

# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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## 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B



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 neighbour. 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 neighbour. 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 neighbour 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. ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com))

"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](http://dailyscripture.net)) †R.R.

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

#### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

- |         |  |                                 |
|---------|--|---------------------------------|
| 9 a.m.  | †Vincas Radzevicius  | (L.Sukauskas)                   |
| 11 a.m. | for living and deceased parishioners                               |                                 |
|         | †Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, OFM  | (Stanevicius family)            |
|         | †Eugenijus Siciunas  | (wife)                          |
|         | †Kazimieras Budreckis  | (daughter Virginija and family) |
|         | †Brone Beresnevicius   | (B.Tamosiunas)                  |
|         | †Laimute and Ksaveras RataVICIUS                                   | (A.RataVICIUS)                  |
|         | †Marija and Marijonas Petrikas                                     | (A.JurceVICIUS)                 |
|         | †Ale Pivorius (35th anniv.)  | (daughter)                      |
|         | †Ona and Zigmas GirDAUSKAS   | (family)                        |
|         | †Juozas BanSEVICIUS  | (family)                        |
|         | for Judvytis', Vydmantas' and Dackus' deceased family members (GJ) |                                 |
|         | for Canadian Lithuanian Fund deceased members                      | (KLF board)                     |
|         | requesting grace of health for Dainora                             | (GJ)                            |

#### Sunday Masses

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Prisikelimo Parapija,

Tevai Pranciskonai

2020 - 2021

Monday, November

1st, 7pm.

*Let us each take the time to come together in prayer and song, to*



*light a candle for the dearly departed.*

*"Volunge" women's ensemble will sing.*

## Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas

11 AM - Danguole Juozapavicius,  
Danute Pranaitis, Zita Nausedas,  
Ilona Tarvydas, Judita Gabrys,  
Julija Danaitis, Danguole Lelis,  
Laima Underis, Rasa Wilkinson,  
Zibute Janeliunas, Janet Krisciunas,  
Sandy Mc Cullough, Grazina Adie  
**organist** - Ilona Beres

## THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

**MONDAY** (November 1): 7 p.m. Novena;  
†Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, OFM (V.Zaleckaite);  
†Dainius Grinevicius (sister);

**TUESDAY** (November 2): 7 p.m. Novena;  
living and deceased benefactors; requesting  
Lord's blessings for Roel Torres (O.Torres);

**WEDNESDAY** (November 3): 7 p.m.  
Novena; special intention (Ruta G.);

**THURSDAY** (November 4): 7 p.m.  
Novena; special intention (R.Masionis);  
†Stasys Prakapas (Zimnickas family); †Ona  
and Eligijus Narusis and Albertas  
Staskevicius (R.J.Karasiejus);

**FRIDAY** (November 5): 7 p.m. †Stasys  
Prakapas (family);

**SATURDAY** (November 6): 9 a.m.  
†Andrius Sarbanas, jr. (E.Putrimas); 5 p.m.  
"Vilnius Manor" †Henrikas and Irena  
Matusaitis (E.Shishkus);

**SUNDAY** (November 7): 9 a.m. †Stasys  
Prakapas (S.Brough ir D.Pranaitis); 11 a.m.  
Novena - for deceased souls; living and  
deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Siciunas  
(wife); †Monika Bumbulis and Mary White  
(V.White); †Emilija and Alfertas Nideras  
(D.Danaitis); †Clara Stankus  
(A.Jurcevicius); †Antanas (20th anniv.) and  
Danute (10th anniv.) Damasius (daughter);  
†Ona Jankauskas and Jonas Kuliesius  
(R.J.Kuliesius); †Petras Adamonis (family);  
for Dragunevicius' deceased family  
members (I.Dragunevicius); requesting  
grace of health for father Povilas  
(R.R.Syvokas); requesting grace of health  
for Maria Mathew (O.Torres).

Capital Fund - 323,504

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

### Collections of October 24th

46 envelopes - \$ 1,595

No envelopes - \$ 38.20

Direct deposit - \$ 1,075

eTransfer - \$ 100

World Missions Sunday - \$ 75

THANK you for your generosity



## This is the parish home for all of us – so welcome home!

Let us follow all necessary precautions to keep  
the community safe and healthy.

Maximum capacity remains at 90 persons per Mass, in order to comply  
with social distancing guidelines, including priests and music ministry  
members. Should this capacity be exceeded, additional seating will be  
made available in the church hall, with audio broadcast of the Mass. We  
ask for your patience and understanding in these unusual times.

Of course, all existing precautions will remain in effect to ensure the  
health and safety of all: \*If you are experiencing symptoms, please stay  
home; \*Upon arrival at church, please check in with the volunteers;  
\*Disinfect your hands and wear a face covering while you are in church;  
\*Always maintain a safe distance of 2m. from others.

Understandably, not everyone feels comfortable or safe returning to  
church at this time. Live streaming of Mass from our parish in Lithuanian  
will continue Sundays at 11, as will the streaming of English language  
Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral.

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The Province of Ontario's regulation related to proof of  
vaccination that came into force on September 22, 2021, directly impacts  
parish hall rentals. Renters of parish facilities for events, meetings and  
sports are now required to check ID and proof of vaccination certificates  
of all participants upon entry to the facility.

The **new regulation does not apply to places of worship**, and we  
will continue to follow existing COVID 19 protocols for masses, i.e.,  
masks must we worn throughout, social distancing, sanitizing hands  
upon entry.

