



CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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6th SUNDAY of EASTER - C



This portion of John's Gospel comes near the end of the first of four chapters that make up Jesus' long farewell discourse at the Last Supper. This section of chapter 14 actually sums up the themes of the opening of the discourse: the Christian's life is not shaped by Jesus' absence but by God's abiding presence; God's presence overcomes anxiety about God's absence; and the present holds in it the seeds of a fresh future shaped by love, not fear.

These verses also contain a glimpse of some of the other themes of the farewell discourse: Jesus' relationship with the Father and the disciples' relationship to Jesus connect the disciples to the Father as well. Jesus promises to send an Advocate or intercessor who will remind the disciples of everything that Jesus taught them and bring them peace.

Jesus is preparing his disciples in advance for his absence so that they will continue to believe in him and not feel all alone after his return to the Father. After the initial excitement of his Easter appearances, Jesus will remain with his followers in a very different way throughout the centuries.

As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, in love you created me and you drew me to yourself. May I never lose sight of you nor forget your steadfast love and faithfulness. And may I daily dwell upon your word and give you praise in the sanctuary of my heart, You who are my All." (daily scripture.net) †R.R.

ALLELUIA

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

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| 9 a.m. | †Juzefa and Jonas Vizgirda | (B.Kuncevicius) |
| 11 a.m. | for living and deceased parishioners | |
| | for peace in Ukraine and the world | |
| | Novena - for living and deceased Mothers | |
| | †Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevičius | (family) |
| | †Katarina and Juozas Alisauskas | (D.J.Didzbalis) |
| | †Rasa Berentas | (G.Kobelskis) |
| | †Jonas, Albina and Dr.Sigitas Kazlauskas | (V.V.Baliunas) |
| | †Leokadija Nevulis | (D.Sužiedelis) |
| | †Maria "Esa" Pabedinskas - Fisher | (O.Dirmantas) |
| | †Algis Vaisnoras and Daiva Vorps | (G.Laurinaitis) |
| | †Eligijus and Ona (50th anniv.) Narusis | (R.J.Karasiejus) |

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Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM -

11 AM - Danute Pranaitis
organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (May 23): 7 p.m. Novena; †Mykolas and Marcijana Baranauskas (A.A.Vaiciunas);

TUESDAY (May 24): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (May 25): 7 p.m. Novena;

THURSDAY (May 26): 7 p.m. Novena; †Liudas Matukas and Vida Savickas (G.Matukas); †Algis Vaisnoras (sister);

FRIDAY: (May 27): 7 p.m. Novena; †Pranas Ceponis (V.Zaleckaite);

SATURDAY (May 28): Novena; †Valentinas and Marija Indris (R.Indris); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Juozas, Ona and Antanas Malinauskas (E.Shishkus);

SUNDAY (May 29): 9 a.m. †Teofilia Lebed (A.Ratavicius); 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; Novena - for living and deceased Mothers; †Ona and Vytautas Judvytis (daughter); †Elena Stanevicius (Stanevicius family); †Marija Mausevicius (family); †Veronika Balaisis (O.Dirmantas); †Rokas Dobrovolskis (5th m.), Romanaovas', Nomeika and Simokaitis' deceased family members (S.Dobrovolskis); †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (R.J.Balaisis); †Irena Biskys ("Kretinga"); †sister Mary Louise Brooks (33th anniv.)(I.Matus); †Matilda (22nd anniv.) and Augustinas Kuolas (I.Punkris); †Elena Sibas (son and family); request grace of health and asking spiritual strength for Agute (family).

Capital Fund - \$ 330,129

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections of May 15th

44 envelope - \$ 1,445

No envelopes - \$ 35.95

Direct deposit - \$ 1,125

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*Irena Zemaitis donated \$ 500 to the parish
on the occasion of her birthday*

THANK you for your generosity

Prayer of St. Bernard

**Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that any one who fled
to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy
intercession, was left unaided.**

**Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother, to thee I come,
before thee I stand sinful and sorrowful.**

**O Mother of the Word Incarnate! despise not my
petitions, but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me.
Amen.**

PEACE FOR UKRAINE!

**DONATIONS TO PROVIDE URGENT AID TO OUR
UKRAINIAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS SUFFERING
AS A RESULT OF THE WAR MAY BE MADE:
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OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF UKRAINE.**



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Lithuanian camp July 17th - 30th

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**Camp Kretinga will be following
the Ontario Health Guidelines
and no longer require Covid vaccines.**

We can't wait to see you all IN PERSON!

SPRING GENERAL CEMETERY VISIT DAY

St. John Lithuanian Cemetery -

Sunday, May 29th.

Children of Ukraine suffering separated families, education gap

Caritas Ukraine and Caritas-Spes Ukraine deplore the ongoing humanitarian crisis in the country during a press conference at Vatican Radio highlighting the efforts of the Caritas Confederation and illustrating the catastrophic situation in the country. Caritas is committed to protecting vulnerable Ukrainian children who are suffering and often targeted for human trafficking. As the war in Ukraine wages on, more than 6 million refugees have been forced to flee, many of whom are children.

