CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 41 (3621) *October 12th*, **2025** 28th Sunday in Ordinary time - C



What can adversity teach us about the blessing of thanksgiving and the healing power of love and mercy? The Gospel records an unusual encounter between two peoples who had been divided for centuries. The Jews and Samaritans had no dealings with one another even though Samaria was located in the central part of Judea. Both peoples were openly hostile whenever their paths crossed. In this Gospel narrative we see one rare exception - a Samaritan leper in company with nine Jewish lepers. Sometimes adversity forces people to drop their barriers or to forget their prejudices. When this band of Jewish and Samaritan lepers saw Jesus they made a bold request. They didn't ask for healing, but instead asked for mercy.

So what is the significance of these ten lepers asking for mercy? They know they are in need of healing, not just physical, but spiritual healing as well. They approach Jesus with contrition and faith because they believe that he can release the burden of guilt and suffering and make restoration of body and soul possible. Their request for mercy is both a plea for pardon and release from

suffering. Jesus gives mercy to all who ask with faith and contrition.

Why did only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? Gratefulness, another word which expresses gratitude of heart and a thankful disposition, is related to grace - which means the release of loveliness. Gratitude is the homage of the heart which responds with graciousness in expressing an act of thanksgiving. The Samaritan approached Jesus reverently and gave praise to God.

If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbours? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbour in their time of need and support?

"Lord Jesus, may I never fail to recognize your loving kindness and mercy towards me. Fill my heart with compassion and thanksgiving, and free me from ingratitude and discontentment. Help me to count my blessings with a grateful heart and to give thanks in all circumstances."

(dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. †Burnys Anderson

(D.Pranaitis)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

for peace in the world

in thanksgiving - for living and deceased family members and friends (GJ)

†Rimas Smalenskas (V.Puzeris)
in thanksgiving (R.J.Kuliesius)
for Verbickas' deceased family members (M.Hagedorn)

†Veronika and Aleksas Gineikis; †Vanda and Leonardas Kirkilas (M.Hagedorn)

†Algimantas Simanavicius (family) †Filomena Maciulis (7th anniv.) (family)

†Birute and Teodoras Stanulis (Prakapas family)

†Bronius Naudziunas (1st anniv.);

Naudziunas' & Vaiciulis' deceased family members (family) request grace of health for Aleksas (GK)

2025 October 24 - 25

Fall Rummage Sale

November 2
Cemetery day
November 8
Annual Dinner
November 29
MOZAIKA
A Silent Art Auction
December 5 - 7
Advent Retreat
December 14
Christmas Concert
December 25

TODAY "WORLD MISSIONS COLLECTION".

Christmas

Envelopes you will find in the church vestibule.
Please support their work.

TODAY

there will be
no coffee and
no tickets for the
parish dinner
sold.
We will be happy to
see you next Sunday
for a cup of coffee.

Parish office

Tickets for the

dinner will also be

available then.

October 13 - closed

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas 11 AM - Laima U, Grazina L, Ausra P, Danguole L, Jurate N, Gintas sr, Gintas jr. organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (October 13): 7 p.m. †Francina Mathew (M.Mathew);

TUESDAY (October 14): for living and deceased benefactors; †Birute Stanulis (1st anniv.) (family);

WEDNESDAY (October 15): 7 p.m. †Birute and Teodoras Stanulis (RU); †Donatas Juozapas Slavickas (1st anniv.) (R.Slavickas);

THURSDAY (October 16): 7 p.m. request grace of health for Elena, Terese, Valentina (friend); †Irena Biciunas (V.Zaleckaite);

FRIDAY (October 17): 7 p.m. †Roze Kuliesius (I.Kavanagh); †Juozas Morkunas (A.Morkunas);

SATURDAY (October 18): 9 a.m. †Janina Gacionis (R.Slapsys); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" request grace of health and blessings of the Lord for Violeta (IM);

SUNDAY (October 19): 9 a.m. in thanksgiving (R.D'Almeira); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); †Simonas Ramanauskas (grandmother); †Birute Stanulis (1st anniv.) (family); †Jadze Stanaitis (I.Stanaitis); †Romualdas Tumpa (wife); †Marijona and Bronius Danilevicius (D.Danaitis); †Kazimieras Martusevicius (daughter); †Albertas Banevicius (S.I.Rukas); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

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

Sunday (10.05) & "Vilnius Manor" Collections

> 47 envelopes - \$ 1,545 No envelopes - \$ 119.25 Direct deposit - \$ 3,060

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation - \$ 205

Children's envelopes: Kipras & Vilius -\$ 25

In memory of †Liudas Krisciunas, A.Ciaucionas \$ 100 and D.G.Rocca \$ 100 donated to camp "Kretinga"

THANK you for your generosity...



Lord, We thank You for allowing us

to spend this day with you: from the rising of the sun,
to its setting; we thank You for the air we breathe;
we thank You for the water that refreshes us;
we thank You for the daily bread which feeds us and the world.
We thank You for the Sanctuary of the Family which lends
meaning to our lives;

Thank you, Mother Earth for renewing us.

THANK YOU LORD FOR EVERYTHING!

Permit us to waken in the morning at the rising of the sun, to spend the day with YOU...

HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY!

A sincere THANK YOU to ALL our parishioners for attending Holy Mass or watching at home - for not forgetting our house of God; for your donations and support.

