CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. **28** (3608) *July* **13th**, **2025** 15th Sunday in Ordinary time - C





As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. The lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism, and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbour are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is

simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbour whom I must love like myself? Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan.

The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbour. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbour in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbour. A neighbour is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbour in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. †Brone Greiciunas (5th anniv.) (family)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

for peace in the world

†Ona Kuliesius (R.J.Kuliesius)

special intention (I.Matus)

for Grambus' deceased family members (M.Hagedorn)

†Ona Grigaravicius (granddaughters)

†Cecilija Sendiene (R.J.Kuliesius)

request grace of health for Aleksas (GK)

2025

Camp Kretinga

July 6-19 (En.)

July 20 - August 2 (Lith.)

October 24-25

Fall Rummage Sale

November 8

Annual Dinner

November 29

MOZAIKA

A Silent Art Auction

December (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 14

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

Parish office hours

June - October

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 2 pm.

> Friday 9 a.m. - 1 pm.

July 1 - closed

August 4 - closed

September 1 - closed

Cantors of the Masses: organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses; July 14 - 20

MONDAY (July 14): 7 p.m.;

TUESDAY (July 15): for living and deceased benefactors;

WEDNESDAY (July 16): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (GJ); request grace of health for Elena, Terese and Valentina (friend);

THURSDAY (July 17): 7 p.m. †Jonas Inciura (R.Inciura); †Sheila Tanner (E.Pranckevicius); for Pranckevicius', Gumuliauskas', Skirka and Kasperavicius' living and deceased relatives (E.Pranckevicius);

FRIDAY (July 18): 7 p.m.;

SATURDAY (July 19): 9 a.m. in thanksgiving (GJ); †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (July 20): 9 a.m. †Richard Jaseliunas (3rd anniv.) (family); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Ona Dackus and Genute Simkus (GJ); †Balbina and Juozas Tamulionis (D.Nauseda); †Morta and Balys Milmantas (D.Milmantas); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

The week's Holy Masses; July 21 - 27

MONDAY (July 21): 7 p.m. †Irena Silinskas (Grazina);

TUESDAY (July 22): for living and deceased benefactors;

WEDNESDAY (July 23): 7 p.m. †Antanina Jakniunas (daughter);

THURSDAY (July 24): 7 p.m.;

FRIDAY (July 25): 7 p.m. †Henry Mathew (M.Mathew);

SATURDAY (July 26): 9 a.m. for living and deceased Annes (GJ); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (July 27): 9 a.m. †Michael Brough (D.Pranaitis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; request grace of health for Onute (VDG); †Elena Simaitis (Stanevicius family); †Irena and Vincas Ignaitis (family); †Marcelius and Stefa Meskauskas (I.Stanaitis); †Birute Koncius (daughter and family); †Liudmila Sukauskas (family); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (06.29) Collection

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Our RN nurses are - Rasa Chomyc (head), Lia Juskey, Mara Hurst, Sarah Pedersen; Groundskeepers Matthew Bonner and Tadas Kartavicius; Night Guard Richard Briand;

Cooks - Grazina Adie (head), Trina Hurst, Algimantas Nakrosius, Linas Pilipaitis, Janet Serianni, Yolanda Serianni, Julia Puodziukas - Jonaitis Vanessa Enskaitis.



We are sincerely grateful for the generous donations from the generous donors which include the parents and silent supporters of camp as well as



KLF, RCU, Parama and the Lithuanian Educational Fund.



On July 26th, Congratulations to all "Annes" on the occasion of their name's day — the feast of St. Anne. We wish them abundant health, happiness and many more beautiful summer days.... God bless!



Saturday, November 29 A Silent Art Auction

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Nr. **29** (3609) *July* **20th**, **2025** 16th Sunday in Ordinary time - C





The story of Jesus in the home of Martha and Mary complements the story of the Good Samaritan, which immediately precedes it in Luke's Gospel. Both stories are unique to Luke. The story of the Samaritan opens with the words "a certain man." Today's reading opens with the words "a certain woman." The Samaritan is an example of how a disciple should see and act. Mary is an example of how a disciple should listen. Mary, a woman, is a marginalized person in society, like the Samaritan. Both do what is not expected of them. As a woman, Mary would be expected, like Martha, to prepare hospitality for a guest. Here again Jesus breaks

with the social conventions of his time. Just as a Samaritan would not be a model for neighbourliness, so a woman would not sit with the men around the feet of a teacher.

Both stories exemplify how a disciple is to fulfill the dual command which begins chapter 10—love of God (Mary) and love of neighbour (the Samaritan). These are the two essentials of life in the kingdom. By using the examples of a Samaritan and a woman, however, Jesus is saying something more. Social codes and boundaries were strict in Jesus' time. Yet to love God with all one's heart and one's neighbour requires breaking those rules.

The Kingdom of God is a society without distinctions and boundaries between its members. It is a society that requires times for seeing and doing and also times for listening and learning at the feet of a teacher. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, to be in your presence is life and joy for me. Free me from needless concerns and preoccupations that I may give you my undivided love and attention." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

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Lord, who shall be admired to your tent?

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