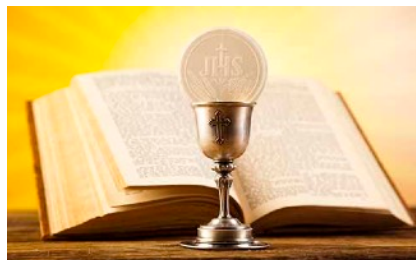


CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 34 (3614) August 24th, 2025
2^{1st} Sunday in Ordinary time - C



Today's Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13 that deal with the theme of the unexpected reversals brought by the Kingdom of God. As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. This journey, this exodus as Luke refers to it, makes up the entire middle of the Gospel. He is teaching as he goes. A question from the crowd gives Jesus the chance to make a prophetic statement. Luke uses this question device a number of times in his Gospel. A few weeks ago, the question "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" led to the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Jesus answers that they must strive in the time remaining to enter through the narrow door because many will be trying to get in but won't be strong enough. He then moves to a parable about another door. (The translation says "gate" then "door," but the same Greek word is used.) Once all those entering the master's house are in and he locks the door, there will be no way for others to get in. Those left outside may knock, but the master will say he doesn't know them. Unlike the Gospel reading from a few weeks ago where Jesus was teaching about prayer, and we were told to knock and the door would be opened, in this parable, the master will not open and say he does not know us. People from the north, south, east, and west will take our place inside. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets will take our place in the Kingdom of God. Those who do not make it through the narrow door will be cast out to where there is wailing and grinding of teeth.

The image of the door is replaced in the final verses of the parable with the image of the heavenly banquet. Two passages from the Book of Isaiah influence the conclusion. Isaiah 43:5-6 speaks of God bringing Israel's descendants back from the east and from the west, the north and the south. And Isaiah 25:6 speaks of the Lord providing a feast of rich foods and choice wines for all peoples on his holy mountain. The answer to the question if only a few will be saved is no. In the end, many will be saved, but many who thought they would be saved will not be saved. The parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom.

(loyolapress.com)

†R.R.

Go out to the whole world, and proclaim the Good News.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. special intention	(GJ)
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners	
for peace in the world	
†Albinas Radziunas	(L.D.Radziunas)
†Kostas Misiukonis	(Januska family)
†Maryte Skrinskas	(GJ)
†Ona and Juozapas Vydmantas	(granddaughter)
†Liudas Matukas	(G.Matukas)
request grace of health for Aleksas	(GK)

2025

Camp Kretinga

July 20 - August 2 (Lith.)

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A Silent Art Auction

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The week's Holy Masses; August 25 - 31

MONDAY (August 25): 7 p.m. †Michal Trojan (Irena);

TUESDAY (August 26): for living and deceased benefactors; †Irena Gimbutiene (V.Zaleckaite);

WEDNESDAY (August 27): 7 p.m. special intention (NN); †William Lolo (M.Mathew);

THURSDAY (August 28): 7 p.m. †Valentinas and Maria Indris (R.Indris); †Ona Inciura (R.Inciura);

FRIDAY (August 29): 7 p.m.;

SATURDAY (August 30): 9 a.m.; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (August 31): 9 a.m. special intention (R.D'Almeiro); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Jonas Inciura (R.Inciura); †Ewa Zientak (Irena, Margarita and family); blessings of the Lord Abigail, Karoline, Deolina and Gabriellai(GJ); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

The week's Holy Masses; September 1 - 7

MONDAY (September 1): 7 p.m.;

TUESDAY (September 2): for living and deceased benefactors;

WEDNESDAY (September 3): 7 p.m.;

THURSDAY (September 4): 7 p.m.;

FRIDAY (September 5): 7 p.m. †Jadviga Guntoriene (V.Zaleckaite);

SATURDAY (September 6): 9 a.m.; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (September 7): 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; for Barsciauskas' deceased family members (G.Ignaitis); †Regina and Antanas Leonavicius (L.Tumpa); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

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Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit!

Come, strength and sweetness of God!

Come, You, movement and peace!

Renew our courage, fill our solitude in the world,

Create in us intimacy with God!

We no longer say, like the prophet:

"Come from the four winds",

As if we did not yet know from where you came;

*We say: Come, Spirit from the pierced side
of Christ upon the cross!*

Come from the mouth of the Risen One!

The Ceremony of the Installation of Brother Raimundas Bukauskas, OFM,

**into the Position of Parish Pastor
will take place on September 14th,
during the 9 am Mass.**



Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto

**Yvan Camilleri will conduct the
installation ceremony of pastor**

**Raimundas Bukauskas, OFM. Representatives
of the Lithuanian St. Casimir Province of the
Order of Friars Minor will also be present.**

**We warmly invite ALL parishioners to take
part in this Holy Mass and to join in prayer,
asking for the Lord's blessing upon**

Fr. Raimundas as he begins his new ministry.

**After Mass, light refreshments
will be served in the hall.**



Saturday, November 29th

A Silent Art Auction

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CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 35 (3615) August 31st, 2025

22nd Sunday in Ordinary time - C



Who wants to be last? Isn't it only natural to desire respect and esteem from others? Jesus' parable of the guests invited to the marriage feast probes our motives for seeking honor and position. Self-promotion is most often achieved at the expense of others! Jesus' parable reinforces the teaching of Proverbs: *Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," rather than to be put lower in the presence of the prince* (Proverbs 25:6-7).

What is true humility and why should we make it a characteristic mark of our life and action? True humility is not feeling bad about yourself, or having a low opinion of yourself, or thinking of yourself as inferior to others. True humility frees us from preoccupation with ourselves, whereas a low self-opinion tends to focus our attention on ourselves. Humility is truth in self-understanding and truth in action. Viewing ourselves truthfully, with sober judgment, means seeing ourselves the way God sees us (Psalm 139:1-4). A humble person makes a realistic assessment of himself or herself without illusion or pretense to be something he or she is not. The humble regard themselves neither smaller nor larger than they truly are.

Humility is the queen or foundation of all the other virtues because it enables us to view and judge ourselves correctly, the way God sees us. Humility leads to true self-knowledge, honesty, realism, strength, and dedication to give ourselves to something greater than ourselves. Humility frees us to love and serve others selflessly, for their sake, rather than our own. Paul the Apostles, gives us the greatest example and model of humility in the person of Jesus Christ, who *emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, ...who humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross* (Philippians 2:7-8). The Lord Jesus gives grace to those who seek him humbly. Do you want to be a servant as Jesus served?

"Lord Jesus, you became a servant for my sake to set me free from the tyranny of sin, selfishness, and conceit. Help me to be humble as you are humble and to love freely and graciously all whom you call me to serve." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

***In your goodness, O God,
you prepared a home for the poor.***

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