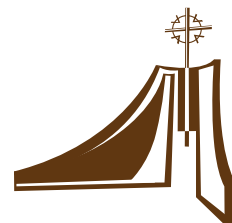


CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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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. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is, 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 upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. 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 forgiveness 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." (daily scripture.net) †R.R.

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

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m.	†Michael Brough	(D.Pranaitis)
11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners for peace in the world Novena - for living and deceased Mothers	
	†Eugenijus Cuplinskas	(family)
	for Sakevicius' and Gudelis' deceased family members	(family)
	request grace of health for Stella Gruchalla	(family)
	†Elvyra and Juozas Vosylius	(Brigita)
	†Ona and Eligijus Narusis and Albertas Staskevicius	(R.J.Karasiejus)
	†Dorothy Kucinskas	(N.Ruslys)
	†Julius Nevulis	(O.Dirmantas)
	†Janina Songaila	(daughter and family)
	†Regina Panavas	(I.Stanaitis)

2024

May 26

Confirmation

June 1

Run for Hope

June 7-9

Camp "Kretinga" -

Work Weekend

Camp Kretinga

July 7-20 (En.)

July 21 - August 3 (Lith.)

Family Camp

August 17 - 24

October 18-19

Fall Rummage Sale

November 9

Annual Dinner

December (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 1

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

**Parish office
hours**

June - October

Monday - Friday

9 a.m. - 2 pm.

Friday

9 a.m. - 1 pm.

July 1 - closed

August 5 - closed

September 2 - closed

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Zibute Janeliunas and Ted Chornomaz

11 AM - Julija Danaitis

organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (May 20): 7 p.m. Novena; †Leonas Norvaisa, Norvaisa and Ramanauskas' deceased family members (Norvaisa family);

TUESDAY (May 21): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (May 22): 7 p.m. Novena; †Katarinas and Juozas Alisauskss (D.J.Didzbalis);

THURSDAY (May 23): 7 p.m. Novena; †Henrikas Paskauskas (R.J.Balaisis); †Ruta Bekeris (Jaglowitz family); †Vytautas Uspalis (2nd anniv.) (R.R.Smolskis);

FRIDAY (May 24): 7 p.m. Novena; †Stasys Prakapas (family);

SATURDAY (May 25): 9 a.m. Novena; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" blessings of the Lord for Violeta and her family (I.Matus);

SUNDAY (May 26): 9 a.m. †Algirdas Smolskis (family); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena - for living and deceased Mothers; †Elena Stanevicius (Stanevicius family); request grace of health for Joana (VDG); in thanksgiving (V.White); †Margarita Paplauskas (1st anniv.) (V.Zaleckaite); †Vitas Senda (Senda family); †Liudas Matukas (family); for Cuplinkas', Matulionis' and Stonkus' living and deceased family members (family).

Capital Fund - \$ 372,145

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (05.12) & "Vilnius Manor"

Collections -

48 envelopes - \$ 1,915

No envelopes - \$ 136.05

Direct deposit - \$ 935

THANK you for your generosity...

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, You are God. I praise you because you are holy, and I thank you for dwelling in my heart.

Thank you for working in my life. You guided me into salvation, renewed my dead spirit, and you opened my eyes to the Truth. Thank you.

Help me to see you more clearly – to recognize your movement in my life. Make me more sensitive to you so I can follow you more closely. Still, I know that I am selfish and rebellious. I need you to help me be obedient when I recognize your leading. I need you.

I ask you for your help and comfort today.

You know my pain and anxieties very well.

Thank you for praying over me.

Help me to rest in your comfort today.

Help me to walk in you, the Spirit of God.

Grow good fruit in my life. You are the one who produces these in me: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

I cannot live out these things on my own; I need you.

Amen



LITHUANIAN SONG FESTIVAL 2025

"Volunge" is preparing to take part in the upcoming Song Festival in Cleveland. If you would like to join us in representing Lithuanian-Canadians at the festival, please register **by June 16th**.

Rehearsals will begin in the fall.

Registration form: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdgeuXmjPedLO7NoP6HzJo-WKT3ho-56CHXv9RPboSrR8C9Mg/viewform>

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or send email: dalia.viskontas@gmail.com



We invite you to LMAC to view an exhibition of sculptures in wood and stone by Gintaras Repečka.

