CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS Nr. 3 (3425) January 16th, 2022

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

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To situate today's reading within the context of John's Gospel, we note that John's report of this event follows Jesus' call of his first disciples. John tells us that Jesus and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to

Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine.

This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us. (loyolapress.com)

"Heavenly Father, you have revealed your glory in our Lord Jesus Christ. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may bring you glory in all that I do and say." (<u>dailyscriptures.net</u>) †R.R.

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

9 a.m.	requesting the grace of health for parish priests	(NN)
11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners	
	†Eugenijus Siciunas	(wife)
	†Albina Laurinaitis	(family)
	†Levute Pevcevicius	(A.Jurcevicius)
	†Antanas Sivokas	(R.R.Syvokas)
	for deceased friends	(T.Siciunas)
	†Sheila Stephen and Douglas Stacey	(D.Danaitis)
	†Aleksas (11th anniv.) and Danute (16th anniv.) Kersis	(daughter Linda)
	†Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis	(family)
	†Rima Zavyte-Cox (10th anniv.)	(G.Gaizutis)
	†Janina Danute Ziauberis	(granddadughter)
	†Juozas and Sofija Beliunas	(D.Steponaitis)
	†Daiva Vorps	(family)

Sunday Masses online https:// www.youtube.com/ channel/ UC63RnbJxiayoKXdUf $\underline{nA}\underline{c}\underline{-g/}$. Website: www.prisikelimas.ca **Facebook Group:** https:// www.facebook.com/ groups/ prisikelimo.parapija Mass recordings, broadcasts https:// www.youtube.com/ channel/ UC63RnbJxiayoKXdUf nA_c-g? Search: Prisikelimo Parapija, Tevai Pranciskonai

Mass Cantors: 9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas 11 AM - Danute Pranaitis organist - Ilona Beres

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (January 17): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (GJ); **TUESDAY** (January 18): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors;

WEDNESDAY (January 19): 7 p.m. †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family);

THURSDAY (January 20): 7 p.m. †Zita and Alfonsas Vainauskas (I.Radziunas and family);

FRIDAY: (January 21): 7 p.m. †Zenonas Kucinskas (D.Kucinskas);

SATURDAY (January 22): †Algis Vaisnoras (D.A.Nauseda); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" - for living, sick and deceased "Vilnius Manor" residents (IM);

SUNDAY (January 23): 9 a.m. †Pranas and Juzefa Dovidaitis (daughters); 11 a.m. living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevicius (family); †Aloyzas Kuolas (20th anniv.) (A.Kuolas); for deceased friends (JMC); †Dr.Edvardas Puodziukas (D.A.Nauseda); †Marija and Bronius Karasiejus (R.J.Karasiejus); †Romas Dobrovolskis (4 w.) (grandmother); for Nomeika deceased family members (Z.Romanoviene).

IN MEMORIAM

DAIVA VORPS, 71

Daiva is survived by her husband Bob, daughter Laura (Jeremy Dean), son Rob (Amanda), grandchildren Ringo, Maile and Aislynn, brother Gintautas Miceika (Sharon), nephew Christopher and niece Erin, and relatives in Canada, United States and Lithuania.

Given the current Covid 19 pandemic, the Funeral Mass will be held at a later date

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

Capital Fund - \$ 327,579

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

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"For it is in giving that we receive". Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi Collections of January 9th

> 32 envelopes - \$ 1,230 No envelopes - \$ 25.80 Direct deposit - \$ 1,580

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Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, strength and sweetness of God! Come, You, movement and peace! Renew our courage, Fill our solitude in the world, Create in us intimacy with God! We no longer say, like the prophet: "Come from the four winds", As if we did not yet know from where you came; We say: Come, Spirit from the pierced side of Christ upon the cross! Come from the mouth of the Risen One!



This is the parish home for all of us – so welcome home! *Dear Parishioners*,

On January 5, 2022, the Province of Ontario announced new restrictions to combat the quickly spreading Omicron variant of COVID 19. These temporary restrictions, currently in force until at least January 26, impact certain activities at our parish.

- Capacity for Mass participants in our church is capped at 90 people.
- Except for those of a very critical nature, meetings of parish organizations must take place virtually.
- We are temporarily pausing Sacramental Preparation classes.
- All sporting activity is on hold until further notice.

We are ever grateful for your continued patience and perseverance in maintaining the health and safety protocols that remain in place to protect the community and invite you to join in prayer for an end to the pandemic.

Given the high transmissibility of the omicron variant, it is now more important than ever to follow public health directives. Please:

*wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) while you are in the church building;

*sanitize your hands upon entering;

*register with the volunteers so that in the unfortunate event of a COVID case we will be able to contact you promptly;

*practice physical distancing while waiting to register, taking seats, and in line for communion; *follow guidance from the ushers for seating; sit only in marked seats;

*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.

