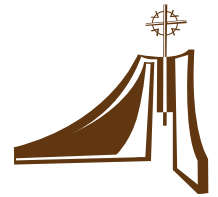


CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr.11 (3433) March 13th, 2022

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT - C



On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

*The Lord is my light and my salvation;
the Lord is my light and salvation.*

(CBW p.49)

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

9 a.m. for peace in Ukraine and the world

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

†Eugenijus Siciunas

(wife)

†Ona and Juozapas Vydmantas

(granddaughter)

†Albina Laurinaitis (1st anniv.)

(family)

†Jeronimas Pleinys

(R.Pleinys)

†Emma and Juozas Janusaitis

(B.V.Bireta)

†Irena Petkus

("Kretinga")

†Bronius Matusevicius (36th anniv.)

(family)

†Antanas Bumbulis

(family)

†Algimantas Martusevicius

(daughter)

†Elena Blavescius

(A.J.Palis and V.V.Prasauskas)

†Alfredas Stanevicius and Nijole Stanevicius-Hernandez (A.G.Valavicius)

blessings of the Lord for Jonas, Matas and Luiza

(E.Pranckevicius)

Sunday Masses

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Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas
11 AM - Audra Rusinas, Adriana Verbyla,
Elenute Lelis, Rasa Siauciunas, Daina Cers,
Monika Satkauskas, Ele Stravinskis,
Daina Sablinskas, Lina Samonis
organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (March 14): 7 p.m. special intention (NN); †Adam and Juozas Benetis (E.Benetis);

TUESDAY (March 15): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; †Birute Gaigalis (G.Gaizutis);

WEDNESDAY (March 16): 7 p.m. †Fritz and Diana Violas (A.Ulba);

THURSDAY (March 17): 7 p.m. †Petras Murauskas (18th anniv.) (daughter Ramona and family); †Vytautas and Eugenija Balciunas (G.Gaizutis);

FRIDAY (March 18): 7 p.m. †Birute Norkus (K.Pylypiv);

SATURDAY (March 19): †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" for Zakevicius', Macikunas' and Verbyla deceased family members (V.Verbyla);

SUNDAY (March 20): 9 a.m. for peace in Ukraine and the world; 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Sarunas Stankevicius (V.Zaleckaite); †Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevičius (family); †Silvija Freimanas (V.Puzeris); †Rimantas Anskis (Stanevicius family); †Saulius Masionis and Augusta (R.Masionis); for Matusevicius', Petrulis', Eidukaitis' & Brazaitis' deceased family members (relatives); †Algimantas Martusevicius (daughter); †Algimantas Syvokas (R.R.Syvokas); †Vytautas Markuvenas and Janina Domarkas (D.Calderon); †Teodoras Stanulis (4th anniv.) (family); †Marija and Bronius Karasiejus (R.J.Karasiejus); †Danguole Baziliauskas (family).

Capital Fund - \$ 327,579

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections of March 6th

41 envelopes - \$ 1,960

No envelopes - \$ 60

Direct deposit - \$ 2,680

Support to UKRAINE - \$ 1,055

THANK you for your generosity

Dear Parishioners, although the instructions already issued by the Ontario government and the Archdiocese announce a number of COVID 19 releases, PLEASE: *wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) while you are in the church building; *sanitize your hands upon entering; *stay at home if you are experiencing cold symptoms. We also ask that you not congregate in the narthex after Mass.

Live streaming of Mass from our parish is continuing Sundays in English at 9 AM and in Lithuanian at 11 AM.

Blessings and let's unite in prayer wherever we are.



Every Thursday during Lent,
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at **5:30 p.m.**
will take place before the evening Holy Mass.
Please come and spend an hour with the Lord.

Reflections on the Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent at 6:15 p.m. before the evening Holy Mass.
Let us in prayer accompany Jesus on his sorrowful journey.



ARE YOU READY?

Camp Kretinga is back and ready to welcome campers for 2022!!!

We are excited to share that we are opening registration for overnight camp (English and Lithuanian speaking) for the summer 2022 season! **See our Covid-19 mandatory vaccination policy for ages 5 + on our website.**

English camp July 3-July 16

Lithuanian camp July 17-July 30

Registrations are online this year!

Those born in 2006 and after can register to be campers using the link below: <https://campkretinga.squarespace.com/>

If you want to apply to be a counsellor, and are born in 2005 or earlier, please complete the application form on our website

<https://campkretinga.squarespace.com/>

We can't wait to see you all IN PERSON!

Our parish CONTINUES our 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.



