### CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST- A



Today's Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God's saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, you nourish and sustain us with your very own presence and life-giving word. You are the bread of life - the heavenly food that sustains us now and that produces everlasting life within us. May I always hunger for you and be satisfied in you alone." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

## O PRAISE THE LORD, JERUSALEM!

#### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

("Kretinga") 9 a.m. †Arthur Augenas 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in Ukraine and the world †Albina Laurinaitis (G.Laurinaitis) †Rita Radziunas (R.M.Rusinas) for Puodziukas' and Valaitis' living and deceased family members (family) (O.Stoncius) †Stase and Rimantas Bartusevicius (M.Grambus) for Grambus' deceased family members (Melnykas family) †Algis Medelis (I.Stankaitis) †Jadze Stankaitis

for deceased friends Danute and Vilchelmina

†Birute Ramanauskas (2nd anniv.)



2023

Camp "Kretinga"

Counsellors' work weekend

<u>June 9 - 11</u>

Work Weekend

<u>June 16 - 18</u>

**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.

July 3rd - closed

August 6th - closed

September 4th - closed

(Sigita)

(J.G.Neimanas)

#### **Cantors of the Masses:**

9 AM - Zibute Janeliunas & Ted Chornomaz11 AM - "Volunge" choirorganist - Ilona Beres

# The week's Holy Masses June 12 - 18

**MONDAY** (June 12): 7 p.m. †Marija Gudelis (Prakapas family); †Kazimieras Gilman (O.Dirmantas);

**TUESDAY** (June 13): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners;

**WEDNESDAY** (June 14): 7 p.m. †Eugenijus Bersenas ("Kretinga"); request grace of health for Valentinas Augutis (son);

**THURSDAY** (June 15): 7 p.m. †Marija Gudelis (V.Smailys);

FRIDAY (June 16): 7 p.m. †Vytas and Matilda Mazulaitis (Buozis family); request grace of health for Elena, Teresele and Valentina (friend);

SATURDAY (June 17): 9 a.m. †Ona Judvytiene (daughter); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Antanas Malinauskas (E.Shishkus); **SUNDAY** (June 18): 9 a.m. †Jonas Dirmantas (daughter Vida); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Inocentas Jurcevicius (15th anniv.) (family); for Pleinys' and Vysniauskas' deceased family members (family); †Juozas Oleka (O.Oleka); ffather Vytautas and grandfathers (GJ); for Urbonas', Bacenas' and Rusinas' deceased fathers (R.M.Rusinas); †Liudas Oleka (R.Oleka); †Juozas Kaulius (daughter Aldona); †Jonas Ragainis (family); †Vladas Melnykas (family); †Mykolas Slapsys, sr. (GJ); †Aloyzas Pazera and Kazimieras Martusevicius (family).

# Capital Fund - \$ 345,810 THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections in "Vilnius Manor " and June 4th

55 envelopes - \$ 2,305 No envelopes - \$ 218.70 Direct deposit - \$ 2,675

Parents of Confirmation youth donated \$ 900 to parish

Share Life \$ 60

THANK you for your generosity



June 14 Day of Mourning and Hope.
On this day, Lithuanians who died in exile are remembered in Lithuania.

Light a candle and remember the victims of Soviet terror in your prayers...

## MOZAIKAII

#### 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: <a href="mailto:raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com">raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com</a>

VISUR VISADA

Please join us on June 20th, 2023, in Montreal's Our Last Gate of Dawn Church for the official XVII Lithuanian World Youth

Congress closing reception in Montreal! We invite the Canadian and Montreal Lithuanian communities to come and meet the Congress delegates from all over the world, and enjoy classic potato dishes.

There will be a formal program, followed by dinner and dancing!

Doors open: 6:30pm. Program begins: 7:00pm. There will be a special commemorative mass in honor of Monsignor Edmond Putrimas before the program at 5:45pm. All are welcome.

