

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr.6 (3480) February 5th, 2023

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A



Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavouring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians.

Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden! (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, you guide me by the light of your saving truth. Fill my heart and mind with your light and truth and free me from the blindness of sin and deception that I may see your ways clearly and understand your will for my life. May I radiate your light and truth to others in word and deed". (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.



2023

February 5

Pancakes day

February 22

Ash Wednesday

February 26

Sports club "AUSRA"

Mass

March 5

St. Casimir Fair

March (date TBD)

Lenten Retreat

April 2-8

Holy week

April 9

Easter

April 21-22

Spring Rummage Sale

April 30

Parish 70th

anniversary lunch

May 7

First Communion

June 3

Run for Hope

June 4

Confirmation

June 25

St. Johns' day

Camp Kretinga

July 2-15 (En.)

July 16 - 29 (Lith.)

October 20-21

Fall Rummage Sale

October 14

MOZAIKA

A Silent Art Auction

November 18

70th Anniversary

Parish Dinner

December (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 10

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

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| 9 a.m. †Birute and Victor Alksnis | (V.A.Levisauskas) |
| 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in Ukraine and the world | |
| †Birute Kriauciunaite-McKenny | (O.Balsys and family) |
| †Stasys Prakapas | (family) |
| †Julius Nevulis | (D.A.Suziedelis) |
| †Adele and Pijus Jurksaitis | (D.Jurksaitis) |
| †Agota Ratavicius | (S.Stuopis) |
| †Juozas Bansevicius (2nd anniv.) | (family) |
| †sister Paule | (L.Underys) |
| requesting grace of health | (Senda family) |
| requesting grace of health for Dainora | (family) |
| for living and deceased friends | (GJ) |

Cantors of the Masses:
9 AM - Ted Chornomaz
11 AM - children
organist - Ilona Beres



Ukrainian soldiers **THANK** each of you
for your generosity and help in such
a difficult time for Ukraine.

The week's Holy Masses
February 6 - 12

MONDAY (February 6): 7 p.m. requesting
grace of health for Valentina (friend);

TUESDAY (February 7): 7 p.m. for living
and deceased parishioners; in thanksgiving
(GJ);

WEDNESDAY (February 8): 7 p.m. †Elena
Puranas (N.Benotas);

THURSDAY (February 9): 7 p.m. †Irena and
Henrikas Matusaitis (R.J.Balaisis); †Brone
Maziliauskas (9th anniv.) (I.Kavanagh);

FRIDAY (February 10): 7 p.m. †Kostas
Astravas (Prakapas family);

SATURDAY (February 11): 9 a.m.
†Trumpickas (W.L.Dauginis); 5 p.m. "Vilnius
Manor" †Povilas Anskaitis (B.Tamosiunas);

SUNDAY (February 12): 9 a.m. †Joan
Simone (S.Brough); 11 a.m. for living and
deceased parishioners; †Balbina Tamulionis
(D.Nauseda); †Christina Lanecki
(N.Slivinskas); †Fr. Antanas Prakapas, ofm
(Prakapas family); †Antanas Kavaliauskas
(3rd anniv.), Chicago (L.D.Laurinavicius);
†Stase Zavys (G.Laurinaitis); †Stase Zavys
(L.Gedvila).



**THANK YOU TO PARAMA FOR THE
\$ 10,000 DONATION TO THE PARISH.**



Silent Art Auction

Saturday, October 14, 2023

Church of the Resurrection main hall

ALL are invited to support
MOZAIKA II
by donating artwork
(eg. paintings, prints, sculptures)

We will gladly accept your donations at the Church office
Monday to Friday, 9 am to 12 pm.

For more information, please contact raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com

2023



CAMP "KRETINGA"

English camp July 2nd - 15th

Lithuanian camp July 16th - 29th

Campers registrations: campkretinga.squarespace.com

Counsellors (born 2006 or earlier) registrations:

campkretinga.squarespace.com

Counsellors need to apply by March 1st.

We can't wait to see YOU ALL!

Capital Fund - \$ 336,570

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections in "Vilnius Manor"

and January 29th

37 envelopes - \$ 1,095

No envelopes - \$ 103.50

Direct deposit - \$ 1,025

THANK you for your generosity



†Sister Paule, Putnam, Connecticut, died this week and was
buried on Saturday. Condolences to her family and
relatives, the Sisters of the Immaculate
Conception, the "Neringa" and "Dainava" camps,
all the campers, everyone who worked with her
and had a privilege of knowing her.

