

# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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## 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B



In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter

had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone. ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com)) †R.R.

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***The Lord upholds my life.***

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### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

- 9 a.m. †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas and Edita Putrimas (GJ)  
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners  
for peace in the world  
†Stasys Prakapas (family)  
†Vytautas Petrulis (sister and family)  
†Vladas and Stasys Vydmantas (niece)  
for Marteckas' and Grimalauskas' deceased family members (Senda family)  
request grace of health for parish priests (GJ)

**2024**

**October 18-19**

*Fall Rummage Sale*

**November 9**

*Annual Dinner*

**December** (date TBD)

*Advent Retreat*

**December 1**

*Christmas Concert*

**December 25**

*Christmas*

***Parish office on  
September 30th  
will be  
CLOSED***

**Cantors of the Masses:**  
9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas  
11 AM - children  
organist - Ilona Beres

### The week's Holy Masses

**MONDAY** (September 23): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (L.Pereira);

**TUESDAY** (September 24): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Jonas and Brone Maziliauskas (I.Kavanagh);

**WEDNESDAY** (September 25): 7 p.m. †Janina Zutauteiene (V.Zaleckaite); †Bronius (13th anniv.) and Vanda (5th anniv.) Saulenas (Saulenas family);

**THURSDAY** (September 26): 7 p.m. †Magdalena Sinkevicius (B.B.Degutis); †Liudas Matukas (G.Matukas); for Kuncaitis living and deceased family members (A.Kuncaitis); †Irena Paskauskas (Turczyn and Paskauskas families);

**FRIDAY** (September 27): 7 p.m. special intention (R.Gulyas); †Ramute and Leopoldas Gumuliauskas (daughter);

**SATURDAY** (September 28): 9 a.m. †Valentinas and Maria Indris (R.Indris); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Antanina Krulckis and Cesius Malinauskaitis (E.Shishkus);

**SUNDAY** (September 29): 9 a.m. †Anson Quon (V.Dovidaitis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; for deceased family members (O.Krasauskas); †Ona Rociunas (1st anniv.) (family); †Regimantas Ramanauskas (1st anniv.) (family); †Juozas Balsys (I.Balsys), for parish living and deceased choristers, singers and musicians.

**Capital Fund - \$ 372,845**

**THANK YOU...**

**"For it is in giving that we receive".**  
Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

**Sunday (09.15) & "Vilnius Manor" Collections -**

48 envelopes - \$ 2,125

No envelopes - \$ 102.35

Direct deposit - \$ 1,030

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

**"The Son of Man came not to be served  
but to serve..." (Mt 20.28)**

### Announcement for Altar Server Recruitment

**We invite and encourage all our girls and boys,** who have received their First Communion, to volunteer and join the ranks of our current excellent group of Altar Servers.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for them to serve God at Holy Mass and also to serve our Parish *Community of Faith*.

For more information, please contact Deacon Kazimieras at 416-550-6413.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration and your *engagement* in our Parish.

### LITHUANIAN FOOD

On **Sunday, September 29th** after Mass (starting at 9:45 AM), please join us in the parish hall to enjoy your favourite Lithuanian dishes and good company! No need to pre-order if you plan to dine-in.

**IF YOU WISH TO TAKE FOOD HOME YOU MUST PRE-ORDER by Friday, September 27th, 7PM.**

This helps our kitchen team to estimate quantities and ensure no one is disappointed.

**CASH ONLY at pick-up**, exact change much appreciated!

**Order here** <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/lietuviska-virtuve-prisikel-410562-4301a3>

**First Communion** registration and activities will begin on **October 20th, 10 a.m.** in the parish meeting room.

The registration questionnaire will be handed out at the time of registration.

**THANK YOU** to Rasa Balaisis for preparing the children for First Communion.

**Confirmation** registration and activities will begin on **October 27th, 10 a.m.** in the parish meeting room.

The registration questionnaire will be handed out at the time of registration.

**THANK YOU** to Paulius Sukauskas for preparing the youth for the Sacrament.



**The Lithuanian Museum-Archives of Canada** is pleased to announce the launch of a new project on the history of Lithuanians in Canada on the Digital Museums Canada website, "European Traces in the War of 1812". This initiative aims to capture and share the early history of the first Lithuanians to reach Canada. We are extremely grateful to Digital Museums Canada for their financial support to make this project possible.

