CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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PENTECOST SUNDAY



The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost, we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The

account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. We know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the Feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam at the time of Creation. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiving of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

†Edie Kyzelyte Houle ("Kretinga") 9 a.m. 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in Ukraine and the world Novena - for living and deceased Mothers †Valentinas and Marija Indris (R.Indris) (Stanevicius family) †Elena Stanevicius for Urniezius' and Rimkevicius' deceased family members (Urniezius) †Antanas and Monika Bumbulis (family) †Ada Lemezys (V.White) (D.L.Simanavicius) †Antanas Laurinaitis (Juodis family) †Katerina Kraciun (family) †Sarunas Ivaniukas

blessings of the Lord for Danute and her family



2023

June 3

Run for Hope

June 4

Confirmation

June 9 - 11

Camp "Kretinga" -

Work Weekend

Camp Kretinga

July 2-15 (En.)

July 16 - 29 (Lith.)

October 14

MOZAIKA

A Silent Art Auction

October 20-21

Fall Rummage Sale

November 18

70th Anniversary Parish Dinner

December (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 10

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

Parish office hours

June - October

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 2 pm.

Friday 9 a.m. - 1 pm.

August 6th - closed

September 4th - closed

(Prakapas family)

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Grazina Adie and Dana Pranaitis11 AM - choir "Svaja"organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses May 29 - June 4

MONDAY (May 29): 7 p.m. Novena; for Zilinskas' and Maziliauskas' deceased family members (I.Kavanagh);

TUESDAY (May 30): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (May 31): 7 p.m. Novena; †Albina and Juozas Buozis (Buozis family);

THURSDAY (June 1): 7 p.m. †Marija Gudelis (A.E.Bubulis); †Joana Zenkevicius ("Kretinga");

FRIDAY (June 2): 7 p.m. †Eugenijus Bersenas (Jaglowitz family);

SATURDAY (June 3): 9 a.m. for "Run for Hope" committee and participants; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Antonina Chrulskis and Cesius Malinauskaitis (E.Shishkus);

SUNDAY (June 4): 9 a.m. for Beresnevicius' deceased family members (N.Slivinskas) 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Stasys Prakapas (family); †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (I.Vaisnoras); †Ona and Vytautas Judvytis (daughter); †Marija and Jonas Gudelis and deceased family members (D.Gudelis); †Marija Matusevicius (family); †Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis (I.Matus); †Janina Sungaila (family); †Algis Medelis (GJ); for forgotten souls (Prakapas family).

Capital Fund - *\$ 345,260*

B.Pichler - \$ 50

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections in "Vilnius Manor" and May 21st

34 envelopes - \$ 808 No envelopes - \$ 79.20 Direct deposit - \$ 1,205

THANK you for your generosity



Annual Resurrection Parish Run for Hope - Iune 3rd

Join the 5K run or 1 K walk

All proceeds to be donated to St. Francis Cancer Support Centre in Klaipeda, Lithuania.

Registration: https://forms.gle/7y7jvXE7K8YbH7Rm7.

e-transfer: viltiesb@gmail.com

In person registration will take place each Sunday after mass, downstairs in front of the parish cafeteria.

If you have any questions, please contact:

gintare_kalendra@yahoo.ca

P.S. Mrs. Aldona Kerpyte, head of the Oncology Center in Klaipėda, sent a documentary film made 5 years ago about the Oncology Center, its activities and sincere people.

Movie link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQloAzhhJss

Camp, "KRETINGA" invites all to a
Counsellors' work weekend - June 9th - 10th
Work Weekend - June 16th - 18th.

Guaranteed: a place to sleep and delicious food. For more information: Wally Dauginis: wally.dauginis@bell.ca

P.S. * paid positions available for help in the kitchen 2-4 weeks in July; *As well, could someone donate an SUV or VAN to the camp?
We WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL..

MOZAIKAI

Silent Art Auction - October 14th

ALL are invited to support MOZAIKA II by donating artwork: sculptures, paintings, prints. We will gladly accept donations at the Church office Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

For more information, please contact: <u>raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com</u>

The last 2023 SHARE LIFE Campaign on June 4th. You will find envelopes in the church vestibule.

Please consider supporting the Archdiocesan charities by using the envelopes or by going to the internet <u>www.archtoronto.org</u> and using the **DONATE NOW**.

Each year, thousands of people turn to a ShareLife agency for help. Our agencies provide service in an environment that is infused with Catholic values, bringing the Gospel message to the marginalized.

When we support ShareLife, we are making more than a financial contribution – we are demonstrating that the Catholic community is actively making a difference in the social service network in our archdiocese! Thank you...

The Toronto Folk Dance Ensemble Gintaras is inviting everyone to "Find the Fern Blossom Festival" on June 24th at the Anapilis halls in Mississauga. Doors open at 2 pm and the festivities will continue until 1am. Advance tickets are available online: \$20 for adults, \$10 for children (5-16) at togintaras.ticketspice.com/gintarines-jonines.

At the door, tickets will be \$25 for adults and \$15 for children (5-16). For more information about the event go to torontogintaras.com.

