

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 10 (3484) March 5th, 2023

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT - A



For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, keep me always alert to you, to your word, your action, and your constant presence in my life. Let me see your glory." (daily scripture.net) †R.R.

*May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.*

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. †Edie Houle	("Kretinga")
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in Ukraine and the world	
†Ona and Stasys Dackus	(granddaughter)
†Stasys Prakashas	(family)
†Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis	(R.J.Balaisis)
†Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas	(Urnieszus family)
†Vytautas Miniota	(A.Vaskevicius)
†Algimantas Martusevicius	(daughter)
†Tomas Pranaitis	(D.Pranaitis)



2023

March 18-19

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

May 28

Cemetery day

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

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Audra Rusinas & Gintas Pabedinskas

11 AM - Monika Satkauskas

organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

March 6 - 12

MONDAY (March 6): 7 p.m. †Annette Colosimo (D.Danaitis);

TUESDAY (March 7): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Teodoras Stanulis (I.Kavanagh);

WEDNESDAY (March 8): 7 p.m.;

THURSDAY (March 9): 7 p.m. †Cicilija Kairaitis (Astravas family);

FRIDAY (March 10): 7 p.m. †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (Prakapas family);

SATURDAY (March 11): 9 a.m. in thanksgiving (V.Kalinauskas); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (March 12): 9 a.m. †Anele, Juozas and Susan Urkis (Urkis family); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Ona and Juozapas Vydmantas (granddaughter); †Jeronimas Pleinys (family); †Albina Laurinaitis (2nd anniv.) (family); †Bronius Matusevicius (37th anniv.) (family); †Antanas Bumbulis (family); †Birute Tamoliunas (Z.Rudvalis); †Romas Kalinauskas (V.Kalinauskas).

Capital Fund - \$ 338,790

R.Bekeris, V.Puzeris - \$ 1,500

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections in "Vilnius Manor "

and February 26th

42 envelopes - \$ 1,540

No envelopes - \$ 85.70

Direct deposit - \$ 1,260

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.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL CASIMIR'S.
WE WISH YOU HEALTH,
FAITH AND BLESSINGS OF THE LORD**

Prayer

St. Casimir, in your great devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Heaven, you showed a special care for our homeland. May the merits of our Saviour and the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary obtain for us the grace from the Lord. May faith and mutual love kindle our hearts, may our young people understand the beauty of a chaste and virtuous life. We pray that the Lord's fatherly providence lead our nation on the path of righteousness, to peace and well-being. Amen.



**Our Parish Lenten Retreat,
on March 18 - 19,
will be conducted by the Provincial
General of the Order of St Francis Little
Brothers of Lithuania, St Casimir Province,
Br.Fr. Evaldas Darulis, OFM.**



A "Thank you" lunch!

February 16th marked 11 years since Fr. Aurelijus came to our parish.

Please join us on Sunday, March 19th after 11AM Mass in the main hall, to celebrate and express the parish's gratitude for Fr. Aurelijus' dedicated service.

Visiting friars will be in attendance and there will be light refreshments.



TODAY all are invited to visit **St. Casimir's Fair**, organized by the Lithuanian Scouts.

Savour the treats, admire the handiwork, play the lottery.

Have a good time and support our scouts!



**NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH,
CLOCKS GO 1 HOUR FORWARD**



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

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.



Spring is a time of rebirth and a beautiful

opportunity to continue with the Lenten spirit of giving; doing good deeds for others. We invite everyone to write heartfelt Easter greeting cards for the seniors living at “Labdara” nursing home. Your greetings will bring them hope, love, happiness, and a feeling of close connection to our community.

We welcome everyone to the parish cafe March 19, 26, and April 2. After 9am & 11am Mass, you will have an opportunity to make some greeting cards. All materials will be provided.

For those wishing to make their greeting cards at home, we ask that they be dropped off in the collection box that is placed in front of the parish doors, by April 2. This will allow enough time for your cards to be handed out to the seniors by the staff. If you have any questions, please contact Vida Dirmantaite-Groen in’t Woud vidag@primus.ca

We thank you for your continued generosity.

**Pope’s March prayer
intention:
For victims of abuse**



In his prayer intention for March 2023, Pope Francis prays for victims of abuse, and says the Church must serve as a model of safeguarding and must offer safe spaces for victims.

“In response to cases of abuse, especially those committed by members of the Church, it is not enough to ask for forgiveness,” says Pope Francis in his video-message announcing his prayer intention for March 2023.

The Pope this month is praying in a special way for victims of abuse.

In his message, he insists that victims must be the protagonists of a response to abuse, saying that “their pain and psychological wounds can begin to heal if they find answers – if there are concrete actions to repair the horrors they have suffered and to prevent them from happening again.”

Pope Francis insists, too, that the Church cannot hide abuse, no matter where it occurs, but instead must serve as a model in its response to abuse – including by shining a light on the issue of abuse in society and in families.

As part of that response, the Church must also “offer safe spaces for victims to be heard, supported psychologically, and protected.”

Let us pray for those who have suffered because of the wrongs done to them from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

(Vatican news)

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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.

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

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