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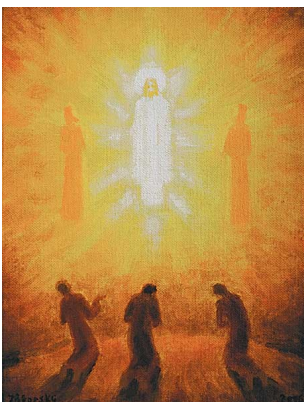
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Toto je môj milovaný Syn, v ktorom mám zaľúbenie; počúvajte ho.

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.



Slovenský kostol Sv. Cyrila a Metoda

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Premenenie Pána.

The Transfiguration of the Lord.

Pán kraľuje; Najvyšší na celej zemi.

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

Tajomstvo slávy Ježišovho premenenia sa zjavuje počas modlitby. Najväčšie veci sa v nás dejú vtedy, keď sa modlíme a keď hľadáme Boha v samote. Človek je najväčší vtedy, keď kľáči na kolenách pred Živým a Pravým Bohom. To čo sa deje s Ježišom, je naplnenie pôvodného Božieho plánu s ľudským telom. Z ľudského tela, ktoré sa stalo príbytkom Božieho Ducha, vyžaruje Otcova Sláva. Ježiš, aj ako človek, sa konečne stáva tým, čím má byť, božím obrazom. A toto je najhlbší zmysel ľudskej existencie. Lebo sme boli stvorení nato, aby sme sa stali jeho obrazom. Aby sme zjavili Boha, Dobro a Lásku.

Zjavenie Ježišovej Slávy ma slúžiť apoštolom ako posila vo viere, pre ťažké chvíle Jeho odchodu. Každá mimoriadna milosť slúži mimoriadnym zápasom, ku ktorým sme Duchom Svätým vedení. Apoštoli takto dostali poznanie Kristovej slávy, ktorú mal u Otca, skôr ako povstal svet. Je to sláva, v ktorej sa objaví pri svojom druhom príchode. Na hore premenia sa Otec prihlásil k svojmu Synovi. „On prijal česť a slávu od Boha Otca, keď k nemu z velebnej slávy zazneli tieto slová: „Toto je môj milovaný Syn, v ktorom Ja mám zaľúbenie.“ Tajomstvo premenenia môže veľmi intenzívne prežiť každý konvertita a zvlášť ten, kto sa obracia zo Židovstva. Príde určitý moment, keď mu Boh dá poznanie, že všetko bohatstvo Starého zákona a božích prisľúbení ústi do Krista. Kristus všetko vysvetľuje a všetko smeruje k nemu. Je to úžasný zážitok, je to videnie svetla, kde vedľa seba stoja Kristus, Mojžiš a Eliáš a vôbec si neprekážajú. Je to veľký pokoj, keď Starý zákon a Nový zákon zapadnú do seba, ako dve súčiastky, ktoré sú presne na seba vybrúsené.

Ježiš je jediný prostredník medzi Bohom a ľuďmi. Boh Otec zos-

táva skrytý. Len skrze Syna sa prichádza k Otcovi: „Kto mňa vidí, vidí Otca“. A predsa sa nedá povedať, že je to tá istá osoba, lebo videnie osláveného Syna, komentoval hlas z neba: „Toto je môj milovaný Syn, jeho počúvajte“. Tak sa nám zjavuje a potvrdzuje tajomstvo Božieho Syna, ktoré pre mnohých zostáva pohoršením.

Kde je naša hora premenenia? Kde sa i my takto môžeme stretnúť s Kristom? Našou horou premenenia je Písmo Sväté. Sv. Hieroným tvrdí: „Kto nepozná Písmo, nepozná Krista!“ Podťe a vystúpte na túto svätú horu, čítajte Písmo sväté, aby aj pre vašu dušu zaznelo to zjavujúce Slovo: „Toto je môj milovaný Syn, v ktorom mám zaľúbenie; počúvajte ho!“ Takto sa vaša viera stane pevnou, lebo viera je z počutia Božieho slova.

Sometimes we can work beside someone without really getting to know the person; then, one day, something happens which causes him to open up, to begin to let us get close to him, and we discover a depth of riches which we didn't know existed. The gospel today is about an experience analogous to that, where Peter, James and John are able for a moment to see who Jesus really is. For the three apostles, it is an experience of something beyond words: frightening and yet, at the same time, so wonderful that they would wish to prolong it by building three tents – for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. Reflecting on the experience, years later, Peter would write: “We had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him” (1 Pet 1:17.)

The gospel mentions the whiteness of Jesus's clothes; Mark says they became “dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly

bleacher could make them.” Saint Gregory Nazianzen tells us that this whiteness was the Divinity, manifested to the disciples. Traditionally, Moses and Elijah are seen as representing the Law and the Prophets, an interpretation which we find in the preface of today's, Mass. But Moses and Elijah were also people who had encounters with the Divinity. Both had to cross the desert, fast for forty days, and climb the mountain of God. Moses had prayed to God, “Show me your glory.”

When God revealed his back (not his face) to Moses, he placed him in the cleft of the rock, and when he came to Elijah as a gentle breeze, it was at the mouth of the cave. Perhaps these two are present as representing all those who desire to see God's glory: “When can I enter and see the face of God?” (Is. 42:2) What were Moses and Elijah talking about with Jesus? Luke says they were “speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem” (Lk 9:31), and indeed it was in his Passion that the face of God was to be revealed, as John wrote: “No one has ever seen God; it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart, who has made him known” (Jn 1:18.)

