### CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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In today's Gospel Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's

covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbor stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further. (<a href="loyolapress.com">loyolapress.com</a>)

"We love you, O our God; and we desire to love you more and more. Grant to us that we may love you as much as we desire, and as much as we ought." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

2024

November 9

**Annual Dinner** 

**December** (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 1

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

### I love you, Lord, my strength.

#### **SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:**

9 a.m. †Aldona Zander (S.Brough & D.Pranaitis)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

for peace in the world

Novena

†Stasys and Tomas Prakapas (VDG) †Edmundas Urniezius (RU)

†Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, ofm (Stanevicius family)

†Aldona Vaskevicius (1st anniv) (family)

†Vincas Marcinkevicius (40th anniv.) (R.J.Kuliesius)

for Canadian Lithuanian Fund living and deceased members (KLF board)

for Vaikutis' and Antanaitis' deceased family members (Daiva)

for Vaisnoras', Oleka, Maciulis' & Spizzirri deceased family members (I.Vaisnoras)

Resurrection
Parish Annual
Dinner and
"Capital fund"
Fundraising
evening November 9th,
5 pm

Those who ordered tickets are asked to pay for them:
eTransfer

pprenginiai@hotmail.com

or Rita Grybas 647-625-2625 or ritagrybas@gmail.com

#### **Cantors of the Masses:**

9 AM - Julija Danaitis, Rasa Siauciunas,
 Ramona Kaminskas
 11 AM - choir "Svaja"
 organist - Ilona Beres

### The week's Holy Masses

**MONDAY** (November 4): 7 p.m. Novena; **TUESDAY** (November 5): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (November 6): 7 p.m. Novena; †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (R.J.Balaisis); THURSDAY (November 7): 7 p.m. Novena; †Ana, Sergiejus and Edvardas Prostovas (R.J.Balaisis); request grace of health for neighbour (B.Kazlauskas); †Daria Chodocinskas (E.Degutis);

**FRIDAY** (November 8): 7 p.m. Novena; †Petras Inciura (R.Inciura);

**SATURDAY** (November 9): 9 a.m. Novena; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (November 10): 9 a.m. †Elze Simonavicius (S.Brough); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena; †Juozas Oleka (O.Olekas); †Ona Jankauskas and Jonas Kuliesius (R.J.Kuliesius); †Moniką Bumbulis and Mary White (V.White); †Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis (daughter); †Juozas Jaseliunas (Ozelis family); †Pranas and Magdalena Krilavicius (son and daughter); †Genovaite Zabieliauskas (V.White).

### Capital Fund - \$ \$ 374,215

A.Baziliauskas, R.J.Birgiolas, A.Maciulis, A.Morkunas, R.Shamess, A.R.Sileika, E.S.Stoncius, R.L.Steer - \$ 1,200 THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (10.27) & "Vilnius Manor" Collections -

42 envelopes - \$ 1,475 No envelopes - \$ 99.35 Direct deposit - \$ 1,470

In memoriam of Bronius Naudziunas, "Amalgamated Transit Union" donated \$50 for Camp "Kretinga"

In memoriam of Birute Stanulis, friends donated \$1,965 to the parish

THANK you for your generosity...

### Prayer for All Souls' Day

Lord God,

Today we remember our beloved deceased, who have left this world and rest in eternal peace.
With deep faith and gratitude for their lives, we turn to You, asking for Your intercession and grace.

We pray that You grant them eternal rest and light, so they may enjoy the joy of Your glory and peaceful rest. May Your love and grace, which they experienced in life, continue after death, granting them eternal life with Your saints. We ask that You forgive their sins and grant them

heavenly happiness. May their souls rest in Your peace and be enveloped in Your love.

We ask that You intercede for us, who live on this earth, and help us live according to Your will, so that we may receive Your gift of eternal life with hope and faith. We thank You for our deceased and for all that they have left us. We seek Your blessing and hope, that we too may be united with them in Your kingdom.

Amen.

This prayer is intended as a prayer for the deceased, seeking God's forgiveness and eternal life for them, as well as requesting blessings and strength for the living to follow God's will.

The Parish's Fundraising Committee is launching a Silent Auction.

An oil painting "oil on canvas" by renowned artist Antanas Tamosaitis (1906-2005) will be available for bidding on Sunday, November 3rd after 9AM and 11AM Mass and at the Parish's Annual Dinner on Saturday, November 9th.



TAMOŠAITIS

Tamošaitis developed a highly personal style that blended modern abstract elements and Lithuanian folk art motifs. This is a unique opportunity to add a beautiful and rarely available piece of art to your collection. Starting bid is \$100.

and further bids are accepted in increments of \$25.

