CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS Nr. 45 (3415) November 7th, 2021 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B





The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honor and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected

that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions-two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross. (lovolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, all that I have is yours. Take my life, my possessions, my time and all that I have and use them as you desire for your glory." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

Praise the Lord, o my soul!

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

- 9 a.m. †Stasys Prakapas
- 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

Novena - for deceased souls

(S.Brough ir D.Pranaitis)

*†*Eugenijus Siciunas (wife) (V.White) [†]Monika Bumbulis and Mary White †Emilija and Alfertas Nideras (D.Danaitis) *†*Clara Stankus (A.Jurcevicius) [†]Antanas (20th anniv.) and Danute (10th anniv.) Damasius (daughter) [†]Ona Jankauskas and Jonas Kuliesius (R.J.Kuliesius) *†*Petras Adamonis (family) for Dragunevicius' deceased family members (I.Dragunevicius) for living and deceased friends (JMC) requesting grace of health for father Povilas (R.R.Syvokas) requesting grace of health for Maria Mathew (O.Torres)

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Parish office will be **closed** on November 12th

Tevai Pranciskonai

Cantors of the Masses:

 9 AM - Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas
11 AM - Audra Rusinas, Adriana Verbyla, Elenute Lelis, Rasa Siauciulis, Monika Satkauskas, Ele Stravinskas, Daina Sablinskas, Lina Samonis, Daina Cers organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (November 8): 7 p.m. Novena; †Peter Inciura (R.Inciura); †Daria Chodocinskas (1st anniv.) (parents and brother Astijus)

TUESDAY (November 9): 7 p.m. Novena; living and deceased benefactors; †Fr. Pijus Sarpnickas, ofm (I.Matus);

WEDNESDÁY (November 10): 7 p.m. Novena; †Stasys Prakapas (D.G.Rocca);

THURSDAY (November 11): 7 p.m. Novena; †Jonas Kasparavicius (1st anniv.) (Fr.Kazys); †Zigmas Zilinskas (I.Kavanagh); †Ramunas Underys (family); †Stasys Prakapas (B.Peleckis); requesting grace of health for Kastule Jankauskas (G.Slabosevicius);

FRIDAY (November 12): 7 p.m. †Ona Gustainis (Underys family);

SATURDAY (November 13): 9 a.m. †Virgis and Onute Pasvenskas (E.Putrimas); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" requesting grace of health for Zuzana Jonikas (E.Shishkus);

SUNDAY (November 14): 9 a.m. †Rimantas Bartusevicius (O.Stoncius); 11 a.m. Novena - for deceased souls; living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Liuda Stulginskas (B.Tamosiunas); †Romas Tumpa (L.Tumpa); †Rama Kalendra (Stanulis family); †Albina Laurinaitis (family); †Juze and Albina Plioplys, Stase and Antanas Jurgilas (T.Bartkuviene); †Philip Lo (O.Torres); †Jeronimas Zukauskas (family).

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Collections of October 31st

36 envelopes - \$ 1,000 No envelopes - \$ 57.40 Direct deposit - \$ 1,115 eTransfer - \$ 500 Share Life - \$ 135

In memory of Rev.Kazimieras Kaknevicius, the family donated \$ 1,000 to the parish and friends donated \$ 680 to the parish

THANK you for your generosity



This is the parish home for all of us – so welcome home!

Let us follow all necessary precautions to keep the community safe and healthy.

Maximum capacity remains at 90 persons per Mass, in order to comply with social distancing guidelines, including priests and music ministry members. Should this capacity be exceeded, additional seating will be made available in the church hall, with audio broadcast of the Mass. We ask for your patience and understanding in these unusual times.

Of course, all existing precautions will remain in effect to ensure the health and safety of all: *If you are experiencing symptoms, please stay home; *Upon arrival at church, please check in with the volunteers; *Disinfect your hands and wear a face covering while you are in church; *Always maintain a safe distance of 2m. from others.

Understandably, not everyone feels comfortable or safe returning to church at this time. Live streaming of Mass from our parish in Lithuanian will continue Sundays at 11, as will the streaming of English language Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral.

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The Province of Ontario's regulation related to proof of vaccination that came into force on September 22, 2021, directly impacts parish hall rentals. Renters of parish facilities for events, meetings and sports are now required to check ID and proof of vaccination certificates of all participants upon entry to the facility.

The **new regulation does not apply to places of worship**, and we will continue to follow existing COVID 19 protocols for masses, i.e., masks must be worn throughout, social distancing, sanitizing hands upon entry.

Blessings and let's unite in prayer wherever we are.