The three apostles who would see Jesus prostrate in agony in Gethsemane were given this glimpse of who he really is, to strengthen them for what lay ahead, and also to help them to understand what is revealed in the Passion. John says in the Prologue, “we saw his glory;” is he referring to the Transfiguration or to the Crucifixion, to Tabor or to Calvary? Or is there a sense in which these two mountains are one? Is Tabor simply a preview of Calvary, rather than an antidote: a deeper vision of the reality of the Crucifixion event?

Bulletin Announcements

***August 6th - The Transfiguration of the Lord** "At his Transfiguration Christ showed his disciples the splendor of his beauty, to which he will shape and color those who are his: 'He will reform our lowliness configured to the body of his glory.'" - St. Thomas Aquinas

***Porn Unmasked** What does porn have to do with our culture and our relationships? Can porn be an addiction? Come hear the answer to these questions and so much more from Dr. Gail Dines as she uncovers how pornography is impacting our children and culture as a whole. Join us on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Vancouver Public Library, 350 W Georgia Street, Vancouver. Cost is \$15. To purchase tickets, visit bit.ly/PornUnmaskVan **Please note: Attendees must be over 18.

***Annual Marian Pilgrimage to Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes** Come to Fraser River Heritage Park, 7494 Mary Street, Mission, to pray and celebrate in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday, Aug. 19, from 10am to 4pm. Confessions begin at 10am, celebration of the Eucharist at 1pm by Bishop Emeritus of Kamloops David Monroe. After Mass, there will be a procession to the Grotto where Rosary is prayed followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. For transportation information, please contact Teresita Nixon at 604-940-7006. Please bring picnic baskets and chairs. www.rcav.org/missionpilgrimage/

***Sunday Collection** - If you attend mass in another parish and wish to support our parish, you can still use Sts. Cyril and Methodius Sunday Offering Envelopes for Sunday collection and this envelope with your donation will be sent to our parish.

***Archbishop Miller urges faithful to support those affected by the wildfires** On Aug. 12 and 13, there will be a special collection in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Vancouver for those affected by the wildfires. Please pray for everyone affected by the wildfires in our province, especially those in the Dioceses of Kamloops and Prince George. For more info. or to donate online, visit <http://rcav.org/prayer-and-humanitarian-appeals/>

Please Note: We are not providing special envelopes for this collection. You may use blank envelopes or parish general purpose envelopes, and cheques should be made payable to your parish. Thank you for your assistance as we reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters.

*** V nedel' u 13. augusta 2017 po slovenkej sv. omši bude v hale rozlúčka s otcom Jurajom a zároveň privítanie otca Rastislava.**

Sunday's Collection from the Last Week

Our Weekly Goal	\$1,500
Sunday's Collection	\$1,278

Thank You. Vďaka. God Bless Your Generosity.

PRAYER MINISTRY

There will be no prayer ministry during summer in our church until further notice.

THURSDAY ADORATION

Spend a blessed hour with Jesus every Thursday in our church from 7:15pm to 8:15pm.

Sun 6 9:00am	The Transfiguration of the Lord; Dan 7:9-10,13-14/ 2Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9	+ Felix Adrias	Tina and Tita
Sun 6 11:00am	Premenenie Pána; Dan 7:9-10,13-14/ 2Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9	Za zdravie a B. požehnanie pre Vilmu Oravcovú	Marta Knapík
Mon 7 9:00am	St. Sixtus II; St. Cajetan; Nm 11:4b-15/ Mt 14:22-36	1. For parishioners 2. Za B. požehnanie pre	1. Mária 2. Fr. Juraj
Tue 8 8:00am	St. Dominic; Nm 12:1-13/ Mt 15:1-2,10-14	1. + Anna, Mária, Lenka 2. + Enrique Javier	1. Marta Knapík 2. Family Javier
Wed 9 8:00am	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross; Nm 13:1-2,25-33,14:1-2b,26-29,34-35/ Mt 15:21-28	1. Mary Horvath 2. Blessing for Fam. Javier	1. Diana Stefanak 2. Fr. Juraj
Thu 10 8:00am	St. Lawrence; 2Cor 9:6-10/ Jn 12:24-26	1. + Peter 2. Na úmysel	1. Rodina Eškutová 2. Marta Knapík
Fri 11 8:00am	St. Clare; Deu 4:32-40/ Mt 16:24-28	1. Za duše v očistci 2. For the souls in purgatory	1. Rodina Eškutová 2. Joanne
Sat 12 9:00am	St. Jane Frances de Chantal; Deu 6:4-13/ Mt 17:14-20	+ Margaret Segeč	Emil Segeč
Sun 13 9:00am	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time; 1Kg 19:9,11-13/ Rom 9:1-5/ Mt 14:22-33	For parishioners	Fr. Juraj
Sun 13 11:00am	19. Nedel'a v Cezročnom Období; 1Kr 19:9a,11-3a/ Rim 9:1-5/ Mt 14:22-33	1. pod'akovanie a za dobrodincov 2. + Terézia Hrabková	1. Fr. Juraj 2. Krstná dcéra Marta