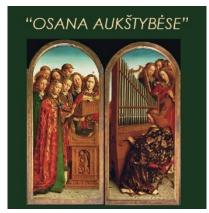
# Discover treasures from our collection at the Lithuanian Museum Archives of Canada A Tribute to Antanas Tamošaitis

Join us on a visual journey through the captivating world of Antanas Tamošaitis — a Lithuanian artist whose brushstrokes

resonate with cultural richness. As a representative of Lithuanian modernism, he was successful in establishing a unique style merging ancient Lithuanian folk-art motifs with modern abstract techniques.

**Exhibition details:** November 3 - 29. Daily from 11 am - 4 pm (except Saturdays).

Lithuanian Museum Archives of Canada (2185 Stavebank Rd., Mississauga)



Join us for our 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas

Concert featuring an extraordinary performance by the renowned Lithuanian concert organist, Virginijus Barkauskas.

Sunday, December 1st at 4 pm, Resurrection Parish. Admission by donation.

Sunday, on November 17th

- 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 are attached to today's

HALLOWEEN CANDY FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

bulletin and you will find in the church vestibule.

October 27th - November 3rd

From November 1st until November 5th, we will be collecting and donating extra Halloween treats to third world countries via Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children organization.

These sugary treats provide valuable nourishment to those severely malnourished. The sugar stimulates their appetites, as starving children are often unable to eat.

Treats can be left in the collection box that is placed in front of the parish doors. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vida - vidag@primus.ca

Thank you for your heartfelt support.

More info about the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in Canada for consular mission in Toronto on November 23-24 in advertising board.

### Continue ... He Loved Us': Pope Francis' new encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus

'Actions and words of love' - The second chapter is dedicated to the actions and words of love of Christ. The acts by which He treats us as friends



and shows that God "is closeness, compassion, and tender love" are evident in His encounters with the Samaritan woman, Nicodemus, the prostitute, the adulterous woman, and the blind man on the road.

His gaze, which "plumbs the depths of your heart", shows "how attentive Jesus was to individuals and above all to their problems and needs", in such a way "as to admire the good things He recognizes in us"—as He recognized the good in the centurion—even if others ignore them. His most eloquent word of love is "being nailed to the Cross," after having wept for His friend Lazarus and suffered in the Garden of Gethsemane, aware of His violent death "at the hands of those whom He had loved so greatly".

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is a synthesis of the Gospel - The Pope clarifies that the visions of some saints, particularly devoted to the Heart of Christ, "are rich sources of encouragement and can prove greatly beneficial," but "are not something the faithful are obliged

to believe as if they were the Word of God."

At the same time, he reminds us, along with Pope Pius XII, that this devotion "cannot be said 'to owe its origin to private revelations." Rather, "devotion to Christ's heart is essential for our Christian life to the extent that it expresses our openness in faith and adoration to the mystery of the Lord's divine and human love" and "in this sense, we can once more affirm that the Sacred Heart is a synthesis of the Gospel".

The Pope calls for renewing devotion to the Heart of Christ, especially to counter "new manifestations of a disembodied spirituality" that are multiplying in society. It is essential, he says, to return to "the incarnate synthesis of the Gospel" in the face of "communities and pastors excessively caught up in external activities, structural reforms that have little to do with the Gospel, obsessive reorganization plans, worldly projects, secular ways of

thinking and mandatory programmes".

The experience of 'a love that gives itself as drink' - In the last two chapters, Pope Francis highlights two aspects that devotion to the Sacred Heart should unite to 'to nourish us and bring us closer to the Gospel': personal spiritual experience, and community and missionary commitment.

In the fourth chapter, "A love that gives itself as drink," he revisits the Scriptures, and with the early Christians, recognizes Christ and His pierced side in "the one whom they have pierced," a prophecy from the book of Zechariah in which God refers to Himself as an open fountain for the people, to quench their thirst for God's love, "to cleanse them from sin and impurity".

Various Church Fathers have mentioned "the wounded side of Jesus as the source of the water of the Holy Spirit"—especially St. Augustine, who "opened the way to devotion to the Sacred Heart

as the locus of our personal encounter with the Lord".

Gradually, this wounded side, recalls the Pope, "began to be associated with His Heart" and he lists several holy women who "in recounting their experiences of encounter with Christ, have spoken of resting in the heart of the Lord as the source of life and interior peace."

Among the modern devotees, the encyclical first mentions St. Francis de Sales, who presents his spiritual proposal with "a single

heart pierced by two arrows,".

The Prayer of Pope Francis

"I ask our Lord Jesus Christ to grant that His Sacred Heart may continue to pour forth the streams of living water that can heal the hurt we have caused, strengthen our ability to love and serve others, and inspire us to journey together towards a just, solidary and fraternal world. Until that day when we will rejoice in celebrating together the banquet of the heavenly kingdom in the presence of the risen Lord, who harmonizes all our differences in the light that radiates perpetually from his open heart. May he be blessed forever".

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- Enable multi-factor authentication
- Don't respond to phishy emails
- Avoid opening suspicious links and attachments



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