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

**Lithuanian food for take out will be prepared every Sunday. We  
ask that you order EARLY in the week.**

Pre-ordering is mandatory by email to Grazina Valintiene  
[grazinav2@hotmail.com](mailto:grazinav2@hotmail.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.**

## TODAY SHARE LIFE Campaign.

Please consider supporting the Archdiocesan charities by  
using the envelopes or by going to the internet  
[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) and using the **DONATE NOW**. You will  
find envelopes in the church vestibule. Thank you



**TODAY: Cemetery Visitation** at St. John's Lithuanian  
Cemetery.

Lunch during Cemetery Day will be sold outside the doors of  
the Museum Hall (Hall "D") from 10 am to 4 pm.

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.



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**Rev. Kazimieras Kaknevičius**

Passed away peacefully at the age of 95 on October 23rd, 2021.

Born in Cekaiciai, Lithuania, one of eleven children. Following the second world war he immigrated to Canada with his brother Juozas. Once in Canada he settled in Toronto where he met his wife, Janina Vanagas. They raised three boys, Victor (Tracy), Rimas (Rymanta) and Linas (Cindi).

Sadly, Janina died of cancer at the young age of 49. One year later, at the age of 53, Kazimieras decided to devote the rest of his life to the service of God and travelled to Rome to study for the Priesthood. He was ordained in 1984 and returned to Canada where he served the parishes of Our Lady of Siluva, London; Church of the Resurrection, Toronto and Lithuanian Martyrs Church, Mississauga.

His last few years were lived at the Labdara Nursing Home in Toronto.

Rev. Kaknevičius (Senelis) will be dearly missed by his three sons, seven Grandchildren Chris (Lauren), Jessie (Kris) Steven (Meg), Daniel (Meredith), Tomas, Ariana, Aleksandras, as well as six Great Grandchildren, Taelyn, Sydney, Elsa, Caitlin, Violet and Joshua.

Also left behind are his many relatives in Lithuania who he visited with all his children and grandchildren.

Rev. Kazimieras Kaknevičius was buried on October 27th at St. John's cemetery, Anapolis.

***Please remember him in your prayers.***

**If you want to gain experience, try new activities,  
 or just do good work – Come volunteer  
 at Labdara Lithuanian Nursing Home!**

**You can become a volunteer if you:**

- are empathetic, sincere, understanding;
- want to communicate with interesting seniors who have a lot of life experience and history;
- want to spend your free time meaningfully; and
- **are fully vaccinated.**

**You will be able to:**

- communicate individually with residents;
- plan and/or implement group activities;
- assist in various activities including connecting with family members via Zoom;
- exercise, help to transport residents in wheelchairs;
- assist residents in daily activities: going for walks, reading and writing;
- sing, play cards or games with our residents.

We invite everyone who can, to dedicate some time to volunteering at Labdara Lithuanian Nursing Home. Remember that 1 hour per week can have a very significant impact.

We especially invite students who may be considering careers in healthcare to join us and to earn community volunteer hours.

As mandatory vaccination for all who work in long-term care homes comes into effect in November, there may be changes in staffing, and in planned activities for our residents. We need a strong group of volunteers to help minimize the impact of the changes on our residents. We anticipate that temporarily, life at Labdara will be different. With patience and respect for one another, we will come through this situation.

**Please give the residents of Labdara the greatest gift – a little of your time!**

If you wish to volunteer, please contact Lilijana Gavrilovic:  
[lifenrichment@labdara.ca](mailto:lifenrichment@labdara.ca) 416-232-2112 ext. 403

**Thank you!**

**Pope Francis: Love alone attracts and  
 changes the human heart**



Saint Paul reminds the Galatians – and us – that the centre of salvation and faith is the death and resurrection of the Lord, Pope Francis said at Wednesday's

The Pope warned that there are many people today “who still seek religious security rather than the living and true God, focusing on rituals and precepts instead of embracing God’s love with their whole being.”

**Return to what is essential**

So, he said, St Paul asks the Galatians “to return to what is essential, to the God who gives us life in Christ crucified.” Pope Francis encourages us to “place ourselves in front of Christ crucified,” including in Adoration of the Eucharist, when we feel we are losing the thread in our spiritual life.

This leads to a further step, he continued: When we meet Christ crucified, Jesus changes our hearts, which leads us to understand that “the Gospel is meant for everyone, not just for a privileged few.” Thus, the Pope said, “the life of the community is regenerated” and through the Spirit, our lives as Christians are renewed, and we are able to continue “to engage in our spiritual battle.”

**Works of the flesh v. fruit of the Spirit**

Here Saint Paul presents a dichotomy between the “works of the flesh” and the “fruit of the Spirit.” Pope Francis explained that the works of the flesh are “behaviours that are contrary to the Spirit of God. St Paul does not intend to say that the flesh is evil in itself, but uses the term to indicate the condition of being turned in on oneself, “closing the door to the spirit” and reminding us that the things of the world grow old and pass away, “while the Spirit gives life.”

Christians are called to live out our baptismal calling, which leads to the fruits of the Spirit: “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.” Pope Francis invited Christians to read Saint Paul and reflect on our own behaviour to see if we are bearing those fruits.

**A challenge for our communities**

“The Apostle’s teaching poses quite a challenge for our communities, too,” Pope Francis said. He explained, “the beauty of faith in Jesus Christ cannot be grasped on the basis of so many commandments or of a moral vision developed in many layers which can make us forget the original fruitfulness of love nourished by prayer from which peace and joyful witness flow.”

Nor, he said, can “the life of the Spirit ... be suffocated by a bureaucracy that prevents access to the grace of the Spirit, the initiator of conversion of the heart.”

**Proclaiming Christ crucified**

Therefore, Pope Francis said in conclusion, “we have the huge responsibility of proclaiming Christ crucified and risen, enlivened by the breath of the Spirit of love. For it is this Love alone that possesses the power to attract and change the human heart.”



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