The Annual Meeting of Members (for the 2019 & 2020 fiscal years), of the Lithuanian Community Association of Toronto, will be held on Sunday, November 21, 1 p.m. Lithuanian House 1573 Bloor St. W., Toronto. Registration to commence at 12:00 p.m *COVID-19 PROTOCOL IN EFFECT* *PROOF OF VACCINATION REQUIRED*

Lithuanian food for take out will be prepared every Sunday. We ask that you order EARLY in the week.

Pre-ordering is mandatory by email to Grazina Valintiene grazinav2@hotmail.com. If you do not receive confirmation by email, please call 647-869-6164. In your email, please specify the items and quantities you wish to order, as well as the time you will be picking up your order.

PLEASE pick-up your orders outside the kitchen door in the corner of the back parking lot between 10AM and 1PM. PRE-ORDERS ONLY.

Our parish, from September 19th, CONTINUES our FOOD DRIVE in aid of the needy in Toronto and INVITES ALL to participate.

NON-PERISHABLE Food may be brought and left in the box provided, at the parish door.

Thank you in advance for your kind donations.

Pianist Ilona Damasiute - Beres concert



Musical Excursions

Sunday, **November 28th, at 4 pm** Parish of Resurrection 1 Resurrection Rd. Toronto More information <u>ilona.beres@gmail.com</u> or 416-766-9959 Admission is free; donations are sincerely appreciated.

*Please have Covid-19 vaccine proof, masks must be worn throughout, social distancing, sanitizing hands upon entry.

If you want to gain experience, try new activities, or just do good work – Come volunteer at Labdara Lithuanian Nursing Home!

You can become a volunteer if you:

• are empathetic, sincere, understanding;

• want to communicate with interesting seniors who have a lot of life experience and history;

- want to spend your free time meaningfully; and
- are fully vaccinated.

You will be able to:

- communicate individually with residents;
- plan and/or implement group activities;

• assist in various activities including connecting with family members via Zoom;

• exercise, help to transport residents in wheelchairs;

• assist residents in daily activities: going for walks, reading and writing;

• sing, play cards or games with our residents.

We invite everyone who can, to dedicate some time to volunteering at Labdara Lithuanian Nursing Home.

Remember that 1 hour per week can have a very significant impact.

We especially invite students who may be considering careers in healthcare to join us and to earn community volunteer hours.

As mandatory vaccination for all who work in long-term care homes comes into effect in November, there may be changes in staffing, and in planned activities for our residents. We need a strong group of volunteers to help minimize the impact of the changes on our residents. We anticipate that temporarily, life at Labdara will be different. With patience and respect for one another, we will come through this situation.

Please give the residents of Labdara the greatest gift – a little of your time!

If you wish to volunteer, please contact Lilijana Gavrilovic: <u>lifeenrichment@labdara.ca</u> 416-232-2112 ext. 403

Pope at Mass for departed Bishops: Learn to trust in the Lord

More than 200 prelates - 17 Cardinals and 190 Bishops - have died



in the past twelve months. On Thursday, Pope Francis celebrated Mass for the repose of their souls.

Pope Francis presided at Holy Mass offered in suffrage for the souls of prelates who have died over the course of the past year.

Seventeen Cardinals, including Australian Edward Cassidy, and almost two hundred Bishops, have passed away in the twelve months since November 2020. In his homily, the Holy Father noted that some of them died as a result of Covid-19, "in difficult situations that compounded their suffering." He prayed that they might now feel the joy of the Lord's invitation to His faithful servants: "Come, O blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

The journey from suffering to hope

Pope Francis focused in his homily on the first reading, from the book of Lamentations, where the sacred author describes a journey through suffering to trusting patience and hope in the Lord who saves.

All of us, he said, have to learn how to face suffering – not only the final suffering of death, but trials and crosses we face here and now. In fact, the Pope said, the difficulties of life can lead us to pessimism and bitterness. However, it is precisely in our darkest moments, "in the anguish of non-meaning" that hope flourishes. "In the midst of sorrow," the Pope said, "those who cling to the Lord see that He unlocks suffering, opening it and transforming it into a door through which hope enters."

The mystery of grief

Pope Francis emphasized that this does not mean that our problems will disappear, but that our suffering "becomes a mysterious opportunity for inner purification." Grief and suffering, the Pope said, "remains a mystery, but in this mystery, we can discover in a new way the paternity of God who visits us in trial."

Today, the Pope said, "before the mystery of redeemed death, we ask for the grace to look at adversity with different eyes." He invited to faithful to respond to trials and suffering, not with complaining or grumbling, but with confident trust in God.

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O: What is the name of the parish? A: Resurrection; (indicating to whom the donation is addressed) or on the parish site

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