Lithuanian food for take out - on January 23th 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.

PLEASE pick-up your orders outside the kitchen door in the corner of the back parking lot between 10AM and 1PM. **PRE-ORDERS ONLY.**

Consular mission to Toronto

In order to improve the quality and accessibility of consular services to the citizens of the Republic of Lithuania, the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania to Canada is announcing the Consular mission to **Toronto on February 7, 8, & 9** (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday), **2022, at the Resurrection meeting room located at 1 Resurrection Road, Toronto, ON M9A 5G1.**

During the mission, citizens of Lithuania will be able to submit their applications for renewal and issuance of passports and identity (ATK) cards, registration of civil status registered abroad (marriage, divorce, birth) in Lithuania as per the Acts and Regulations of the Republic of Lithuania, declarations regarding their departure from Lithuania, and the issuance of certificates confirming that a person is alive and present in a certain location (for SODRA) and other consular services will be provided.

Please book your appointment via e-mail at <u>consul.ca@mfa.lt</u> and provide the following information:

1. The name, surname, address and phone number of the person receiving the consular services;

2. The applicant's personal code or full date of birth (year, month, day) — in the email, please attach a copy of the entire passport of the Republic of Lithuania, as one pdf document;

3. The Consular service required during the meeting.

Please be advised:

•Only persons who have registered in advance will be able to attend. All registered participants will be personally notified by e-mail of the exact time and date of their appointments.

•The fee for consular services, which is paid during the consular mission, is 50% higher than usual.

•The consular fee can be paid by debit or with credit card. We do not accept cash or personal cheques; we apologize for this inconvenience.

All additional information regarding the documents required for your appointment can be found at <u>https://ca.mfa.lt/ca/en/travel-and-residence/general-information/passport-of-the-republic-of-lithuania</u>

Due to COVID 19 and its consequences, First Communion and Sacrament of Confirmation lessons will not take place in January. We'll be back as soon as we get permission. Stay healthy and safe.

Our parish, from September 19th, 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.

Pope at Audience: Work is essential for our growth in holiness



In his catechesis at the General Audience focusing on Saint Joseph, Pope Francis looks at Joseph's life as a worker, and says the dignity of labour is essential for our human development and our growth in holiness.

In his catechesis, Pope Francis looked at how the evangelists Matthew and Mark refer to Joseph as a "carpenter", from the Greek term *tekton*, which referred to a generic qualification of those working as woodworkers and craftsmen in construction. He pointed out how it was a hard job, requiring strength but not generating great earnings.

Looking at Saint Joseph helps remind us of all workers today, especially those who do gruelling work in mines and certain factories, the Pope pointed out. He especially recalled those who are exploited and children who are "forced to work and those who rummage among the trash in search of something useful to trade." This reality also brings to mind those who are out of a job and suffering greatly because of it, especially families struggling to survive, he added.

"In these times of pandemic, many people have lost their jobs and some, crushed by an unbearable burden, reached the point of taking their own lives. I would like to remember each of them and their families today."

Sanctification in work - The Pope also underlined that work is an essential part of human life and even a "path of sanctification." "Work is not only a means of earning a living: it is also a place where we express ourselves, feel useful, and learn the great lesson of concreteness, which helps keep the spiritual life from becoming spiritualism."

The sad fact is that labour often becomes trapped in problems related to social injustice, rather than being protected to respect human dignity and guarantee livelihoods, the Pope observed. He said it would be good to ask ourselves as well with what spirit we carry out our daily work, and how our work relates to others and our destiny.

Looking to Jesus as a model worker - Pope Francis pointed out it is also good to see how Jesus himself worked and learned his trade from St. Joseph.

"Today, we should ask ourselves what we can do to recover the value of work; and what contribution we can make, as the Church, so that work can be redeemed from the logic of mere profit and can be experienced as a fundamental right and duty of the person, which expresses and increases his or her dignity."

In conclusion, the Pope invited everyone to recite a prayer that Saint Paul VI lifted up to Saint Joseph on 1 May 1969.

O Saint Joseph, Patron of the Church! you, who side by side with the Word made flesh, worked each day to earn your bread, drawing from Him the strength to live and to toil; you who experienced the anxiety for the morrow, the bitterness of poverty, the uncertainty of work: you who today give the shining example, humble in the eves of men but most exalted in the sight of God: protect workers in their hard daily lives, defending them from discouragement, from negative revolt, and from pleasure loving temptations; and keep peace in the world, that peace which alone can ensure the development of peoples Amen.

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