The museum invites you to visit: European Traces in the War of 1812

<https://www.communitystories.ca/v2/european-traces-war-of-1812-traces-europeennes-guerre-de-1812/>

## FALL RUMMAGE SALE

**OCTOBER 18 - 19**

Our **Labdara Committee** cannot invite everyone individually but **needs everyone** to assist in making this event a success! Men, women, teens, welcome!

**Men needed** to set up tables

**Tuesday, OCTOBER 15th, 10am - 12 noon.**

### **CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS SALES:**

**we will NOT be having a 'CAFE' and will NOT be selling baked goods BUT will gladly accept cakes/cookies for our volunteers.**

We also ask that you **do not bring any USED cosmetics.**

**We ask you to bring your donations NO EARLIER than Tuesday October 15th at 12NOON!**

**Some items that DO NOT sell are:**

- old radios, computers, encyclopedias,
- old TVs (LED are ok)

We ask that you discard these items elsewhere.

**We will no longer accept large furniture, nor will we pick-up or deliver any items.**

Teens who volunteer will receive "Community Service" credit

***We ask for your cooperation and thank you in advance!***

\*For other info please contact:  
Raminta Nakrosius 416-669-0271;  
Dalia Rocca 905 820 3088.

Dear dancers and parents,

**Toronto "Gintaras"** is beginning its 2024-2025 season!

We welcome previous dancers and new dancers (starting at age 5/Senior Kindergarten) to our first practices.

Kids and Youth groups (SK-grade 10): September 26th at 6:30pm at Anapilis

Student Group (grade 11+): September 22nd at 6:00pm at Anapilis – parapijos room.

Registration will occur during the first practices.

We can't wait to see everyone!

Sincerely, "Gintaras" teachers and parent committee

The Toronto Archdiocese will hold a special collection to support the **Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund.**

*In our Church, **Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Campaign** today, September 30th. Envelopes are tagged to bulletin and can also be found in the church vestibule. Please consider supporting the Archdiocesan charities by using the envelopes or by going to the internet [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) and using the **DONATE NOW.***

*When we support **Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund**, we are making more than a financial contribution – we are demonstrating that the Catholic community is actively making a difference in the social service network in our archdiocese!* Thank you...

## **Pope's WYD message: Hope in the Lord and you will not grow weary**



Pope Francis releases his message for the 39th World Youth Day, and encourages young people to embrace life's challenges with hope and perseverance.

Pope Francis has addressed a message to young people around the world for the 39th World Youth Day. The message, entitled "*Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary*," centres on the theme of hope and endurance, drawing inspiration from the words of the prophet Isaiah.

In his message, Pope Francis encouraged young people to see life as a pilgrimage, a quest for happiness that is admittedly also tiring. It is precisely in this journey that hope must shine brightest, said the Pope.

Those who hope in the Lord do not tire

In light of some of the difficulties young people face, Pope Francis encouraged them to persevere. He emphasised that hope is not simply a passive feeling but an active force, one that allows us to "press forward, for it is a gift received from God Himself."

Pope Francis also addressed the fatigue that can come with life's struggles. He noted that this weariness is common to all who embark on meaningful journeys and that the solution to such tiredness is not found in resting but in "becoming pilgrims of hope."

In his message, the Pope invited the young people to embrace life fully, warning against the stagnation, where people "stand still with no desire to move."

He emphasised how this apathy can often lead to a paralysing sense of futility. "I prefer the tiredness of those who are moving forward, not the *ennui* of those who stand still," the Pope said.

Eucharist is the highway to Heaven

The Pope went on to compare young people's journey to the Biblical story of Israel's journey through the desert. He reassured them that even in moments of crisis and despair, God does not abandon His people. Instead, like a loving Father, He nourishes them with His presence, just as He provided manna to the Israelites in the desert.

In light of this, the Pope urged the young people to rediscover the profound gift of the sacrament of the Eucharist, by reminding them that "the Eucharist is the highway to heaven."

Not tourists but pilgrims

Looking towards the Jubilee of 2025, Pope Francis expressed his hope that the upcoming celebration would be an opportunity for young people to deepen their relationship with God and to experience His mercy and love.

He extended an invitation to all, saying: "Do not set out as mere tourists, but as true pilgrims," reminding them that the journey towards the Jubilee is not only a physical one but also a spiritual one.

Bringing his message to a close, Pope Francis encouraged the young people to be brave.

"Take courage," he said, before assuring them of his prayers and entrusting their journey to the Blessed Virgin Mary. With her example, he concluded, young people can "persevere in their journey as pilgrims of hope and love."



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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).

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