Tickets must be purchased in advance: \$25/person at Lina Jaugelyte-Zatkovic: <u>j.zlina@yahoo.com</u>
Reach out to kongresas2023@plis.org with any questions.



June 24th **Gintarines Jonines** is almost here.

Tickets can be purchased online (\$20/\$10)until June 18<sup>th</sup> at torontogintaras.ticketspice.com/gintarines-jonines. After June 18<sup>th</sup>, tickets will be available at the door for \$25/\$15. Doors will open at 2:00 pm.

#### The concert will be 4 parts:

2:30 all participants performing; 3:30 Plunge "Suvartukas", Cleveland "Svyturys", Sweden "Baltija; 4:30 Kaunas "Ratelinis", Argentina "Nemunas", Regimantas Silinskas and Ukrainian Dance School "Barvinok"; 5:45 Toronto Gintaras.

Please note that this is a CASH ONLY event. Delicious Lithuanian food will be available for purchase from 2pm-9pm. Bar/beverages will be available for purchase through the entire event

There will be many delights at the Artisans Fair, from 2pm-8pm. The Lithuanian Museum Archives will also welcome visitors.

After the concert, the festivities will continue in the main hall with music, dancing and socializing.

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 cochairs Judita Cuplinskas, Dalia Nausedas, Dalia Rocca.

#### **AČIŪ to ALL!**

Volunteer list: K.A.Ambrozaitis, D.Armstrong, D.Babeckas, V.Baliunas, E.Balsas, O.Bancevicius, D.Baronaitis, B.Batraks, A.Batten, J.Batura, E.R.Birgiolas, Fr.R.Bukauskas, OFM, D.Bonner, R.Breen, A.Bubulis, A.Butrimas, N.Campbell, V.Cernauskas, G.Cerniauskas, R.Cerniauskas, R.Chomyc, R.Choromanskis, A.Ciaucionas, D.Colgan, R.Cygas, K.Dambaras-Janowicz, D.Danaitis, A.DeFina, B.B.Degutis, D.Didzbalis, S.DiMaria, R.Downey, B.Dziengo, T.Esquerra, J.Gabrys, L.Gabrys, V.Gacionis, M.Gaizutis, P.Gaputis, J.K.Gataveckas, R.Girdauskas, R.Girdauskas, M.O.Glodkovas, M.V.Groen in't Woud, T.Groen in't Woud, R.Grybas, I.Gutauskas, A.Hall, M.Heinz, A.Hudek, M.Hurst, G.Jaseliunas, A.Jonikas, A.Jonys, M.Jonys, G.Judvytyte, I.Juodis, V.Juozaitis, T.Polyak, V.Juzukonis, A.Kaminskas, R.Karasijus, A.Karka, D.Kausilas, V.Kausilas, J.Kavaliauskas, G.Kobelskis, I.Koncius, R.A.Krasauskas, I.Krasauskas-Oliveira, L.J.Krisciunas, V.Krisciunas, R.Kuliavas, B.Kuncevicius, J.Kuras, L.Laurinavicius, L.LeBlanc, R.Legere, N.Lewington, A.T.Lingys, J.Macijauskas, A.Maciulis, M.Marcis, N.Mares, V.Minkevicius, G.Misetich, A.Nakrosius, A.Z.Nausedas, A.Nausedas, R.Nausedas, M.V.Navickas, T.Navickas, G.J.Neimanas, A.Oliveira, G.Oliveira, T.Pabreza, R.Paskauskas, C.Petrauskas, I.Petrauskas, I.Pivoriute, A.Pleinys, I.Poskus, K.Povilaitis, B.Prakapas, D.Pranaitis, V.V.Prasauskas, R.D.Puteris, D.Puteris, V.Puzeris, D.Radziunas, I.Radziunas, D.Ramanowska, D.Ratavicius, A.Rimkus, G.Rocca, J.Ruslys, R.Rygelis, V.Sabaliauskas, A.Sakalas, A.R.Saplys, N.Senda, A.Sergautis, R.Siauciulis, Pastor J.Sileika, OFM, R.Sileika, S.Sileika, D.Simanavicius, L.Simanavicius, A.N.Simonaviciai, L.Sirvinskas, D.Skablauskas, V.Smailys, M.A.Sodonis, D.Stacey, I.Stankus, V.Stanevicius, A.Stanevicius-Mills, D.Stanevicius-Mills, O.Stanevicius-Mills, B.Stanulis, R.Stanulis, L.Stanulis-Duz, A.R.Stauskas, R.L.Steer, D.Steponaitis, H.Steponaitis, O.Stoncius, E.Stoncius, V.Stoncius, M.Sungaila, D.Sysak, I.Tarvydas, R.V.Tirilis, Y.Tomasic, J.Totoraitis, L.Underys, R.Urnezius, L.Vadauskas, L.Vadauskas, I.Vaisnoras, R.Vaisvila, R. Valadka, D. Valadka, A.G. Valavicius, D. Vaskevicius, M. Vebeliunas, V. Vingelis, V. Vitkunas, N. Vytas, J. Ycas, I. Zilinskas, L.V.Zubrickas.