The Resurrection Parish "Labdara" committee is pleased to announce that our spring Rummage Sale was a success, not only financially but in bringing people together for this worthwhile event!

All net proceeds are given to the parish.

The remaining funds are held in an account for the next sale.

All other items were donated to - Ukranian Community, Dr, Simone- Food for Children, Bible Mission, Salvation Army, prisoners(books).

We are sincerely grateful to all who contributed their time and effort before, during and after the rummage sale.

We THANK our Franciscan fathers, Pastor Jonas, Rev. Fr. Augustinas for their continued support and encouragement, Fr. Raimundas who worked tirelessly all week and Gitana for her ongoing support!

During the sale, the Labdara committee members were : Birute Bireta, Gajute Budra, Birute Kazlauskas, Aldona Levisauskas, Grazina Matukas, Birute Pichler, Ramune Stravinskas and co-chairs Judita Cuplinskas, Dalia Nausedas, Dalia Rocca.

AČIŪ to ALL!

30th "Toronto Challenge" walk/run event will happen on **Sunday, June 11th at 9:00am in Toronto downtown**. We are inviting you to register for a 5 km run or 1/5 km walk and/or donate to the cause.

All donations will be used to enhance residents' snoozing/sensory room and to upgrade 3rd and 2nd floor common areas.

You can register through "Running Room — Toronto Challenge-2023" site or see Nerijus Augutis @Labdara (labdaravolunteering@gmail.com) 416-232-2112 ext. 412

To donate online, visit: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/ pages/feeling-more-like-home/

Sincere Thank You for your participation and support! Team Labdara



Nursing Home Labdara Foundation's 2023 Annual General Meeting will take place on June 22, 2023 Church of the Resurrection Hall (1 Resurrection Rd, Etobicoke) 7:00 pm, with registration at 6:30 pm.

We hope to see you there!

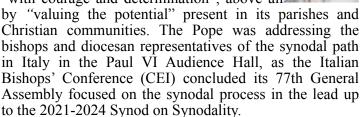
LMAC Exhibition

After a successful showing at the Old Fort Erie Museum last summer, our exhibition "European"

Traces in the War of 1812" will be presented at the Lithuanian Museum Archives of Canada beginning May 28th. This is the story of 99 soldiers, born in the Grand Dutchy of Lithuania, who reached Canadian soil and fought for the British in the War of 1812 between Britain/Canada and the United States. Visitors will see a replica of a regimental unform and will have the chance to sample some baked goods made from a recipe from that time. Exhibition details: May 26-June 19, 2023. Open daily from 11 am- 4 pm except Saturdays.

Pope to Italian Bishops: A synodal Church is open to everyone

Pope Francis on Thursday encouraged the Italian Church to continue its synodal process "with courage and determination", above all



A unique spiritual experience of conversion and renewal - The Holy Father introduced his speech by noting that the process is a "unique spiritual experience of conversion and renewal" which can make ecclesial communities "more missionary and more prepared to evangelize today's world". As the Italian Church concludes the two-year listening phase and enters the discerning phase, he therefore offered four recommendations responding to some questions submitted by the CEI Permanent Committee regarding the pastoral priorities for the Italian Church, how to overcome objections and concerns, and the participation of clergy and lay people.

Ecclesial co-responsibility - The second instruction the Pope gave was to make Church together, that is enhancing "ecclesial co-responsibility" by involving all the baptized in the life and mission of the Church as called for by the Second Vatican Council.

Church ministry – the Pope stressed – can never be exercised without others. This applies to bishops, whose ministry cannot do without that of priests and deacons and to priests and deacons themselves, but also to the entire community of the baptized, "in which each one walks with other brothers and sisters at the school of the one Gospel and in the light of the Spirit".

An open Church - The third point highlighted by Pope Francis was to be a Church open to everyone., able to listen to the voices of young people, women, the poor, those who are disillusioned, those who have been hurt in their lives, as opposed to what is still perceived as "self-referential" and clerical Church.

A "restless" Church - Finally, the last instruction Pope Francis gave to be a "restless" Church "that welcomes the challenges of our time, that knows how to go out to everyone to proclaim the joy of the Gospel", without prejudices.

The Holy Spirit is the protagonist of the synodal process - Bringing his address to a close, Pope Francis again encouraged the Italian Church to continue this journey together, trusting in the Holy Spirit, "the protagonist of the synodal process". "It is He who opens individuals and communities to listening; it is he who makes dialogue authentic and fruitful; it is he who enlightens discernment; it is he who directs choices and decisions. It is he above all the One who creates harmony and communion in the Church", Pope Francis concluded.

"Let's entrust ourselves the Holy Spirit. He is harmony. He causes all this disorder, but He is capable of creating harmony which is something totally different from the order that we could create by ourselves."

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You can donate to the parish and for parish causes through: envelopes; eTransfers (email:

resparish@prisikelimas.ca;

Q: What is the name of the parish?

A: Resurrection; (indicating to whom the donation is addressed) or on the **parish site** <u>www.prisikelimas.ca/give</u>.

Through banks - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

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Parish in the MEMO: Donation to Parish or Mass.

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