This exhibition is a celebration of the enchanting and the ethereal, a reminder of our shared human heritage and the universal reverence for the natural world. It is a call to preserve the ancient whispers of the forests that still echo in the presence of the unseen.

Exhibition details: May 21 - July 31, 2024. Open Monday through Friday 11am - 4pm., Sunday May 26, June 2, 9, 16, 11am - 4pm.



11th Annual Run for Hope - June 1st

Join the 5K run or 1 K walk

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

Registration: <https://forms.gle/oXFAt1M5utaoz3ex7>
e-transfer: viltiesb@gmail.com

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

If you have any questions, please contact: gintare_kalendra@yahoo.ca



Camp “**KRETINGA**” invites all to
Work Weekend on June 7th - 9th.

Guaranteed: a place to sleep and delicious food.

For more information Wally Dauginis:

wally.dauginis@bell.ca

2024 CAMP “KRETINGA”

English camp July 7th - 20th

Lithuanian camp July 21st - August 3rd

https://form.jotform.com/camp_kretinga/2024-

[Camper Registration](#)

We can't wait to see YOU ALL!

Join in for Family Camp -

We Are All One Big Lithuanian Family

This is an open invitation to everyone to join us in a summer camping experience dedicated to renewing our shared Lithuanian heritage within a spirit of Roman Catholicism. This camp welcomes all multi generational families and persons of all ages, young and old.

Sunday, August 18 to Saturday, August 24, 2024

Location: Camp Kretinga – 9 Endrus Rd., Wasaga Beach.

For more information or to register please contact: Lili Steer 416-801-3689, lili.steer@sympatico.ca

KLB announcement

In recognition of the 75th anniversary of the Toronto Lithuanian Canadian Community (the Toronto Chapter of the LCC) let us honour the departed community members who volunteered in their respective organizations.

The commemoration will take place during the cemetery visitation day May 26, at St. John's Lithuanian Cemetery in Mississauga. The Toronto Lithuanian Canadian Community is dedicating a special commemorative flag to be placed on the appropriate gravesites in memory of those volunteers.

The commemorative flags will be available in the Anapolis Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please have a family member or a representative of an organization pick up the flag(s) and secure them on the appropriate gravesite(s).

For further information about this project, please contact us at torontoklb@gmail.com.

-Toronto KLB board

Pope: Charity is the work of the Holy Spirit in us



Pope Francis reflects on "charity" at his weekly General Audience, saying that the theological virtue "comes from God and is directed towards God, and enables us to love God... and to love our neighbour as God loves them."

Pope Francis turned his thoughts to the theological virtue of charity on Wednesday as he continued his series of catechesis on the vices and the virtues.

He began his reflection with the passage of St Paul: "So faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love." The Holy Father noted that these words were addressed to the Christians of Corinth, who suffered from division and strife – even in the Eucharistic celebration.

The virtue of charity comes from God

"Who knows, but perhaps in the community of Corinth, no one thought they had committed a sin," the Pope said. If that was the case, they might have found Paul's condemnation of their strife "incomprehensible."

Although they might have imagined they were good and loving people, St Paul's challenged them on true charity, which comes from God. "Paul is concerned that in Corinth – as among us, too, today – there is confusion and that there is actually no trace of the theological virtue, the one that comes to us only from God," Pope Francis said.

'A greater love'

Like every human person, the Pope explained, Christians are capable of "all the forms of love in the world": romantic love, love of friends, country, humanity.

"But there is a greater love," Pope Francis said, "which comes from God and is directed towards God, and enables us to love God... and to love our neighbour as God does."

This is the virtue of charity, which enables us not only to love our friends and family, but to love even those people that it is difficult to love. "This is 'theological'," the Pope said, because "it comes from God, it is the work of the Holy Spirit in us."

A difficult virtue to practice

Recalling the Sermon on the Mount, the Holy Father showed that Jesus revealed love "as a theological that assumes the name of charity." It is a difficult virtue to practice, even an impossible one "if one does not live in God."

But beyond the normal loves and affections of the human heart, he said, "Christian love embraces what is not lovable, it offers forgiveness, blesses those who curse. It is a love so ardent that it seems almost impossible, and yet it is the only thing that will remain of us."

And he concluded with the warning that, in our final moments, "we will not be judged on generic love, but precisely on charity," and quoted the words of Jesus, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

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

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