

# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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29th Sunday in Ordinary time - A



In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration

would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God? ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com)) †R.R.

**Give the Lord glory, glory and honor.**

## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

- |         |  |                     |
|---------|--|---------------------|
| 9 a.m.  | †Antanas Gverdys (20th anniv.)   | (N.Simanavicius)    |
| 11 a.m. | for living and deceased parishioners                                     |                     |
|         | for peace in Israel, Ukraine and the world                               |                     |
|         | for Labdara's rummage sales' living and deceased helpers                 |                     |
|         | †Jonas Stanaitis   | (I.Stanaitis)       |
|         | †Juozas and Albinas Kriauciunas  | (I.Balsys)          |
|         | †Saulius Masionis  | (wife and daughter) |
|         | †Jonas Dirmantas   | (O.Dirmantas)       |
|         | †Alfonsas and Birute Juozapavicius                                       | (family)            |
|         | †Raimundas Sungaila  | (V.White)           |
|         | for Bumbulis', Midlinas', Navickas' & Kuzmickas' deceased family members | (V.White)           |
|         | request grace of health for Anele and Pijus Kruzikas                     | (A.P.Kruzikas)      |
|         | request grace of health for Stella                                       | (family)            |



2023

**November 5**

Cemetery day

**November 18**

70th Anniversary

Parish Dinner

**November 19**

Parish Family Day

11 am Thanksgiving

Mass

**December (date TBD)**

Advent Retreat

**December 10**

Christmas Concert

**December 25**

Christmas

**SUNDAY,  
NOVEMBER 5TH  
1 HOUR BACK**



**Cantors of the Masses:**  
9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas  
11 AM - "Volunge" women's ensemble  
organist - Ilona Beres

### The week's Holy Masses

**MONDAY** (October 23): 7 p.m. request grace of health for Anele and Pijus Kruzikas (A.P.Kruzikas);

**TUESDAY** (October 24): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †request grace of health for Anele and Pijus Kruzikas (A.P.Kruzikas);

**WEDNESDAY** (October 25): 7 p.m. †Liudas Matukas (G.Matukas); request grace of health for Anele and Pijus Kruzikas (A.P.Kruzikas);

**THURSDAY** (October 26): 7 p.m. request grace of health for Anele and Pijus Kruzikas (A.P.Kruzikas); †Anele and Kazimieras Skirkus (E.Pranckeviciene);

**FRIDAY** (October 27): 7 p.m. †Jonas Dirmantas (daughter Vida);

**SATURDAY** (October 28): 9 a.m. †Valetinas and Marija Indris (R.Indris); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Janina Zutautas (B.Tamosiunas);

**SUNDAY** (October 29): 9 a.m. †Teresa and Leo Pereira (son and family); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Kazimieras Budreckis (daughter Virginija and family); †Marta Radziunas (1st anniv.) (D.L.Radziunas); †Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, ofm (V.Zaleckaite); †Valentina Dalinda (V.White); †Antanina Bumbulis (V.White); †Edmundas Urniezius (family); †Irena Punkris (R.Simanavicius); request grace of health for Tomas Kuras (family); request grace of health for Stella (family).

**Capital Fund - \$ 347,060**

B.Pichler, NN - \$ 350

**THANK YOU...**

**"For it is in giving that we receive".**

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

**Sunday and "Vilnius Manor" Collections -**

**October 15th - 42 envelopes - \$ 1,235**

No envelopes - \$ 73.60

Direct deposit - \$ 1,135

**THANK you for your generosity...**



### Our parish's 70th anniversary weekend:

The celebration begins **on Saturday, November 18th** with a gala dinner and show, **"Better than Hollywood"** - **TICKETS ARE ALL SOLD OUT.**

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL on Sunday, November 19th** as the celebration, **"From your Hand..."** continues with our parish family and friends at a Mass of Thanksgiving at 11AM, followed by music, youth entertainment, photo apps and a special commemorative video produced by Andy Kaknevičius.

**Confirmation** registration and activities will begin **on October 22nd, 10 a.m.** in the parish meeting room. The registration questionnaire will be handed out at the time of registration.

**THANK YOU to the teachers.**

### Consular Mission in Toronto on 11-12 November 2023

The consular mission will be held at **Prisikélimo parapija (Church of the Resurrection)** 1 Resurrection Rd Toronto, ON., M9A 5G1. Consular services will be provided **from 09 am to 1 pm. and from 2 pm to 6 p.m.** Only persons who have completed their registration and received confirmation of registration will be served during the consular mission. Registration for admission must be completed until **November 3** at electronic registration system - <https://keliauk.urm.lt/consult-registration>

When registering, please select the visit type *Consular Mission*, then proceed to select *Registration for Reception during the Consular Mission in Toronto*. When registering, please mention in the comments section the services you wish to receive, the full names (as shown on the ID), date of birth and of the persons who will receive consular services. When registering for more than one service, please reserve two visit times. Single visit time would be enough if a single party is applying for issuance of two passports.

**During consular missions, the fee for consular services is increased by 50%. (consular fee amounts are published [here](#)). Only debit/credit cards and Interac e-transfers will be accepted during the mission.**

Information about the functions performed by the officers of the consular mission and the documents required for submission, can be found on the website of Embassy's website. Don't hesitate to inquiry about the consular services provided by phone +1 613-567-5458

**Before registering for the consular mission, please assess whether the necessary services of the Lithuanian institutions could be provided remotely.**



**We invite you to LMAC** to view an exhibition of works by two undiscovered photographers of Lithuanian heritage in Canada - V. Pranaitis and A. Urbonavičius.