May the Lord bless your good works. Labdara - The Parish Committee for Charitable Causes

# Pope at Angelus: The Sign of the Cross makes us feel God's embrace



Pope Francis reassured during his midday Angelus address Sunday on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, as he urged faithful to ask themselves whether they witness God-as-love in their lives and communities.

Dialogue on God's Love with Nicodemus - In the Pope's remarks, he recalled that the Gospel reading according to St. John, for the Solemnity is taken from Jesus' dialogue with Nicodemus. Nicodemus, the Pope reiterated, was a member of the Sanhedrin, "passionate about the mystery of God," who recognized Jesus as "a divine master" and goes to speak to Him at night, in secret. Jesus, the Pope recalled, listened to him, saying that God loved humanity so much that He sent His Son into the world. Jesus, he reiterated, spoke about His Father and His immense love.

Father and Son - "Father and Son," the Pope said, is a familiar image that, if we think about it, disrupts our images of God, which often may seem "a singular, majestic and distant reality." Yet, this concept, of a Father and a Son, he said, "brings us back home."

The Pope said we can think of God through the image of "a family gathered around the table," where life is shared. "Besides, the table, which is also an altar," he pointed out, "is a symbol with which certain icons depict the Trinity. It is an image that speaks to us of a God of communion."

"Father, Son and Holy Spirit: communion," he said. "But it is not only an image," he observed, "it is reality! It is reality because the Holy Spirit, the Spirit that the Father poured into our hearts through Jesus, makes us taste, makes us savour God's presence: a presence that is always close, compassionate and tender."

Invited to share in God's love - The Holy Spirit does with us what Jesus does with Nicodemus, namely He introduces us to the mystery of new birth and reveals the heart of the Father to us, making us sharers in the very life of God. "The invitation he extends to us, we might say, is to sit at the table with God to share in His love, which, he noted, is what happens "at every Mass, at the altar, where Jesus offers Himself to the Father and offers Himself for us."

"By tracing the cross," the Holy Father recalled, "we remind ourselves how much God loved us, to the point of giving His life for us; and we repeat to ourselves that His love envelops us completely, from top to bottom, from left to right, like an embrace that never abandons us."

The Pope encouraged those present, and following, to, in silence, make the sign of the cross.

Witnessing God-as-love - At the same time, the Pope noted, we commit ourselves to bearing witness to God-as-love, creating communion in His name.

Pope Francis asked the faithful to question whether their communities bear witness to this. "Do they know how to love? And our family, do we know how to love within our family?" he asked.

The Pope noted that offering love, involves being merciful, keeping the door open, and making our communities a home for all.

"May Mary," the Pope said, before reciting the midday prayer, "help us to live the Church as that home where one loves in a familiar way, to the glory of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit."

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