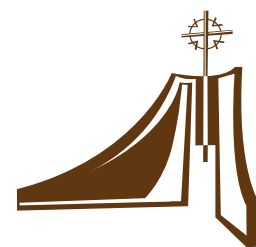


CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 5 (3532) February 4th, 2024

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B



Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus Christ, you have all power to heal and to deliver from harm. There is no trouble nor bondage you cannot overcome. Set me free to serve you joyfully and to love and serve others generously. May nothing hinder me from giving myself wholly to you and to your service." (dailyscriptures.net) †R.R.

Praise the Lord who heals the brokenhearted.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

- 9 a.m. special intention (G)
- 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners
for peace in the world
for sports club "Ausra" living and deceased members
†Laimute Gaizutis (15th anniv.) (R.Gaizutis)
for Cuplinskas', Matulionis' & Stonkus' living and deceased family members (family)
†Monsignor Jonas Staskevicius (R.J.Karasiejus)
†Juozas Bansevicius (3rd anniv.) (family)
request grace of health for Anele Kruzikas (sister and family)
†Bronislava Damasius-Dundzys and deceased family members (I.Beres)
†Vitas Senda (Senda family)
†Juozas and Donatas Zemaitis deceased family members (GK)
†Birute Abromaitis (10th anniv.) (A.Baltakys)
†Petronele Dirvonskis (grandson)

2024

February 11

Pancake Sunday

February 14

Ash Wednesday

March 3

St. Casimir's Fair

March (date TBD)

Lenten Retreat

March 28-31

Holy week

March 31

Easter

April 7, 2pm

*Choirs "Balsas" and
"Volunge" concert*

April 21

Annual Parish Meeting

April 26-27

Spring Rummage Sale

May 5

First Communion

June (date TBD)

Run for Hope

June (date TBD)

Confirmation

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

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Zibute Janeliunas and Ted Chornomaz

11 AM - Aleksia Vadauskas

organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (February 5): 7 p.m. †Jadvyga Gerulskis (R.J.Balaisis);

TUESDAY (February 6): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners;

WEDNESDAY (February 7): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving - request grace of health for Romas (GJ);

THURSDAY (February 8): 7 p.m. †Dana Puzeris ("Kretinga");

FRIDAY (February 9): 7 p.m. †Ona and Sergejus Prostovas (R.J.Balaisis); †Brone Maziliauskas (10th anniv) (I.Kavanagh);

SATURDAY (February 10): 9 a.m. †Antanina and Jonas Prakapas (family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Vincas Beresnevicius (30th anniv.) (B.Tamosiunas);

SUNDAY (February 11): 9 a.m. †Grazina Sudeikis (E.Sudeikis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis (daughter); †Antanina and Antanas Dunauskas (O.Stoncius); †Veronika, Benediktas, Antanas and Vytautas Navickas (I.F.Zilinskas); †Anele and Vytautas Kondrotas & Emilija and Vladas Bacevicius (daughter); †Stefanija and Antanas Dvanaruskas (MV); †Zygimantas Ramanauskas and deceased family members (MV); for Matukas' and Lapurkas' living and deceased family members (GK).

Capital Fund - 371,345

R.J. Birgiolas, S.Gruchalla, R.L.Steer,
R.A.Sileika, I.F.Zilinskas - \$290

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (01.28) & "Vilnius Manor" Collections -

55 envelopes - \$ 1,630

No envelopes - \$ 114.75

Direct deposit - \$ 1,420

In memory of Sofia Augaitis, the family
donated \$ 1,000 to the parish

THANK you for your generosity...



CONGRATULATIONS TO sports club "AUŠRA"
- blessings of the Lord and good luck.

Sports club „Aušra“ announcement and invite

The Aušra Sports Club was established 02.16.1955 in Toronto.

2024 marks the 69th year of its beginnings.

The Club will be celebrating its 69th on Sunday, February 4th, with the Lithuanian Community at the Church of the Resurrection Church and Halls.

All are encouraged to attend the following events:

10:15 am JK to grade 8 meet in the gym for a team building event with LEGO Graeme Dymond.

Celebration of Mass at 11:00 am.

Photo of all coaches (past and present) after Mass.

Lithuanian lunch is available for the cost of \$12 cash (Catered by Onute Rekus, mother of an Ausra SC player).

1:00 pm table tennis exhibition games for all ages.

1:00pm basketball drills and skills for grades 3-8 by coach Rimas Miečius.

2:30 pm Aušra SC men versus Anapilis men.

Basketball games in High-Performance gym. Table tennis games in foyer.

We invite everyone to PANCAKE SUNDAY -

next Sunday, on February 11th, after 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Mass amazing cooks will offer delicious pancakes.

Music will be provided by our KAPELA and
the Parish Children's choir.

We invite everyone to attend!



Our parish "Labdara" committee CONTINUES The
FOOD DRIVE in aid of the needy in Toronto and INVITES
ALL to participate.

NON-PERISHABLE Food may be brought and left in the
box provided, at the parish door.

Thank you in advance for your kind donations.