Sincere THANKS to the Holy Mass broadcasters
Kazimieras Senda and Arunas Pabedinskas;
for readers; for singers and choirs,
music director Dalia Viskontas and organist Ilona Beres;
Sincere THANKS to the Resurrection Parish Council and all committees - who take care of the parish activities and continue the work.
THANK YOU..THANK YOU..THANK YOU ALL

You are cordially invited to an event dedicated to the 150th anniversary of the birth of Mikalojus Konstantinas Čiurlionis, to be held on October 16 at the Toronto Lithuanian House.

The festive program will feature a performance by the **M.K. Čiurlionis Chamber Music Quartet** (Lithuania). An exhibition of Čiurlionis' artwork will also be on display. We look forward to seeing you there. *Lithuanian House Board*



Saturday, November 29th A Silent Art Auction

in support of the Resurrection Parish Capital Fund. To donate original paintings, sculptures and ceramics please contact: raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com

or rygelisruta@gmail.com

First Communion registration and activities will begin on October 19th, 10am in the parish meeting room. THANK YOU to Rasa Balaisis for preparing the children for First Communion.

Confirmation registration and activities will begin on October 26th, 10am in the parish meeting room. THANK YOU to Paulius Sukauskas for preparing the youth for the Sacrament.

RESURRECTION PARISH ANNUAL DINNER AND FUNDRAISING EVENING - NOVEMBER 8th

Delicious dinner with wine.

Program: dance ensemble "Gintaras". A very special raffle. Sneak preview of a private art collection that will be included in the Mozaika III art auction on November 29th.

Ticket price \$75. Tickets are available in the parish hall on Sundays after 9am and 11am Masses.

For questions call Rita Grybas 647-625-2625.

Order & pay for tickets by October 27

We invite everyone to attend!

Starting next Sunday, October 19th, the Resurrection Parish "Charity Section" INVITES everyone to join the NON-PERISHABLE FOOD drive to help those in need in our community.

You may bring **non-perishable food** at any time and place it in the box located by the parish doors.

THANK YOU.

Cormorant Books cordially invites you to the book launch of Antanas Sileika's new novel "The Seaside Café Metropolis" at Lithuanian House (1573 Bloor Street West), on Tuesday, October 28th at 7PM.

Antanas will be in conversation with former TVO producer Wodek Szemberg, on the subject of his humorous cold war novel, set in 1958 in a fictional version of Vilnius's "Neringa" Cafe.

Two Shepherds — One Mission

Lithuanian Museum Archives of Canada invites you to visit an exhibition dedicated to Bishop Paulius Baltakis and Msgr. Edmondas Putrimas, who devoted nearly four decades to serving the Lithuanian diaspora.

Through their commitment to pastoral care, cultural preservation, and work with youth, they strengthened the faith, identity, and unity of Lithuanians around the world. From the difficult years behind the Iron Curtain to addressing today's social challenges, their influence shaped generations and ensured that faith and community remained at the heart of Lithuanian identity—wherever in the world these communities settled.

Opening: November 1, 2025, 4 p.m. H.E. Archbishop Lionginas Virbalas, SJ will be attending. *Exhibition:* November 2 – 23, 2025, daily from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. (except Saturdays)

Lithuanian Museum Archives of Canada (2185 Stavebank Rd. Mississauga, ON L5C 1T3).

FALL RUMMAGE SALE OCTOBER 24 - 25

Our **Labdara Committee** cannot invite everyone individually but **needs everyone** to assist in making this event a success!

Men, women, teens, welcome!

We kindly ask you to come on Monday, October 20th at 10 AM to set up the tables, and on Tuesday, October 21st 10 AM to gather for the distribution of items.

ATTENTION:

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 21st at 10am!

Some items that DO NOT sell are:

 old radios, computers, encyclopedias, 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; Ramune Stravinskas 416-523-1095.

🎇 Out of the Cold 🦮

Out of the Cold is an interfaith program that helps those most in need: it provides shelter, food, and warm clothing, while also striving to bring compassion, dignity, and hope to those who are struggling.

This program began in 1987 and has since grown into a broad initiative of assistance and homelessness prevention. It is supported by communities of various faiths and many volunteers, inspired by its founder, the late Sister Susan Mary Moran, OLM.

Let's join in and share warmth and kindness with those who need help!

Our parish has committed to preparing two dinners this winter – on Friday, November 14 and Friday, January 16. Each evening we will serve about 100 guests at All Saints Kingsway church hall.

An information session and volunteer registration will be held on Sunday, October 19 at 10AM in our parish library.

Please consider supporting this initiative with your time, donations and prayers.

We invite all youth from ages 16 to participate in this parish activity by donating home made desserts. For more information, contact Jacintha: jacintha@primus.ca

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THANK YOU for donations.

You can donate to the parish and for parish causes through: envelopes; eTransfers (email:

resparish@prisikelimas.ca;

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.

Through banks - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

PLEASE NOTE: Writing Cheques payable to Resurrection Parish in the MEMO: Donation to Parish or Mass.

Writing Cheques payable to Franciscan Fathers in the MEMO: Capital Fund, Renovation fund, by bequest, Monastery, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga", Oncology

centre Klaipeda, Franciscan Fathers projects in Lithuania.

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