

# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr.45 (3467) November 6th, 2022

## 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time - C



In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. The Sadducees were a party of Judaism active in Jesus' time, descended from the priestly family of Zadok. They were literal interpreters of the written Law of Moses, which means that they were in disagreement with the position of the Pharisees, who offered an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees are described in this Gospel as opponents to the belief in resurrection. In the dialogue presented here, we see an example of the means of disputation that was common in first century Judaism. The Sadducees use the example of Levirate marriage, found in the Law of Moses, to disprove belief in the resurrection. According to Deuteronomy 25:5-10, if a man died without producing an heir, the man's brother should marry his wife and the offspring of this union would inherit the property and carry on the name of the man who had died. The Sadducees use this as an example to challenge belief in the resurrection.

Jesus argues from the same written Law of Moses to show that there is resurrection. Using the texts from the Book of Exodus (Chapter 3) that describe Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, Jesus shows that God is the God of the living, not the dead. Here Jesus uses the same method and texts of the Sadducees to counter them. As the Gospel text suggests, he beat them at their own game!

More importantly, in this discourse Jesus shows the limits of our imaginations when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of the limits of earthly existence. They did not imagine another possibility for existence and relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life are beyond our imaginations. Jesus' conclusion suggests something else as well: To spend time worrying about resurrected life is to miss the point. The point is eternal relationship with God is possible, for God is the God of the living, "... for to him all are alive." ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com)) †R.R.

*Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.*

### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

- 9 a.m. †Richard Jaseliunas (Reinecker family)  
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners  
for peace in Ukraine and the world  
Novena  
†Monika Bumbulis and Mary White (V.White)  
†Donatas Zemaitis (sister)  
†Aldona Kutka (D.Pranaitis & S.Brough)  
†Stasys Prakapas (family)  
†Jonas Kuliesius (25th anniv.) and Ona Jankauskas (R.J.Kuliesius)  
†Danute and Antanas Damasius (daughter and granddaughter)  
for souls in purgatory (A.Kuncaitis)

**2022**

**December 2 -4**

Advent Retreat

(in Lithuanian)

**December 11**

37<sup>th</sup> Annual

Christmas Concert

**On Friday,  
November  
11th,  
the Parish  
office WILL BE  
CLOSED**

**Office hours during  
the Holidays**

**December 23**

**OPEN**

**9 a.m. - 12 noon**

**December 26-27**

**CLOSED**

**December 30**

**OPEN**

**9 a.m. - 12 noon**

**January 2, 2023**

**CLOSED**

*Cantors of the Masses:*

9 AM - Zibute Janeliunas

11 AM - Aleksa, Lina & Lile Vadauskas  
organist - Ilona Beres

**HOLY MASSES November 7th - 13th**

**MONDAY** (November 7): 7 p.m. Novena; †Linus and Veronika Balaisis (Balaisis family);

**TUESDAY** (November 8): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; Novena;

**WEDNESDAY** (November 9): 10 a.m. "Labdara" †Petras Kondrotas (N.Slivinskas); 7 p.m. †Novena;

**THURSDAY** (November 10): 7 p.m. Novena; †Rimas, Arvydas and Viktoras Leskauskas (A.Morkunas);

**FRIDAY**: (November 11): 7 p.m. Novena; †Zigmas Zilinskas (I.Kavanagh);

**SATURDAY** (November 12): 9 a.m. Novena; †Vytautas Miniota (A.Sukauskas); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Ruta and Paulius Stankus (Vaskevicius family);

**SUNDAY** (November 13): 9 a.m. †Rimantas Bartusevicius (O.Stoncius); 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; Novena; for Pleinys' and Vysniauskas' deceased family members (R.Pleinys); †Ramunas Underys and Ona Gustainis (family); for living and deceased friends (JMC); †Steponas Ignatavicius (Z.Venskaitis); †Dana Vasiliauskas (H.Simanavicius); †Algirdas and Darius Pikcilingis (family); †Ramuta and Leopoldas Gumuliauskas (daughter); †Jeronimas Zukauskas (family); †Vytautas Stanislovas Miniota (1 m.) (mother).

**Capital Fund - \$ 330,329**

**THANK YOU...**

**"For it is in giving that we receive".**

*Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi*

**Collections of October 30th**

35 envelopes - \$ 842

No envelopes - \$ 63.60

Direct deposit - \$ 965

eTransfer - \$ 100

Children's envelopes: Eva, Evelina, Ruta & Levas - \$ 30

In memory of Liudas Matukas 5th anniversary,  
family donated \$ 500

Ona Krasauskas donated \$ 400

World Missions Sunday - \$ 90

**THANK you for your generosity**

*Think, O' God, of our Msgr. Edmundas Putrimas who is ill,  
whom we now commend to Your compassionate regard,  
that no healing is too hard if it be Your will.*

*We therefore pray that You bless our Monsignor  
with Your loving care, renew his strength, and heal  
what ails him in Your loving name.*

*Amen.*

**Let's pray to Jesus Christ asking for Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas' health, strength and blessings of the Lord.**

*P.S. If you have questions for the Pastor about parish matters,  
please contact 416-533-0621 or [resparish@prisikelimas.ca](mailto:resparish@prisikelimas.ca)*

**TODAY, Nov. 6th, at 4pm in the Church of the Resurrection,  
we are inviting you to celebrate the lives of parishioners  
deceased during 2020, 2021, 2022, with a commemoration**

concert (not a Mass). "Volunge", our choir, will be singing

A.Stankevicius' "REQUIEM".