This was expressed by Fr. Vyacheslav Grynevych, SAC, Secretary General of Caritas-Spes Ukraine, at a press conference held Monday in Vatican Radio's Sala Marconi providing an update on the work of the Caritas Confederation and the humanitarian situation in Ukraine.

Speaking alongside Fr. Grynevych was President of Caritas Ukraine, Tetiana Stawnychy; Secretary General of Caritas Internationalis, Aloysius John; and the International Cooperation and Humanitarian Director of Caritas Europa, Silvia Sinibaldi.

Since the beginning of the conflict, the two Ukrainian Caritas organisations - Caritas Ukraine and Caritas-Spes Ukraine - have been at the side of the Ukrainian population, providing humanitarian assistance. All Caritas organisations in neighbouring countries - including Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic Slovakia, Romania, and Moldova - are on the frontlines. They assist the millions of refugees fleeing the war, and the many millions displaced, with the support of other members of the Caritas Confederation, local partners and volunteers.

Bloody attack in Mariupol shows violence and uncertainty

Alessandro Gisotti, deputy editorial director of the Vatican's Dicastery for Communications, moderated the event and pointed out that those speaking had met privately with Pope Francis on Sunday afternoon in his residence Casa Santa Marta, and with Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, the Vatican's Secretary for Relations with States, this morning, before the Archbishop's imminent visit to Ukraine.

Alessandro Gisotti recalled that following the bombing of the Caritas center in Mariupol where seven people died, including two women staff members, Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle, President of Caritas Internationalis, "decried the bloody. The Secretary General said it would cost more than six billion Euro to reconstruct Ukraine and said we run the risk of a global economic recession. He recalled that when he visited Syria in March, he already saw how food prices, especially for bread, had already started "skyrocketing."

14 million are displaced, 1.5 million refugees are children

Tetiana Stawnychy spoke about everyday challenges and how Caritas Ukraine members experience what we hear about on the news. "Almost 14 million are displaced. That's one out of three in the country, an astonishing number," she said, pointing out how "everyone in Ukraine is affected by the war."

The President of Caritas Ukraine noted how each person is cared for "as a person," and not "as a number." This "responding with love," she said, has created an environment where Ukrainians feel safe and protected, and even encouraged to help one another.

Separated families and the education gap

Fr. Grynevych addressed the dramatic effects of the war on children, especially as his work aims to help children in nearly 25 orphanages and through other types of care.

"Most fathers are soldiers." He called for a serious reflection on "what will happen when families can go back to familial life." He warned that amid this rampant separation of the nation's families, some fathers have died and others who are still alive will never be the same after seeing the traumatic reality of war and death.

"There is also a big gap in education," he said, noting this began with the Covid-19 pandemic and has been dramatically exacerbated by the war.

"With so many fleeing, there are problems, such as 'who will be my teacher or my doctor?'" He said it is very challenging to imagine the end of the war.

"The war," he said, "won't be ended with an agreement of peace, but when we forgive the evils we saw," noting this will take a lot of work. Also reflecting on his and the other Caritas' officials 30-minute private meeting with the Pope on Sunday, the Secretary General of Caritas-Spes Ukraine, said he was moved by the Pope's deep interest in their work, experience and stories.

Preparing prior to war has helped

Silvia Sinibaldi attributed much of Caritas' current effectiveness in helping Ukrainians, to their preparedness in Ukraine even before the war exploded in late February. The protocols they already instituted, she suggested, enabled them to react pragmatically when the war broke out.

She praised local partners and volunteers for their heroic efforts in these countries, and emphasized how they enable Caritas to operate effectively, both in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries.

Vatican News English asked about whether Caritas has ever been blocked from distributing supplies, or whether there has been interference as the Pontifical Foundation works to assist people and children.

"The question of security and safety is very important to us," said Tetiana Stawnychy, noting, "It's difficult to navigate it in a country under attack, where we don't know where the next attack will be.

"[Many of you know our center in Mariupol was bombed. We haven't been able to go there to confirm any of the facts.]" For the most part, she said, Caritas' safety and security protocols have been effective, especially since "some of them were used in the past by Caritas Ukraine in the buffer zones in Eastern Ukraine."

Fr. Vyacheslav expressed concern about safety in occupied areas, referring to a center "in an occupied zone where people still wish to carry out their work, saying 'it is our mission, our city.'"

"On the one side, it is heroism, but on the other side, it is difficult to bless this because you do not know what the consequences will be."

Work of Caritas and Caritas-Spes Ukraine

Since the beginning of the war through early May, Caritas Ukraine and Caritas-Spes Ukraine have assisted more than 1.2 million people in the region through their 50 local centres spread across the country. Caritas has distributed food to nearly 1 million people in the region and has provided shelter and accommodation to more than 200,000 others.

Several Caritas local centers are working to educate young people and women with children on how to be less vulnerable to human trafficking.

Caritas has also provided medicine and hygiene kits, as well as education and protection programs.



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