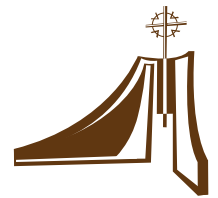


CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr.12 (3434) March 20th, 2022

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT - C



Now into the third week of the Season of Lent, our Sunday Gospel prepares us to hear Lent's call to conversion and repentance. During this journey, Jesus teaches and heals. He must also respond to those who question and challenge his authority and actions. There is no parallel in Mark's or Matthew's Gospels for today's reading from Luke. While Mark and Matthew describe an incident in which Jesus curses the fig tree, today's reading makes the barren fig tree the subject of a parable.

Luke tells us that some among the crowds report to Jesus a massacre of Galileans by Pilate. The intention of the crowd seems to be to ask Jesus to explain why these people suffered. It was commonplace to render people's suffering as evidence of their sinfulness. Jesus challenges this interpretation. Those who were massacred were no more or less sinful than the ones who report the situation to Jesus. Jesus replies that even a fatal accident, a natural disaster, ought not to be interpreted as punishment for sin.

Jesus' words at first appear to have a fire-and-brimstone quality. Jesus says in essence, "Repent or perish as these people did; all are sinful before God and deserving of God's punishment." The tone changes, however, in the parable that follows. The parable of the barren fig tree contrasts the patience and hopefulness of the gardener with the practicality of the property owner. When told to cut down the fig tree because it is not producing fruit, the gardener counsels patience. If properly tended, the barren fig tree may yet bear fruit.

Throughout his journey to Jerusalem, Jesus has been teaching about the Kingdom of God. In this parable, we find an image of God's patience and hopefulness as he prepares his Kingdom. God calls us to repent, and it is within his power to punish us for our failure to turn from our sinfulness. And yet God is merciful. He delays punishment and tends to us so that we may yet bear the fruit he desires from us.

This, then, is our reason for hope: Not only does God refuse to abandon us, he chooses to attend to us even when we show no evidence of his efforts. Next week's Gospel will give an even clearer picture of the kind of mercy that God shows to us. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

The Lord is kind and merciful.

(CBW p.52)

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

- 9 a.m. for peace in Ukraine and the world
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners
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| †Eugenijus Siciunas | (wife) |
| †Sarunas Stankevicius | (V.Zaleckaite) |
| †Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevicius | (family) |
| †Silvija Freimanas | (V.Puzeris) |
| †Rimantas Anskis | (Stanevicius family) |
| †Saulius Masionis and Augusta | (R.Masionis) |
| for Matusевичus', Petrulis', Eidukaitis' & Brazaitis' deceased family members (relatives) | |
| †Algimantas Martusevicius | (daughter) |
| †Algimantas Syvokas | (R.R.Syvokas) |
| †Vytautas Markuvenas and Janina Domarkas | (D.Calderon) |
| †Teodoras Stanulis (4th anniv.) | (family) |
| †Marija and Bronius Karasiejus | (R.J.Karasiejus) |
| †Danguole Baziliauskas | (family) |
| †Maria "Esa" Pabedinskas-Fisher (4 week) | (Pabedinskas family) |

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2022

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July 3rd - 16

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July 17th - 30th

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

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Youth

11 AM - choir "Apaštalai"

organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (March 21): 7 p.m. †Terese Grazulis (G.Buozis);

TUESDAY (March 22): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; †James Dierks (G.Gaizutis);

WEDNESDAY (March 23): 7 p.m. †Laurynas Kemesis (A.Ratavicius);

THURSDAY (March 24): 7 p.m. †Jonas, Brone and Edvard Stankaitis (A.Ulba); †Veronika Balaisis (Cuplinskas family);

FRIDAY (March 25): 7 p.m. †Liudas Matukas (G.Matukas); †Marija Karasiejus (23rd anniv.) (G.Gaizutis);

SATURDAY (March 26): for living and deceased friends (GJ); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Antanas Shishkus (E.Shishkus);

SUNDAY (March 27): 9 a.m. †Stasys Prakapas (G.Valintiene); 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Ona and Zigmantas Girdauskas (family); †Sofija and Adomas Bireta (B.V.Bireta); †Everistas Luksaitis - Lukas (friend); †Algirdas Martusevicius (daughter); †Tomas Prakapas (Prakapas family); †Brone and Jonas Greiciunas (A.R.Batten); †Martinas (7th anniv.) and Albinas (7th anniv.) Tarvydas (family); †Paul Vella (M.V.); †Konstancija Jurgutis and Algirdas Kvedaras (L.G.Jurgutis); †Aldona Urbonavicius (Daiva); †Gediminas Smolskis (R.R.Smolskis).

Capital Fund - 327,929

G.Ignaitis, A.R.Sileika - \$350

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections of March 13th

39 envelopes - \$ 1,830

No envelopes - \$ 55

Direct deposit - \$ 1,130

Support to UKRAINE - \$ 1,950

THANK you for your generosity



Every Thursday during Lent,
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at **5:30 p.m.**
will take place before the evening Holy Mass.
Please come and spend an hour with the Lord.

Reflections on the Stations of the Cross: Fridays
during Lent at **6:15 p.m.** before the evening Holy Mass.
Let us in prayer accompany Jesus on his sorrowful journey.



"Music is well said to be the speech of angels."

(Peter Hoeg)

THANK YOU to the singers who during the pandemic, raised our spirits and will continue to refresh our souls with music and song...

