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In each of the three Synoptic Gospels, after his baptism, Jesus is reported to have spent forty days in the desert, fasting and praying. In Luke and in Matthew, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger, he offers Jesus all the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship him, and he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test. In each case, Jesus resists, citing words from Scripture to rebuke the devil's temptation.

Each temptation that Jesus faces offers insight into the spirituality we hope to develop as we keep the forty days of the Season of Lent. We can trust God to provide for our material needs. We worship God because God

alone has dominion over us and our world. We can trust God to be faithful to his promises. Jesus' rejection of the devil's temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the Word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil by his confidence in God's protection and faithfulness.

This Gospel highlights for us one of the central themes of the Season of Lent. We are dependent upon God for all that we have and all that we are. Anything that leads us to reject this dependency or to distrust its sufficiency is a temptation from the devil

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Luke ends his report of Jesus' temptation in the desert by noting that the devil departs for a time. The implication is that the devil will return. Jesus knows that he will be tempted again in the Garden of Gethsemane. The depth of Jesus' trust in God is shown most fully when Jesus rejects the temptation to turn away from the task God has given to him. Jesus' final rebuke of the devil is his sacrifice on the Cross.

Jesus' responses to the temptations of the devil teach us how we can respond to temptation. As we start our journey through Lent, this Sunday's Gospel calls us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice, God's promise of protection can be trusted, and God alone is God. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, your word is life and joy for me. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may have the strength and courage to embrace your will in all things and to renounce whatever is contrary to it." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble, be with me, Lord, I pray.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. for peace in Ukraine and the world 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

†Eugenijus Siciunas (wife)

†Ona and Stasys Dackus
†Henrikas Sukauskas
†Dr.Edvardas Puodziukas
†Juozas Kasparavicius
†Janina and Juozas Sarunas
†Malvina Markulis (60th anniv.)
(granddaughter)
(A.Jurcevicius)
(L.Underys)
(Fr.Kazys)
(Fr.Kazys)

†Algimantas Martusevicius and request grace of health for mother (daughter)

†Anele and Vytautas Kandrotas (L.Dirmeikis) †Zenonas Juozapaitis (daughter Rasa)

†Tomas and Rymantas Pranaitis (D.Pranaitis)

†Maryte Skrinskas (GJ)

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NEXT SUNDAY,
MARCH 13TH,
CLOCKS GO
1 HOUR FORWARD



Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Aleksia Vadauskas, Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas

11 AM - Danguole Juozapavicius, Grazina Adie, Danute Pranaitis, Zita Nausedas, Ruta Rusinas, Ilona Tarvydas, Judita Gabrys, Julija Danaitis, Danguole Cingiene, Laima Underys, Rasa Wilkinson, Zibute Janeliunas, Aldona Remesat, Janet Krisciunas, organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES
MONDAY (March 7): 7 p.m. Teodoras Stanulis (I.Kavanagh); †Ksaveras Ratavicius (A.Ratavicius);
TUESDAY (March 8): 7 p.m. living and

deceased benefactors; †Daiva Vorps

(Ruta G.);

WEDNESDAY (March 9): 10 a.m. "Labdara"; †Chuck and Helen Rechos (A.Ulba); 7 p.m. †Birute and Vladas

Dzemionas (B.B.Degutis);

THURSDAY (March 10): 7 p.m. †Henrikas and Gailute Valiulis (A.Ulba); †Irena Petkus (A.E.Bubulis); †Laima Ratavicius (A.Ratavicius); †Jonas Jaunutis Kuncaitis (12th anniv.) (A.Kuncaitis); FRIDAY: (March 11): 7 p.m. †Grazina Stonkus (G.Matukas); †Teresa and Leo

Pereira (son)

SATURDAY (March 12): †Kazys Gaputis (10th anniv.) (family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Fr. Viktoras Skilandziunas (Violeta

and Juozas V.);

SUNDAY (March 13): 9 a.m. for peace in Ukraine and the world; 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Ona and Juozapa Vydmantas (granddaughter); †Albina Laurinaitis (1st anniv.) (family); †Jeronimas Pleiny (R.Pleinys); †Emma and Juozas Janusaitis (B.V.Bireta); †Irena Petkus ("Kretinga"); †Bronius Matusevicius (36th anniv.) (family); †Antanas Bumbulis (family); †Algimantas Martusevicius (daughter); †Elena Blavescius (A.J.Palis and V.V.Prasauskas).