Exhibition details: **November 5-30; open daily from 11 am- 4 pm except Saturdays.**

**An invitation to all from the residents of "Labdara"!**

**Please come to our "Labdara's" Annual Bake & Craft Sale - Sunday, November 12th, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, "Labdara's" Community Room**

Come out and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and cake, shop for some art and help bring joy to our resident's lives! All of the proceeds will be used to buy much needed supplies for Special Events and Celebrations, for entertainment and trips, that Residents' Council requests throughout the year. If you would be willing to contribute in ANY way, please contact Nerijus Augutis 416-232-2112 x 412, [labdaravolunteering@gmail.com](mailto:labdaravolunteering@gmail.com) every little bit helps!

**We look forward to seeing you!**

*The best way to remember good works  
- repeat them. E. Bacon*



**THANK YOU TO ALL for  
your support, hard work  
and care during last  
week's sale.**

**May the Lord bless your heartfelt  
work and love of fellow neighbour.**

*Labdara - The Parish Committee  
for Charitable Causes*

<...> Remembrance of the deceased prompts us to devote ourselves, to offer ourselves, to trust God and to adapt to His will. Although remembrance recalls the wound of our loss, it does not awaken the bitterness within us, but renews our trustworthiness in God.

With All Souls' Day, the Church, in a special manner, remembers all of the deceased. It prays for all who finished their earthly life's journey and are invited to live the life that the Creator made. From the oldest times, the Church urged all to pray for the deceased. So, it invites us to look at death not as the last word in a person's destiny, but as a passage to everlasting life.

Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that "after death, the new life, received through baptism, is not susceptible to either disintegration, or death's might. To those, who live in Christ, death is the passage from their earthly journeys to their heavenly nation, where the Father warmly meets all His children from all relations, tribes, nations and languages."

Help us, o Lord, to understand the importance of these times and hurriedly make good - this we all desire. God waits for His sons and daughters, returning to the Compassionate Father's home.

Rev. Edmundas PAULIONIS, Pastor of Švenčionėliai (Lithuania) St. Edward's Parish

**We will remember and pray for  
our departed loved ones who  
died during 2022 - 2023 on  
November 1st, 7pm. Let us each  
take the time to come together  
in prayer and song, to light a  
candle for the dearly departed.  
"Volunge" women's ensemble  
will be singing.**



**Pope: St. Charles de Foucauld 'let Jesus act silently'**



At the weekly General Audience, Pope Francis continues his catechesis series on apostolic zeal, and reflects on the joyful witness borne in the Sahara Desert by St. Charles de Foucauld.

Pope Francis picked up his catechesis series on various exemplars of apostolic zeal at the Wednesday General Audience, focusing on Saint Charles de Foucauld. Born in Strasbourg in 1858, St. Charles served as a soldier in the French army before becoming a hermit and Catholic priest among the Tuareg people in Algeria, where he was assassinated in 1916.

The Pope said the saint made Jesus and his poorest brothers and sisters "the passion of his life". After his conversion, St. Charles wrote to a non-believing friend that he had "lost his heart to Jesus of Nazareth."

Pope Francis said his words show that the first step in evangelizing is "to have Jesus at the centre of one's heart." "If this does not happen, we can hardly show it with our lives," he said. "Instead, we risk talking about ourselves, our group, a morality or, even worse, a set of rules, but not about Jesus, His love, His mercy."

Crying out Gospel in silence - The Pope noted that St. Charles de Foucauld moved from "attraction to Jesus to imitation of Jesus," and even felt like a younger brother to the Lord. He went so far as to move to the most remote of places—the Sahara Desert to live among the Tuareg people—to "cry out the Gospel in silence." "Charles let Jesus act silently, convinced that the 'Eucharistic life' evangelizes," he said. "Indeed, he believed that Christ is the first evangelizer."

The saint spent up to 12 hours a day in prayer before the Tabernacle, trusting Jesus to carry out the work of evangelization.

Apostolate of meekness - Pope Francis went on to say that St. Charles foreshadowed the Second Vatican Council by emphasizing the evangelizing mission of the laity. He wrote that "every Christian is an apostle" and that priests need to have lay people close to them who can "evangelize with the closeness of charity".

The Pope invited Christians to take up that call to evangelization "by kneeling and welcoming the action of the Spirit". St. Charles, he added, communicated the beauty of the Gospel through "the apostolate of meekness" and in his desire to be a "universal brother" to everyone.

"Gradually these bonds generated fraternity, inclusion, appreciation of the other's culture," said Pope Francis. "Goodness is simple and asks us to be simple people, who are not afraid to offer a smile."

Christian joy as charity - In conclusion, Pope Francis invited everyone live with "with Christian joy, Christian meekness, Christian tenderness, Christian compassion, and Christian closeness.

The Holy Father noted, "With the smile, with his simplicity Brother Charles bore witness to the Gospel. Never proselytism, never: witness. Evangelization is never done through proselytism, but through witness, through attraction."

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Q: What is the name of the parish?

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

Through banks - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

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