

MOLITEV ZA EDINOST KRISTJANOV: – Od 18. do 25. januarja nas Cerkev vabi, naj molimo za edinost med kristjani, da bi se uresničile Jezusove besede: “Da bi bili vsi eno...” 25. januarja je spomin spreobrnjenja Savla. Savel se je srečal z Jezusom, ko je šel z dovoljenji verskih voditeljev, da pripelje pred njihovo sodišče tiste, ki verujejo v Jezusa, Odrešenika. Pregarjalec Savel je postal apostol Pavel. Njegov sovražni odnos do Jezusa in tistih, ki so verovali vanj, se je spremenil v ljubezen.

Nedelja, 13. januar: – Evangelij nam danes pove, da je Janez Krstnik krstil Jezusa, Sveti Duh je prišel nadenj v podobi goloba in Bog Oče je spregovoril: “Ti si moj ljubljeni Sin, nad teboj imam veselje.” In še preden je Jezus prišel k reki, ga je ta pokazal ljudem rekoč: “Jagnje božje, ki odjemlje greh sveta.”

Jezusov krst je priložnost, da se spomnimo na naš krst. Krščeni smo bili: “V imenu Očeta in Sina in Svetega Duha.” Pri krstu nam je bil izbrisan izvirni greh in smo postali božji otroci, bratje in sestre Jezusa, dediči nebes ter člani Cerkve. Krst je prvi in najpomembnejši zakrament. Le kdor je krščen more prejeti ostale zakramente. Po zakramentih pa deluje Jezus in nam pomaga živeti po božji volji. Ta pomoč prihaja, ker nas Bog ljubi in želi, da bi se navzeli njegove ljubezni in postali resnično «ljubljeni božji otroci».

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." God is pleased with us when we keep his commandments, when we do his will.

BARAGOVA NEDELJA – prihodnja nedelja: – Božji služabnik škof Friderik Irenej Baraga je umrl 19. januarja 1868 v Marquettu, kamor je leta 1854 prenesel škofijski sedež iz Saul-Sainte-Marie. Umrl je v sluhu svetosti. Kljub hudi zimi, so množice vernih

prihajale in so se z molitvijo in dotikom ljubljenega škofa, od njega poslavljale in se mu priporočale. Priporočajmo se mu tudi mi, naj posreduje za nas, da bi živeli po božji volji in se zveličali.

Bishop Baraga was born 1779, 1823 he was ordained as priest, and on December 31, 1830 he stepped to the American soil to work as missionary. On July 29, 1853 he was named bishop of Sault Sainte Marie, died on January 19, 1868 in Marquette. As we remember him we are invited to follow his example and pray that he would be officially recognized as blessed and saint to be our inspiration and sign of love, compassion and generosity.

DANES – POSEBNA: – St Peter Apostle – v pomoč za vsgojo duhovnikov v tretjem svetu.

- V nedeljo, 20. januarja, bo druga nedeljska maša v angleščini. Obvestite in povabite predvsem mlajše!

- On Sunday, January 20, second Mass in English. Please, notify and invite younger members and encourage them to come to take part at the English Mass.