Youth: Aleksia Vadauskas, Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas.

Choir "Nonetas": Adriana Karka-Verbyla, Audra Rusinas, Daina Babeckas, Daina Cers, Daina Sablinskas, Elenute Stankus-Lelis, Ele Stravinskas, Monika Satkauskas, Rasa Siauciunas.

"Volunge" Women's ensemble: Aldona Remesat, Danguole Cingys, Danguole Juozapavicius, Danute Pranaitis, Ilona Tarvydas, Grazina Adie, Janet Krisciunas, Judita Gabrys, Julija Danaitis, Laima Underys, Rasa Buksaitis-Wilkinson, Ruta Rusinas, Zibute Janeliunas, Zita Nausedas.

Choir "Apaštalai": Danguole Cingys, Danute Pranaitis, Dalia Valaitis, Gintas Neimanas, Gintas Neimanas, jr., Grazina Adie, Julija Danaitis, Jurgis Valaitis, Jurate Neimanas, Laima Underys, Margarita Heinz, Romas Krasauskas, Romas Puteris, Ruta Valaitis, Taras Chornomaz, Ted Chornomaz, Vytas Valaitis, Zibutė Janeliunas.

Music director - Dalia Viskontas

Organist - Ilona Beres

SHARE LIFE Campaign on March 27th. Envelopes you will find in the church vestibule.

Please consider supporting the Archdiocesan charities by using the envelopes or by going to the internet www.archtoronto.org and using the **DONATE NOW**.

Each year, thousands of people turn to a *ShareLife* agency for help. Our agencies provide service in an environment that is infused with Catholic values, bringing the Gospel message to the marginalized.

When we support *ShareLife*, 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...

Our parish 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.

PEACE for UKRAINE!

Donations to provide urgent aid to our Ukrainian brothers and sisters suffering as a result of the war may be made:

1) via the Franciscan Fathers

by cheques: **Franciscan Fathers, Memo: Ukraine;**

2) be made Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org or by cheques:

Resurrection Parish – Ukraine Humanitarian Relief.

We invite you to help our brothers and sisters of Ukraine.

ACTION “LET’S SUPPORT UKRAINE”

For every Sunday in March (while supplies last), from 10am to 12:30pm, the Canadian Lithuanian Youth Association (CLYA) will be selling “AŠ LT” T-shirts and “Vytis” water bottles at the Parish main entrance. All proceeds collected will be donated to the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. **Glory to Ukraine!**

Spring is a time of rebirth and this is a beautiful opportunity to continue with the Lenten spirit of giving; doing good deeds for others.

Prisikėlimo Parapija invites everyone to write heartfelt Easter greetings to our friends at “Labdara” Nursing Home.

Your greetings will bring them happiness, encouragement and a feeling of close connection to our community.

You may address your home-made or store-bought greeting cards as Gerbiamoji, Gerbiamasis, Mieloji, Mielasis, Dear Friend, etc.

Completed greeting cards can be dropped off in the collection box that is placed in front of the parish doors.



We would like to receive your greetings by Sunday April 10th, as this would allow enough time for your cards to be quarantined and handed out to the residents by the staff.

If you have any questions, please contact Vida - vidag@primus.ca

We thank you for your continued support and outstanding generosity.

Lithuanian food for take out - on March 27th

Pre-ordering is mandatory by email to Grazina Valintiene grazina.valintiene@gmail.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.

PRE-ORDERS ONLY.

Pope recites special prayer for end to war in Ukraine



Pope Francis recites a special prayer imploring God to forgive us for war, especially the war in Ukraine.

As Pope Francis wrapped up the General Audience on Wednesday, he led those gathered in the Paul VI Hall and online in a special prayer for an end to the war in Ukraine. He made his own a prayer composed by the Italian Archbishop of Naples, Domenico Battaglia, making a few minor additions.

The Pope pleads with God to forgive all of humanity for the brutality of war, which he said turns our hands—created to care and tend the earth—into instruments of death.

Before reciting the prayer, Pope Francis invited Christians to “ask God for forgiveness and to grant peace” amid the pain of the war in Ukraine.

Here below is an unofficial translation of the Pope’s prayer:

Forgive us for war, O Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners!

Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us!

Lord Jesus, who died in a mother’s arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us!

Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us!

Lord Jesus, who still behold armed hands in the shadow of your Cross, have mercy on us!

Forgive us, O Lord.

Forgive us, if we are not satisfied with the nails with which we crucified Your hands, as we continue to slake our thirst with the blood of those mauled by weapons.

Forgive us, if these hands which You created to tend have been transformed into instruments of death.

Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother;

Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel.

Forgive us, if we continue to justify our cruelty with our labors, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our pain.

Forgive us for war, O Lord.

Forgive us for war, O Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You! Hold fast the hand of Cain!

Illumine our consciences;

May our will not be done;

Abandon us not to our own actions!

Stop us, O Lord, stop us!

And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him. He is our brother.

O Lord, put a halt to the violence!

Stop us, O Lord!

Amen.

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Writing Cheques payable to **Resurrection Parish** in the MEMO write the charitable purpose: **Donation to Parish or Mass.**

Writing Cheques payable to **Franciscan Fathers** in the MEMO write the charitable purpose: **Capital Fund, Renovation fund, Monastery, Sielovada, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga", Oncology centre Klaipeda, Franciscan Fathers projects in Lithuania.**

THANK YOU for donations.

You can donate to the parish and for parish causes through: **envelopes**

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