

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 20 (3494) May 14th, 2023

6th SUNDAY of the EASTER - A



Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defence for another."

Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known. (loyolapress.com)

"O God, you are the unsearchable abyss of peace, the ineffable sea of love, the fountain of blessings and the bestower of affection, who sends peace to those who receive it. Make us children of quietness and heirs of peace; enkindle in us the fire of your love; sow in us your fear; strengthen our weakness by your power; bind us closely to you and to each other in our firm and indissoluble bond of unity." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m. for Slivinskas' deceased family members	(N.Slivinskas)
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in Ukraine and the world Novena - for living and deceased Mothers	
†Sofija Oleka	(O.Oleka)
†Marija Matusevicius (25th anniv.) blessings of the Lord for sister Stella	(family) (sisters)
†Daiva Vorps	(D.J.Didzbalis)
†Mother and grandmothers	(GJ)
†Bob White and in thanksgiving	(V.White)
†Jonas, Gene and Jonas, jr. Miglinas	(family)
†Genovaitė Budreckis	(daughter and family)
for Zoruba deceased family members	(M.Grambus)
†Jone Balciunas (7th anniv.)	(G.Naruseviciute)



2023

May 28

Cemetery day

June 3

Run for Hope

June 4

Confirmation

June 9 - 11

Camp "Kretinga" -

Work Weekend

Camp Kretinga

July 2-15 (En.)

July 16 - 29 (Lith.)

October 14

MOZAIKA

A Silent Art Auction

October 20-21

Fall Rummage Sale

November 18

70th Anniversary

Parish Dinner

December (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 10

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

**Parish office
hours**

June - October

**Monday - Friday
9 a.m. - 2 pm.**

August 6th - closed

September 4th - closed

Cantors of the Masses:
9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas
11 AM - children
organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses
May 15 - 21

MONDAY (May 15): 7 p.m. Novena; †Vale Jonaityte (B.V.Bireta);
TUESDAY (May 16): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;
WEDNESDAY (May 17): 7 p.m. Novena; request grace of health for Elena, Terese and Valentina (friend);
THURSDAY (May 18): 7 p.m. Novena; †Marija Gudelis (I.P.Tarvydas);
FRIDAY (May 19): 7 p.m. Novena; †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); †Leonas Norvaisa and Norvaisa and Ramanauskas' deceased family members (Norvaisa family);
SATURDAY (May 20): 9 a.m. Novena; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Simas Baltrusaitis and deceased family members (E.Shishkus);
SUNDAY (May 21): 9 a.m. †Regina Panavas (2nd anniv.) (I.Stanaitis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena - for living and deceased Mothers; †Katerina and Juozas Alisauskas (D.J.Didzbalis); †Danute Tunkunas (J.Siciunas); †Vytautas Uspalis (1st anniv.) (R.R.Smolskis); †Antanina and Vidas Adomonis (O.Stoncius); †Antanas Laurinaitis (J.Cuplinskas); for Vanagas' and Kazlauskas' deceased family members (A.S.Vanagas); †Leokadija Nevulis (O.Dirmantas); †Jurgis Senda (Senda family); †Juozas and Elvyra Vosylius (Brigita); †Ona and Eligijus Narusis (R.J.Karasiejus).

Capital Fund - \$ 345,260

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

**Collections in "Vilnius Manor"
and May 7th**

55 envelopes - \$ 1,497
No envelopes - \$ 98.30
Direct deposit - \$ 3,100

Parents of First Communion children
donated \$ 780 to parish

THANK you for your generosity

THE PARISH IS LOOKING FOR an **employee** who could take care of the halls and prepare them for events as needed, e.g.: parish events, funerals, on Sundays or during the week.
Please call the parish office - 416-533-0621.



**Annual Resurrection Parish Run for Hope -
June 3rd**

Join the 5K run or 1 K walk

All proceeds to be donated to St. Francis Cancer Support Centre in Klaipėda, Lithuania.

Registration: <https://forms.gle/7y7jvXE7K8YbH7Rm7>.
e-transfer: viltiesb@gmail.com

In person registration will take place each Sunday after mass, downstairs in front of the parish cafeteria.

If you have any questions, please contact:

gintare_kalendra@yahoo.ca

P.S. Mrs. Aldona Kerpyte, head of the Oncology Center in Klaipėda, sent a documentary film made 5 years ago about the Oncology Center, its activities and sincere people.

Movie link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQOloAzhJss>

Camp **"KRETINGA"** invites all to
Work Weekend on June 9th - 11th.

Guaranteed: a place to sleep and delicious food.

For more information Wally Dauginis: wally.dauginis@bell.ca

**P.S. * paid positions available for help in the kitchen
2-4 weeks in July; *As well, could someone donate
an SUV or VAN to the camp?**

We WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL..