> Capital Fund - \$ 327,579 THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive". Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections of February 20th

42 envelopes - \$ 1,770 No envelopes - \$ 35 Direct deposit - \$ 1,35 Support to UKRAINE - \$ 2,500

THANK you for your generosity



HAPPY MARCH 11th -INDEPENDENCE RESTORATION DAY!

Dear Parishioners, although the instructions already issued by the Ontario government and the Archdiocese announce a number of COVID 19 releases, PLEASE: *wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) while you are in the church building; *sanitize your hands upon entering; *stay at home if you are experiencing cold symptoms.

We also ask that you not congregate in the narthex after Mass.

Live streaming of Mass from our parish is continuing Sundays in English at 9 AM and in Lithuanian at 11 AM.

Blessings and let's unite in prayer wherever we are.



What is Lent? What to do during Lent?

Lent is the six week period leading up to Easter. It's one of the most important times of year for many Christians around the world, particularly those within the Anglican, Catholic and Orthodox traditions, held at a similar level of importance to Advent – the build up to Christmas.

While Advent is a celebration and a time of great anticipation, Lent is more frequently seen as a time of solemn observance and preparation for the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. From its start on Ash Wednesday until its conclusion on Easter Sunday, Lent has been a traditional time for fasting or giving something up or abstinence. Just as we carefully prepare for events in our personal lives, as a wedding, or birthday; a commencement Lent invites us to make our minds and hearts ready for remembering Jesus' life, death and body resurrection.

What do Christians do during Lent?

These days, Christians around the world observe Lent in many ways. Many from more orthodox and traditional denominations will still observe the fast strictly, beginning with the wearing of ashes on Ash Wednesday and

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Others will choose to give up just one item for Lent, more commonly a 'luxury' such as chocolate, meat or alcohol. It is also becoming increasingly common for people to give up other things in order to refocus their faith during this time; such as watching TV, going to the gym, even social media. Many Christians also use Lent to study their Bibles and pray more intensively, making use of the many devotional books and courses now available to. And, of course, more and more Christians are turning to the 40acts challenge as a way of doing Lent differently; using simple daily reflections and acts of generosity as a way of putting others first during preparations for Easter preparations for Easter.

Sundays during Lent are very important to Christians around the world. Where the Monday to Saturday of each of the six weeks are concerned with fasting and abstinence, the Sunday is a celebration symbolic of Christ's resurrection. Instead of fasting, Christians hold feasts in remembrance of Christ's sacrifice. The fourth and sixth Sundays are particularly important in the UK – the fourth because it is Mothering Sunday (Mother's Day) and the

sixth because it's Palm Sunday.

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.

Lithuanian food for take out - on March 13th

Pre-ordering is mandatory by email to Grazina Valintiene grazinavalintiene@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.

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 Relief – Humanitarian Relief.

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

ARE YOU READY?

Camp Kretinga is back and ready to welcome campers for 2022!!!

We are excited to share that we are opening registration for overnight camp (English and Lithuanian speaking) for the summer 2022 season! See our Covid-19 mandatory vaccination policy for ages 5 + on our website.

English camp July 3-July 16 Lithuanian camp July 17-July 30

Registrations are online this year!

Those born in 2006 and after can register to be campers using the link below: https://campkretinga.squarespace.com/

If you want to apply to be a counsellor, and are born in 2005 or earlier, please complete the application form on our website

https://campkretinga.squarespace.com/

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

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 guarantined 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.

On the first Sunday of March we pray for all established and active Lithuanian communities, wherever they may be - in the farthest corners of the planet or those in our homeland.

Pope: Those who wage war forget humanity



Again and again, Pope

Francis has called for peace, stressing that "war is madness." His reiterated appeals continue to echo as the war rages on in Ukraine

Pope Francis has repeatedly launched appeals against the disheartening situation of war and violence amid the deepening crisis in Ukraine.

"War is madness", he says. "Put down your weapons!"

Stressing that "those who wage war forget humanity" he laments how sad it is when people think about waging war against each other.

Let us continue to pray for peace, imploring Our Lady, Queen of Peace, to preserve the world from the madness of war. (Vatican news)

IN MEMORIAM VERONIKA BALAISIS, 90

Visitation

Church of the Resurrection March 7th, 10 am Funeral Mass 11 am

Veronika is survived by her sons Juozas (Rasa) and Linas, daughters Maryte (Robertas) and Aurelija, grandchildren Antanas, Kristina and Lilija.

Sincere condolences to the family and please remember her in your prayers.

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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.

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O: What is the name of the parish? A: Resurrection; (indicating to whom the donation is addressed) or on the parish site

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