Rest in peace Sister Paule



**Congratulations
to Marija Gudelis,
who is today celebrating
her 105th Birthday.
Blessings of the Lord, Marija!**



Save the date: Friday, April 7th for a Lenten youth retreat at the Church of the Resurrection from 3-9 pm.

Simple home-cooked vegetarian meal; vigil by the tomb of Jesus; Stations of the Cross; discussions; art; prayer; Church yard spring clean; and more. 15\$ per person. Please register with an email to ateitininkai.virtualus@gmail.com.

Six hours of community service granted by an OCT. Adults interested in volunteering are asked to email using the same email.

Announcement of "Lithuanian House"



**Lithuanian House of Toronto
70th anniversary and
community celebration
"Let's remember the
beginning" - will take place**

**on February 11th, Saturday, 6 pm
in the Lithuanian House of Toronto
(1573 Bloor St. W., Toronto).**

We invite you to remember the creators of "Lithuanian House", the history of the community's activities going back to 1952/62. There will be music, fashion, fun together!

In the evening, the KLMA exhibition "Toronto Lithuanian House: 70 years of Lithuanian activity" will be presented.

The entertainment of the evening will be provided by guests from Lithuania, IRŪNA PUZARAITĖ AND MARIUS JAMPOLSKIS.

Ticket price (dinner with wine, concert) – \$70.

Tickets can be purchased electronically at Eventbrite/Lithuanian House or at the LN office, tel. 416-532-3311 or 647-471-4767, email diana@lithuanianhouse.ca

Organizers: Toronto Lietuvių Namai and the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in Canada

Sponsors: KLB, Toronto KLB, Parama Credit Union, RCU - Resurrection Credit Union, Canadian Lithuanian Foundation



Dear Lithuanians scattered all over the world,

This year we celebrate the joining of Minor Lithuania to Great Lithuania. But there is one more Lithuania - we could call it "the mobile" Lithuania. This "mobile" Lithuania is made up of all of you who live in various countries. In these new countries you have created new lives, raised your children and have kept your Lithuanian heritage and faith in your hearts.

All Lithuanians are important to the Church, no matter where they live. From the very beginning, Catholic priests have traveled together with their compatriots. For a long time Rev. Paulius Baltakis, OFM, looked after the entire foreign Lithuanian diaspora. Monsignor Edmond Putrimas followed in his footsteps for the last two decades. After his sudden death, I agreed to continue this work as a delegate of the Lithuanian bishops' conference.

My task is primarily to share the message and joy of the Gospel, to help Lithuanian parishes, missions and communities to nurture church and spiritual life, to promote youth pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of Lithuanians abroad. I believe that Christ not only teaches us to live righteously, but much more - He is our Savior. I congratulate all the priests working abroad who selflessly continue to serve their parishes. I am grateful to my compatriots who faithfully support Catholic communities even where Lithuanian priests come less often. Everyone's contribution is significant because we are all God's traveling people.

I want to cooperate with all Lithuanians, organizations, especially the World Lithuanian Community and Lithuanian communities of individual regions, to establish relations with dioceses in whose territory Lithuanians are settled. The ecumenical Christian community is important to me.

We live in a world full of challenges and great dangers. We will all win by supporting the spirit of unity and connection with Lithuania, which should be a mother uniting everyone equally.

I pray for God's blessing for everyone, and for the world a just peace.

*Archbishop Lionginas Virbalas, SJ
Lithuanian Bishops Conference Delegate for Lithuanian Catholics Abroad*

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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, Monastery, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga", Oncology centre Klaipeda, Franciscan Fathers projects in Lithuania.



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Save the Date

Parama's Annual General Meeting

March 7, 2023

Lithuanian House: 1573 Bloor St. W

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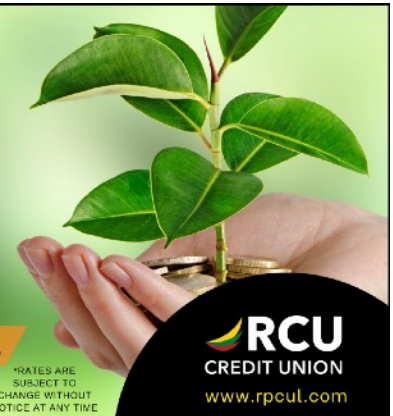
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