Light refreshments in the parish hall will follow.

**Next Sunday, on November 13th**

**- The Shepherd's Trust campaign.**

Diocesan priests and our own Franciscan Fathers have faithfully served parish communities like the Resurrection Parish for many years. **The Shepherd's Trust** recognizes their faithfulness, their many years of service, and the strong ties we have to them by ensuring that funds collected in parishes served by these priests, be given to them as a contribution towards their retirement.



Your contributions to this cause are gratefully appreciated. Envelopes are attached to today's bulletin.

**Help for Ukraine**

"When hearing reports of the war in Ukraine, and the millions of Ukrainians that have been forced to flee their homeland, many have asked what they can do to help. Over 80,000 Ukrainians have already arrived to Canada through a special visa program created by Immigration Canada. An additional 500,000 are expected to arrive in the coming months. Many are arriving to Toronto and are without family here in Canada to help them. Among those will be some who are vulnerable to human trafficking, particularly seniors, single women, and women with children. There is an immediate need to host some arrived families for between one and 6 months. If you would like to learn more about hosting a Ukrainian family, please refer to the website link below where you can learn more about the hosting program: [Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis \(archtoronto.org\)](http://Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis (archtoronto.org))"

## ATTENTION

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR DONATIONS  
DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME.  
EVERY DONATION HELPS WITH MAINTENANCE  
OF THE CHURCH AND THE PARISH...**

**A request regarding donor's envelopes** – Please ensure that **all** the **information** requested on the donor's envelope is **completed**: your first and last name, current address, envelope number (if you are not using a personalized envelope, but a generic one).

We also urge parishioners to promptly **notify** the church office of a **change of address** in order to ensure the timely delivery of tax receipts at year-end.

**PLEASE DON'T wait until the last week  
of December to transfer, bring or send  
donations to the Parish.**

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

**envelopes**

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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](http://www.prisikelimas.ca/give).

Also, you can donate through **banks** -  
RCU and Parama by direct deposit.



After an extended break, the Lithuanian Museum-Archives of Canada is re-opening its doors to visitors. We invite you to visit our fall exhibition celebrating the **60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lithuanian Canadian Foundation and the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lithuanian Canadian Community**. Both organizations have one goal – to promote and support Lithuanian heritage activities in Canada. Because of the efforts of the founders, active members, donors and supporters, the work of both organizations in achieving this goal continues today and into the future.

The exhibition is on from October 30th – November 20th, daily from 11 am – 4 pm (except Saturdays). Info: [klma@klb.org](mailto:klma@klb.org)

Our **parish “Labdara” committee CONTINUES The 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.

## Pope at Angelus:

### ‘Like saints, be builders of peace’



On the Solemnity of All Saints, Pope Francis says the lives of the saints can inspire us to live radically as peacemakers, boldly building the way to peace through works of mercy, love, and justice.

Speaking to the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square for the Angelus on the Solemnity of All Saints, Pope Francis reflected on today's Gospel, the Beatitudes of Jesus (*Mt 5:1-12*), saying they serve as a form of "identity card" for the saints.

Rather than having the stereotypical view that all saints lived “perfect” and “precise” lives, the Pope said the Beatitudes rather show another side of the equation: the saints lived radically “countercultural” and “revolutionary” lives.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers’

Taking the example of the beatitude “Blessed are the peacemakers” (v. 9), the Pope said the type of peace Jesus brings is often very different from what we imagine or would like peace to be defined as.

Often, the Pope noted, the definition of “peace” for us means tranquillity, to be left alone without any disruption or problems. Rather, Jesus calls on us to act as peacemakers, building peace through works of justice and mercy.

*“The Bible speaks of a ‘sowing of peace’ because it germinates from the soil of life, from the seed of our heart; it grows in silence, day after day, through works of justice and mercy, as the luminous witnesses we are celebrating today show us.”*

Jesus' life, and those of the saints, Pope Francis continued, shows us that the “seed of peace must first die” in order to grow and bear fruit.

*“Peace is not achieved by conquering or defeating someone, it is never violent, it is never armed.”*

Disarming the heart

What must one do to become a peacemaker? Pope Francis notes that although we all have the ability to say sharp words or have aggressive thoughts, the first step to becoming a peacemaker is rather to disarm the heart by opening ourselves to Jesus, standing before His Cross, and receiving from Him in Confession “forgiveness and peace.”

*“This is where we begin, because being peacemakers, being saints, is not our ability, it is His gift, it is grace.”*

An eternal reward for those who build peace

Pope Francis continued by asking if in our everyday lives, we desire to bring peace or if we seek to bring pain, gossip, and controversy through our daily actions.

The Pope noted that building peace is about caring for those at the margins, fighting injustice, and forgiving others.

Those who build the path towards peace will be, as Jesus says, ultimately rewarded in heaven and called “children of God.”

Although they may seem “out of place” in today's world, the Pope noted, peacemakers in Heaven will be closest to God.

*“Those who love everyone and hurt no one win: as the Psalm says, ‘there is a future for a man of peace.’”*

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**Through banks** - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

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

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