Senior 55+ Valentine's Dance

Friday, February 9th, 7pm

Church of the Resurrection

\$20 per person. Cash Bar

Dress Code: Casual with a **Splash of Red!**

Space is limited.

RSVP to: ritagrybas@gmail.com or 647-625-2625.

If you wish to bring an appetizer please contact:

victoria.vingelis@gmail.com or 647-225-3573

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2024 CAMP "KRETINGA"



English camp

July 7th - 20th

Lithuanian camp

July 21st - August 3rd

[https://form.jotform.com/](https://form.jotform.com/camp_kretinga/2024-Camper_Registration)

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We can't wait to see YOU ALL!



Spring is a time of rebirth and a beautiful opportunity to continue with the

Lenten spirit of giving; doing good deeds for others. We invite everyone to write heartfelt Easter greeting cards for the seniors living at "Labdara" nursing home. Your greetings will bring them hope, love, happiness, and a feeling of close connection to our community.

We welcome everyone to the parish cafe March 17th, and 24th. After each Mass, you will have an opportunity to make some greeting cards. All materials will be provided.

For further questions, please contact Vida Dirmantaite-Groen in 't Woud; vidag@primus.ca

We thank you for your continued generosity.

Toronto KLB board INVITE

February 25th, 2024

Documentary film "Oars over the Atlantic" viewing in celebration of Lithuania's Independence. Film to be presented by author/producer Aurimas Valujavičius.

Aurimas crossed the Atlantic Ocean in a single-seat rowing boat to mark the 90th anniversary of the flight of Lithuanian pilots S.Darius ir S.Girenas. In so doing, he became the first Lithuanian and the third person in the world to complete such a route.

More information to come, shortly.

Pope at Audience: Reconcile, let go of anger before the sun sets



At the weekly General Audience, Pope Francis reflects on the sin of wrath and invites us to guard against channelling our anger unjustly, insisting that we follow the Lord's example of forgiveness.

Wrath and anger have a tendency to grow out of control, and thus we are called to actively seek peace and reconciliation.

Pope Francis gave this reminder during his Wednesday General Audience held in the Vatican's Paul VI Hall.

Continuing his catechesis series on virtues and vices, the Pope focused this week on the sin of wrath, calling it a particularly "dark vice."

Wrath, the Pope said, is perhaps the easiest to detect from a physical point of view. "The person dominated by wrath can hardly conceal this impetus; you recognise it by the movements of their body, their aggressiveness, their laboured breathing, their grim and frowning gaze."

Often targets first offender rather than the guilty - In its most acute manifestation, the Pope noted, anger is a vice "that leaves no respite." "If it arises from an injustice suffered or deemed to be so," the Pope observed, "it is often not unleashed against the guilty party, but against the first offender."

"There are people," he acknowledged, "who hold back their anger at work, proving to be calm and compassionate, but once at home they become unbearable for their spouses and children."

Wrath, he acknowledged, can pervade our being, robbing us of sleep and causing us to rerun it in our minds. Moreover, he said, it destroys relationships. Lingering resentment and detestation slowly but surely degenerate relationships, he said.

Reconcile before the sun sets - The Apostle Paul, aware of how anger can grow out of control, the Pope said, urged Christians "to address the problem at once and seek to reconcile."

"It is important that everything be dissolved immediately, before the sun sets," the Holy Father insisted. "If some misunderstanding may arise during the day and two people may no longer understand each other, suddenly perceiving themselves to be far apart," the Pope said, address it and reconcile, so "the night will not be handed over to the devil."

Otherwise, he observed, wrath will "keep us awake in the dark, brooding over our reasons and unaccountable mistakes that are never ours and always the other's."

Forgive us our trespasses - The Pope recalled the 'Our Father' prayer's call to forgiveness. If forgiveness isn't practiced, he said, people break away from one another.

The Pope said that while wrath is a terrible vice and often at the origin of wars and violence, "not everything that is born of wrath is wrong." The ancients, he recalled, were well aware that there is an irascible part in us that cannot and must not be denied.

"We are not," the Holy Father pointed out, "responsible for anger, in its arising, but always in its development."

Vent anger properly - Sometimes, Pope Francis said, it is good to vent anger in the right way. "If a person never gets angry, if they are not indignant at an injustice, if they do not feel something quivering in their gut at the oppression of a weak person," the Pope said, "it would mean that this person is not human, and much less a Christian."

Pope Francis acknowledged the existence of "holy indignation." "Jesus knew it several times in His life," he recalled, marveling that the Lord "never responded to evil with evil."

"In His soul, He felt this feeling and, in the case of the merchants in the Temple, performed a strong and prophetic action, dictated not by anger but by zeal for the house of the Lord."

Pope Francis concluded by urging the faithful to seek the help of the Holy Spirit in properly managing their passions, in order to turn them into a tool for good.

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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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RCU Board of Directors Candidate Nominations

2024 elections

NOMINATION PERIOD:

Opens: February 1, 2024

Closes: March 15, 2024 at 12:00 noon

SAVE THE DATE

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Learn more at:
rpcul.com



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March 4, 2024

1573 Bloor Street West

Parama's Annual General Meeting



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