

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 46 (3520) November 12th, 2023

32nd Sunday in Ordinary time - A



In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week's Gospel, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him? (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, make me vigilant and attentive to your voice that I may heed your call at all times. May I find joy in your presence and delight in doing your will." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, my God.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m.	†Joana Zenkevicius	(S.Brough)
11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners for peace in the world Novena	
	†Ramunas Underys and Ona Gustainis (5 th anniv) for Pleinys' and Vysniauskas' deceased family members	(L.Underys) (family)
	†Juozas Oleka (32nd anniv)	(O.Oleka)
	†Aldona and Jonas Petrauskas	(family)
	†Vincas Kolycius	(V.White)
	†Danute Masalaitis-Saltmiras	(daughters)
	†Antanas Sivokas for Senda deceased family members	(R.R.Syvokas) (Senda family)
	†Jonas Kuliesius and Ona Jankauskas	(R.J.Kuliesius)

2023

November 18

70th Anniversary

Parish Dinner

November 19

Parish Family Day

11 am Thanksgiving

Mass

December 8 - 10

Advent Retreat

(in Lithuanian)

December 10 4pm

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

**Office hours during
the Holidays**

December 22

OPEN

9 a.m. - 12 noon

December 25-26

CLOSED

December 29

OPEN

9 a.m. - 12 noon

January 1, 2024

CLOSED

Cantors of the Masses:
9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas
11 AM - Aleksia, Lina and Lile Vadauskas
organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (November 13): 7 p.m. †Valentina Grybas (V.White);

TUESDAY (November 14): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (November 15): 7 p.m. Novena; †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (1st anniv.) (Groen in't Woud); †Jeronimas Zukauskas (family);

THURSDAY (November 16): 7 p.m. Novena; request grace of health for Elena, Terese and Valentina (friend); †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (R.Urnieziene); †Edita Putrimas (R.Urnieziene); request grace of health for M.V.N. (Neverauskas);

FRIDAY (November 17): 7 p.m. Novena; †Irena Punkris (V.White);

SATURDAY (November 18): 9 a.m. Novena;

SUNDAY (November 19): 9 a.m. †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (GJ); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena; †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (5th anniv.) (family); †Birute and Jonas (20th anniv.) Danaitis (family); †Donatas Karosas (family); †Julius Nevulis (O.Dirmantas); †Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis (G.Laurinaitis); †Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis (V.White); †Laima Gudinskas (R.R.Syvokas); †Leopoldas and Ramute Gumuliauskas (E.Pranckevicius); for Canadian Lithuanian Fund living and deceased members (KLF board).

Capital Fund - \$ 347,060

Algis Simanavicius' friends, for his 70th anniversary donated \$1,715

NN \$ 500

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THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (11.05) and "Vilnius Manor" Collections -

41 envelopes - \$ 2,285

No envelopes - \$ 30.35

Direct deposit - \$ 3,095

THANK you for your generosity...

We look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, November 19th. Our parish family will celebrate the parish's 70th anniversary "From your Hand..."

11AM: Mass of Thanksgiving

12:15: Celebration in the Hall

- Lithuanian music provided by Dana Biskys and co
- Musical performance by parish children and youth
- A special 70th anniversary video presentation created by Andy Kaknevičius
- Photo exhibit of parish history
- Red carpet photo opp for families
- Kids activity
- Birthday cake!

The fundraising committee "Capital Fund" also invites you to stop by the donation table.



Next Sunday, on November 19th

- 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 you will find in the church vestibule.

"DŽIUGI DANGAUS GIESMĖ"

38th Annual Christmas Concert

**Sunday, December 10th,
at 4:00 p.m. in the Church**



**All our choirs are participating.
We look forward to seeing you all!**

"KIŠKIŲ KLUBAS" - Sunday, November 26th at 12 noon, after Mass, children together with their parents are invited to the small hall to enjoy making Christmas crafts, hosted by "Kiškių klubas".

All welcome...

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

**Information for donating envelopes -
BIG CHANGES -**

the envelopes will no longer have a number -
therefore, please ensure that **all** the
information requested on the donor's
envelope is **completed**: your first and last
name and full current address.

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

eTransfers (email:

resparish@prisikelimas.ca ;

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.

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

PLEASE NOTE: When writing cheques payable
to **Resurrection Parish**, in the **MEMO** write the
charitable purpose: Donation to Parish or
Mass.

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Fathers**, in the **MEMO** write the charitable
purpose: Capital Fund, Renovation fund,
Monastery, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga",
Oncology centre Klaipeda.

**Pope at Audience:
Servant of God Madeleine Delbr el
transmitted joy of faith**



During his Wednesday General
Audience, Pope Francis praises
Servant of God Madeleine Delbr el's
life as epitomizing apostolic zeal, and calls on the
faithful to imitate the way she shared the joy of faith
with others.

Servant of God Madeleine Delbr el offers an
example of how to embrace our baptismal call to
share the joy of the Gospel.

Pope Francis offered this reflection during his
General Audience on Wednesday morning in St.
Peter's Square, as he continued his catechesis
series on people who have embodied apostolic zeal.

Set out in search for God

The Holy Father urged the faithful to learn from the
20th century French social worker, writer and mystic,
who, for over three decades, lived, prayed and
worked among the poor in the peripheries of Paris.

After a period of agnosticism in her youth, the Pope
recalled, Madeleine encountered Christ through the
witness of her friends, and, following her conversion,
chose to live a life completely devoted to God, in the
heart of the Church and the world.

"She set out in search of God," the Holy Father
said, "giving voice to a deep thirst she felt within her."
In doing so, he observed, she came to understand
"that the 'emptiness that cried out in her anguish' was
God seeking her."

Following Christ, even when laziness sets in

"The joy of faith," he continued, "led her to mature
a choice of life entirely given to God, in the heart of
the Church and in the heart of the world, simply
sharing in fraternity the life of the 'people of the
streets.'"

The Holy Father recalled how she "poetically"
addressed Jesus, when writing, "To be with You on
Your way, we must go, even when our laziness begs
us to stay."

Madeleine, he noted, was deeply moved by the
plight of the poor and the anguish of those struggling
to find meaning in life.

Faith: an extraordinary treasure

Madeleine Delbr el's example of apostolic zeal, the
Holy Father said, reminds us of our own baptismal
mission to share the joy of the Gospel with others.

In the process, he added, it inspires us to grow in
fidelity to the twin commandments of love of God and
love of all our brothers and sisters.

(Vatican News)

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