THANK YOU to the Resurrection Parish Labdara (Charities) Committee for the \$2,000 donation and to ALL YOU for your generosity in supporting the people of Ukraine.

PEACE for UKRAINE!

Donations to provide urgent aid to our Ukrainian brothers and sisters suffering as a result of the war may be made:

1) via the Franciscan Fathers

by cheques: **Franciscan Fathers, Memo: Ukraine;**

2) be made Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org or by cheques:

Resurrection Parish – Ukraine Humanitarian Relief.

We invite you to help our brothers and sisters of Ukraine.

ACTION "LET'S SUPPORT UKRAINE"

For every Sunday in March (while supplies last), from 10am to 12:30pm, the Canadian Lithuanian Youth Association (CLYA) will be selling "AŠ LT" T-shirts and "Vytiš" water bottles at the Parish main entrance. All proceeds collected will be donated to the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. **Glory to Ukraine!**

Spring is a time of rebirth and this is a beautiful opportunity to continue with the Lenten spirit of giving; doing good deeds for others.

Prisikėlimo Parapija invites everyone to write heartfelt Easter greetings to our friends at "Labdara" Nursing Home.

Your greetings will bring them happiness, encouragement and a feeling of close connection to our community.

You may address your home-made or store-bought greeting cards as Gerbiamoji, Gerbiamasis, Mieloji, Mielasis, Dear Friend, etc.

Completed greeting cards can be dropped off in the collection box that is placed in front of the parish doors.



We would like to receive your greetings by Sunday April 10th, as this would allow enough time for your cards to be quarantined and handed out to the residents by the staff.

If you have any questions, please contact Vida - vidag@primus.ca

We thank you for your continued support and outstanding generosity.

Lithuanian food for take out - on March 27th

Pre-ordering is mandatory by email to Grazina Valintiene grazina.valintiene@gmail.com. If you do not receive confirmation by email, please call 647-869-6164. In your email, please specify the items and quantities you wish to order, as well as the time you will be picking up your order.

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Pope at Angelus: Respond to temptation with the Word of God



On first Sunday of Lent, Pope Francis warns the faithful to be vigilant against the temptations that "accompany us on the journey of life," and invites Christians to look to Jesus who "does not make agreements with evil." During his Angelus address on the first Sunday of Lent, Pope Francis focused on Jesus' forty days in the desert and his temptation by the devil.

The Pope explained that the desert "symbolises the struggle against the seductions of evil, in order to learn to choose true freedom." He went on to say that it is precisely through this "spiritual combat" that Jesus decisively affirms what kind of Messiah he intends to be.

The fight against temptation - Turning his attention to the temptations the Lord fights against in the desert, Pope Francis described how the devil comes to him with an enticing proposal. It is as if he were saying, "If you are Son of God, take advantage of it!"... that is, "think of what you will gain". But the Pope explained that this is a proposal that leads to a "slavery of the heart," and reduces everything to the possession of things, power and fame.

Jesus and the Word of God - "Jesus opposes the attractions of evil in a winning way," said the Pope, by responding to temptations with the Word of God, "which says not to take advantage, not to use God, others and things for oneself, not to take advantage of one's position to obtain privileges."

The path to true freedom - Addressing the faithful in St Peter's Square, the Pope underlined that "happiness and freedom do not lie in possessing, but in sharing; not in taking advantage of others, but in loving them; not in the obsession of power, but in the joy of service."

He also warned against the temptations that "accompany us on the journey of life."

Be vigilant - "We must be vigilant, not be frightened: it happens to everyone, and be vigilant because they often appear under an apparent form of good. In fact, the devil, who is cunning, always uses deception," and he even knows "how to disguise himself with sacred, apparently religious motives," Pope Francis said.

The Pope also emphasised that "Jesus never dialogued with the devil," and urged the faithful not to do so either.

He noted that if we give into the devil's flattery, "we end up justifying our falsehood by disguising it with good intentions." There are "compromises with evil," he said. "We must not dialogue with temptation, we must not fall into that sleep of conscience that makes us say: "after all, it's not serious, everyone does it."

Look to Jesus - In conclusion, the Pope invited the faithful to look to Jesus "who does not seek compromises, does not make agreements with evil. He opposes the devil with the Word of God, which is stronger than the devil, and so he overcomes temptation."

"May this time of Lent also be a time of desert for us," Pope Francis said. "Let us take time for silence and prayer, for a bit: it will do us good; in these spaces, we stop and look at what is stirring in our hearts, our inner truth, ... placing ourselves before the Word of God in prayer, so that a positive fight against the evil that enslaves us, a fight for freedom, may take place within us."

(RK / Vatican News)

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