiť do spoločenstva. Určite sa všetci úžasne tešili z tohoto zázračného uzdravenia. Viera, ktorá pôsobí divy, vedie k obráteniu a ku vďačnosti voči Bohu. To je to, čo sa objavilo u Námana a čo chýbalo deťom malomocným. Jedine Samaritán domyslel, čo sa stalo a vyvodil z toho správny záver. Padol na tvár Ježišovi k nohám a ďakoval mu. Vrátiť sa a veľkým hlasom velebiť Boha, padnúť na tvár Ježišovi k nohám, to sú prejavy viery v Živého Boha v osobe Ježiša Krista. Jedine Samaritán cítil potrebu znovu sa vrátiť a poďakovať tomu, ktorý ho uzdravil. On domyslel, to čo prijal. Domyslel, že takéto niečo nemôže konať človek a preto sa

Kristovi klania takou poklonou, ktorá patrí jedine Bohu. Je potrebné vzdať Bohu slávu. Sláva je objektívne uznanie osobných kvalít. Boh má právo na to, aby sa mu vzdávala Sláva. Dokonca my všetci sme stvorený pre Slávu. Problém je jedine v tom, kde a od koho a začo ju chceme získať. Evanjelista vytyka farizejom, že slávu od ľudí milovali väčšmi ako slávu od Boha. A v tomto je problém.

**We in the developed world** do not suffer dictators gladly but sometimes we want to dictate to God, make God do things our way, acquiesce to our wishes or leave us masters of our own destiny. There are some who abandon faith and prayer, because God has not granted their requests.

This was the inclination of Naaman the leper, the army commander of the King of Syria, as he bargained with God. Hoping to be cured of his leprosy by prophet Elisha, Naaman arrived laden with gifts of silver and gold, to pay for his cure. The prophet did not even come out to meet him, but only sent a message telling him to wash seven times in the river Jordan. This left Naaman deeply offended and disappointed and he prepared to return to Syria, raging. Why wash in this particular river, when there were so many bigger and cleaner rivers at home? "Here was I thinking Elisha would cure the leprosy part," he said, fuming.

Things had not gone as he had planned. It was only when his servants pointed out how simple was the prophet's request that he was persuaded to try it and so was cured. Come to think of it, how often do we behave like Naaman. "Why do I have to go to church, when I can worship God out in the open air on Sundays?" "Why do I have to con-

fess my sins to a priest, when I can tell them directly to God?" "Why does God send me the cross of sickness, when I could do so much good if I were healthy?" We even find such attitudes among our Lord's disciples. "Why do you not show us the Father?" Philip said to him. Some complained, "He says intolerable things and how could anyone accept it?" and they walked with him no more. This reaction of unbelief is often found. But it stands to Naaman's credit that he thought again, was cured and then returned to thank Elisha.

The way we think is often not God's way. Things happen in God's own time and way. We need to make an act of faith God's conditions, not on ours. We must cease regarding God as a kind of super-puppet who will react in the desired way when we pull the right strings. When we need a favour, the Gospel reminds us to ask with prayer and thanksgiving, because God answers every prayer for help, even if not precisely in the way we imagine, since God only grants what is for our good. Our habit should be to thank God from the heart, like Naaman after his cure, like the grateful leper who returned to express appreciation of God's gift. There is a sadness in the failure of the other nine to say a personal "thank you," for what Jesus had done for them.

The Eucharist is a reminder never to forget God's greatest gift to us, his own Son, our Saviour. If we concentrate too much on asking for things, there is a danger that we may reduce our Mass to the level of magical thinking, a way of turning God to our way of thinking. How much better if we can open our hearts and our lives to whatever God wants for us, which is sure to be the best that can happen to us.

## Bulletin Announcements

**\*October 9 – 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** "From the heart of the Trinity, from the depths of the mystery of God, the great river of mercy wells up and overflows unceasingly. It is a spring that will never run dry, no matter how many people draw from it." -Pope Francis

**\*Vocation Live-in** On the weekend of Nov. 4–6, there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at Seminary of Christ the King, Mission. For more info, please contact 604-826-8715 or visit [www.sck.ca](http://www.sck.ca)

**\*Holy Rosary Cathedral Concert Series** Join us for a musical performance by organist Denis Bédard and guest organist Rachel Alflatt on Friday, Oct. 14, at 8pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver. Performance includes organ duets, solos, and transcriptions by Haydn, Schubert, Franck and others, including the monumental Sonata for Organ Duet by Schumann's student Gustav Merkel. Performance visible on a giant screen at the front of the Cathedral. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$15 for students and seniors. For more info or to purchase tickets, please contact 604-682-6774.