Silent Art Auction - October 14th

*ALL are invited to support MOZAIIKA II by donating artwork:
sculptures, paintings, prints. We will gladly accept donations at the
Church office Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.*

For more information, please contact: raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com



The Toronto Folk Dance Ensemble Gintaras is inviting everyone to "Find the Fern Blossom Festival" on June 24th at the Anapilis halls in Mississauga. Doors open at 2 pm and the festivities will continue until 1am. Advance tickets are available online: \$20 for adults, \$10 for children (5-16) at togintaras.ticketspice.com/gintarines-jonines.

At the door, tickets will be \$25 for adults and \$15 for children (5-16).

For more information about the event go to torontogintaras.com.

"Auksinis club" card players meet every two weeks,

Tuesdays at 1:30 pm in the church cafeteria.

The next dates are: May 23, June 6, June 20. *All are welcome.*

A True Angel

A mother is special, she's more than a friend.
Whenever you need her, she'll give you a hand.
She'll lead you and guide you in all that you do.
Try all that she can just to see you get through.
Good times and bad times, she's there for it all.
Say head up, be proud, and always stand tall.
She'll love you through quarrels and even big fights,
or heart to heart chats on cold lonely nights.
My mother's the greatest that I've ever known,
I think God made my mother like He'd make his own.
A praiser, a helper, an encourager too,
nothing in this world that she wouldn't do.
To help us succeed she does all that she can,
raised a young boy now into a man.
I want to say thank you for all that you do,
please always know Mom, that I love you.
George W. Zellars

**MOTHERS AND GRANDMOTHERS,
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO YOU ALL!
MAY THE LORD'S PEACE,
BOUNDLESS LOVE AND PLENTIFUL
HOLIDAY BLOSSOMS BE WITH YOU
ALL ON THIS DAY OF
CELEBRATION...**

My Mother

Mother of all,
Loved with all her being,
Loved by all, the living, Your soul is with me,
Yet I feel alone, I was blessed, when you were here,
But I need your guidance now,
I feel lost without you,
I feel like my heart is gone,
Please, help me in my time of need,
You have been missed,
But I feel as though I have forgotten you,
I don't want that.
I know Mother's Day,
Was the most important time of year,
For you and me, I miss you,
And the fun times we had,
The memories, Are not only great but hurt as well,
Reminding me every day how much I miss you,
Mother of all mother's,
Wife of all time, friend and great woman,
I will never forget you, Happy Mother's Day,
May your soul rest in peace,
Please keep remaining in my heart,
And watching over me, thanks for everything,
I love you and miss you with all my heart.

With all the love I have,
Louis A. White-Ross-Deliz Son, of Mary Frances Ross

Pope - Heaven is our homeland

Pope Francis assures the faithful gathered in St Peter's Square that Heaven is their homeland, and he urges each of them to follow Jesus when they find themselves wondering where to go and how to get there.

Addressing the faithful gathered in St Peter's Square for his Sunday Regina Coeli, Pope Francis noted that the day's Gospel Reading, which is taken from Jesus' last discourse before his death, shows us how even back then Jesus showed the disciples the way, thus reminding us that He does so today, too: "He tells us where to go and how to go there", said the Pope.

Where to go

Pope Francis goes on to address the "where to go" aspect, noting that Jesus sees the disciples' distress and prepares a place for them to stay so that they may always be where He is. "Jesus uses the familiar image of home, a place of relationships and intimacy. In the Father's house," he says to his friends and to each one of us, "there is room for you, you are welcome, you will be welcomed forever by the warmth of an embrace, and I am in heaven preparing a place for you!", the Pope noted.

This Word he explained "is a source of consolation and hope" as "Jesus did not separate himself from us but opened the way for us, anticipating our final destination: the encounter with God the Father".

We must not lose sight of the goal, the Pope continued, "even if today we run the risk of forgetting it, of forgetting the ultimate questions, the important ones: where are we going? Where do we walk towards? What is it worth living for?" Without these questions, he explained that we only squeeze life into the present", whereas "our homeland is Heaven".

How to go there

Pope Francis then went on to note that once we have discovered the goal, we ask ourselves "how do we get there?" The Pope noted that sometimes, "especially when there are big problems to face and there is the feeling that evil is stronger, we ask ourselves" what to do and which way to go.

"Let Jesus answer this", he urged. "Jesus himself is the way to follow in order to live in truth and have life in abundance", He is the way and therefore faith in Him is not a 'package of ideas' to be believed, but a road to be travelled, a journey to be made, a journey with Him".

Bringing his catechesis to a close, Pope Francis urged those present not to allow themselves to be overwhelmed by the present, but rather to "look up to Heaven, remember the goal and think that we are called to eternity and to an encounter with God". Following the Virgin Mary, concluded the Pope, who in her turn followed Jesus to arrive at this goal will "sustain our hope".



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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.

Through banks - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

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

Writing Cheques payable to **Franciscan Fathers** in the MEMO: Capital Fund, Renovation fund, Monastery, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga", Oncology centre Klaipeda, Franciscan Fathers projects in Lithuania.



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