**\*Couples Connect: A Deeper Bond** Do you feel like your marriage is on cruise control? Do you wish you could increase sexual intimacy in your marriage, fight less, and feel appreciated? "Couples Connect: A Deeper Bond" is a workshop to help couples better understand each other and develop a deeper connection. Through teaching moments, demonstration, and practice, this 6-week workshop provides couples with a unique opportunity to practise the skills learned and receive feedback from counsellors. Couples will learn how to manage and work through conflict, increase sexual intimacy, fondness and admiration, feel more connected to your partner, and build a long-lasting relationship of love. Couples will also receive a workbook containing handouts and reference tools to take-home. Wednesday, Oct. 26 & Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, from 7–9pm, at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre. To register, visit [rcav.org/event/couples-connect-deeper-bond](http://rcav.org/event/couples-connect-deeper-bond)

**\*Pozvanie na babkove divadlo** pod Oravskym zamkom "O troch prasiatkach" pod vedenim Mirky a Vlada Plavaka – v nedelu 30. Oktobra 2016 po slovenskej sv.oms. Vstupne je dobrovolne. Ak mozete prispiet s pripravou obcerstvenia, kontaktujte Mirku Plavakovu: [vlapala@shaw.ca](mailto:vlapala@shaw.ca)

**\*HEALING & FORGIVENESS THROUGH GOD'S MERCY** Year of Mercy Retreat with Fr. Denis Phaneuf of Saskatoon and Moira Noonan from California. Come & Experience God's Healing & Forgiveness Fri. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. From 7pm-9pm, Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>. 9am-4pm at the school Gym of Immaculate Conception, Delta. Mass at 5 pm Followed by Healing Prayers. Tickets are \$10.00 for both dates. For more info. Please call Lennie at 604-594-7296 & Edna at 778-228-3816.

### Sunday's Collection from the Last Week

Our Weekly Goal	\$1,500
Sunday's Collection	\$1,140

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

### THURSDAY ADORATION

Spend a blessed hour with Jesus on Thursdays 7:15pm-8:15pm.

### PRAYER MINISTRY

in our church will be the following dates:

**October 9, 2016**

from 12:30pm to 1:30pm

**October 23, 2016**

from 12:30pm to 1:30pm

Sun 9 11:00am	<b>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time;</b> 2Ks 5:14-17; 2Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19	For parishioners	Fr. Juraj
Sun 9 11:00am	<b>26. Nedel'a v Cezročnom období;</b> 2Kr 5:14-17; 2Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19	+ Ján Košláb	Mrs. Vilma Oravec
Mon 10 <b>9:00am</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day;</b> Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31-5:1; Lk 11:29-332	For parishioner 2. za B.pož.a zdravie pre Martu Knapik a rodinu	Fr. Juraj 2. Agnes a Beata
Tue 11 7:30am	St. John XXIII; Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41	Thanksgiving Blessing 2. za zdravie pre Erika	Tibay family 2.Marta Mudry
Wed 12 7:30am	Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46	Za zdravie a B.pomoc pre Mareka 2.+Ladislav, Margita, Gita	Dušan a Juraj 2.Marta Mudry
Thu 13 7:30am	Eph 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46	Mer and Zery 2.+Pavol a Margita	2. Marta Mudry
Fri 14 7:30am	St. Callistus I; Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7	Za zdr.a B.pož pre rodinu 2.+ Pavol Košláb	Rodina Beblárová 2.Marta Mudry
Sat 15 9:00am	St. Teresa of Jesus; Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12	Za zdravie a B.požehnanie pre Toma a Kathryn	Matka
Sun 16 9:00am	<b>29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;</b> Ex 17:8-13; 2Tim 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8	Požehnanie pre Berthu a Pavla	Rodina Starostová
Sun 16 11:00am	<b>29. Nedel'a v Cezročnom období;</b> Ex 17:8-13; 2Tim 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8	Na úmysel	Marta Knapik