

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 47 (3521) November 19th, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary time - A



This week's Gospel speaks of how Jesus' disciples are to conduct themselves as they await the Kingdom of Heaven. In the preceding passages and in last week's Gospel, Jesus taught that there is no way to predict the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. His disciples must, therefore, remain vigilant and ready to receive the Son of Man at any time.

Jesus' parable talks about Christian discipleship using economic metaphors. Before he leaves on a journey, the master entrusts to his servants a different number of talents, giving to each according to their abilities. A *talent* is a coin of great value. Upon the master's return, he finds that the first and second servants have doubled their money, and both are rewarded. The third servant, however, has only preserved what was given to him because he was afraid to lose the money. He has risked nothing; he did not even deposit the money in a bank to earn interest. This servant is punished by the master, and his talent is given to the one who brought the greatest return.

Read in light of last week's parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this parable teaches that God's judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God's judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities.

This Gospel reminds us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbor. God's grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven. (loyolapress.com)

"Lord Jesus, be the ruler of my heart and thoughts, be the king of my home and relationships, and be the master of my work and service. Help me to make good use of the gifts, talents, time, and resources you give me for your glory and your kingdom." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

***O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his way.***

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m.	†Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas	(GJ)
11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners for peace in the world Novena	
	†Eugenijus Cuplinskis (5th anniv.)	(family)
	†Birute and Jonas (20th anniv.) Danaitis	(family)
	†Donatas Karosas	(family)
	†Julius Nevulis	(O.Dirmantas)
	†Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis	(G.Laurinaitis)
	†Albina and Antanas Laurinaitis	(V.White)
	†Laima Gudinskas	(R.R.Syvokas)
	†Leopoldas and Ramute Gumuliauskas	(E.Pranckevicius)
	for Canadian Lithuanian Fund living and deceased members for parish living and deceased priests	(KLF board)

2023

November 19

Parish Family Day
11 am Thanksgiving
Mass

December 8 - 10

Advent Retreat
(in Lithuanian)

December 10 4pm

Christmas Concert

December 25

Christmas

**Office hours during
the Holidays**

December 22

OPEN

9 a.m. - 12 noon

December 25-26

CLOSED

December 29

OPEN

9 a.m. - 12 noon

January 1, 2024

CLOSED

Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Zibute Janeliunas & Ted Chornomaz

11 AM - children

organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (November 20): 7 p.m. Novena; †Bernardas Macys (Prakapas family);

TUESDAY (November 21): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena;

WEDNESDAY (November 22): 7 p.m. Novena; †Arunas Caplikas (V.Zaleckaite);

THURSDAY (November 23): 7 p.m. Novena; for Gumuliauskas', Skirkus' and Kasperavicius' living and deceased family members (E.Pranckevicius; †Ona Budeikis (Neverauskas);

FRIDAY (November 24): 7 p.m. Novena; for Krasauskas' and Tamkevicius' deceased family members (O.Krasauskas);

SATURDAY (November 25): 9 a.m. Novena; †Laima Macionis (V.Zaleckaite); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Vytautas Masalas (L.Turutaite);

SUNDAY (November 26): 9 a.m. †Ona Kirvaitis (family); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena; †Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas (1st annv.) ("Kretinga"); in thanksgiving (GJ); †Leokadija Nevulis (18th annv.) (granddaughter Vida); †Elzbieta Ribokas (Suziedelis family); †Antanina Adomonis and Vida Adomonis-Thomas (family); for Petraitis' and Valinta deceased family members (G.Valintiene); †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (IM); †Veronika and Linas Balaisis (IM); †Elzbieta Puodziukas (12th annv.) (family); for Marteckas deceased family members (Senda family); †Ona and Eligijus Narusis (R.J.Karasiejus); †Liudas Matukas (G.Matukas).

Capital Fund - \$ 349,875

Correction - Algis Simonavicius' friends, for his 70th anniversary donated \$1,715

R.Inciura - \$ 500

THANK YOU...

"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (11.12) and "Vilnius Manor" Collections -

61 envelopes - \$ 2,495

No envelopes - \$ 152.35

Direct deposit - \$ 1,140

THANK you for your generosity...

*„Whatsoever you do unto the least of these,
you do it unto me.“*

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE

70th ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH!

BLESSINGS OF THE LORD, LOVE, FAITH AND HOPE...

Our legacy is really the lives we touch, the inspiration we give, altering someone's plan - if even for a moment - and getting them to think, cry, laugh, argue. More than anything, we are remembered for our smiles; the ones we share with our closest and dearest, and the ones we bestow on a total stranger, who needed it right then, and God put you there to deliver."

C.Hamilton

It has been a year since we lost Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas. Although we cannot meet or talk with him, we always feel his presence at the Mass, camp and in the memories of each of us.

Late Monsignor Edmundas Putrimas will be remembered at the first anniversary of his death on November 26th at 11AM Mass.

After Mass, camp "Kretinga" invites everyone to the parish hall to enjoy sweets and coffee.

Sunday, November 19th - 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 you will find in the church vestibule.



"DŽIUGI DANGAUS GIESMĖ"

38th Annual Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 10th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Church

All our choirs are participating.

We look forward to seeing you all!

"KIŠKIŲ KLUBAS" - Sunday, November 26th at 12 noon, after Mass, children together with their parents are invited to the small hall to enjoy making Christmas crafts, hosted by "Kiškių klubas". All welcome...



Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated on Thursday evenings during Advent. The most important „**doing**“ during adoration is just „**being**.“ Because unlike other prayer forms, during „Adoration“ one is in the presence of God. One is face to face with Jesus, who is real and remains present in that little white host. During „Adoration“ one needs to trust, and accept with faith such an encounter with God, the Almighty, who created the entire universe by his Word and sustains it, - the Omnipotent, to whom mountains and hills bow low, in that moment of encounter He is before me in the form of bread!

We look forward to your attending the encounter with Jesus Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. (in Lithuanian)

December 8 - 10

Advent Retreat (in Lithuanian)

DECEMBER 10th 9 am - MASS / CONFESSION

Fr. Algirdas Malakauskas, OFM

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR DONATIONS.
EVERY DONATION HELPS WITH MAINTENANCE OF
THE CHURCH AND THE PARISH...**

**Information for donating envelopes - BIG CHANGES -
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therefore, please ensure that **all** the **information** requested on the donor's envelope is **completed**: your first and last name and full current address.

We also urge parishioners to promptly **notify** the church office of a **change of address** in order to ensure the timely delivery of tax receipts at year-end.

PLEASE DON'T wait until the last week of December to transfer, bring or send donations to the Parish.

You can donate to the parish and for parish causes through:

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A: Resurrection; (indicating to whom the donation is addressed) or on the **parish site**

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Pope at Audience: Jesus is our joy



During his Wednesday General Audience, Pope Francis stresses that Jesus is our constant source of joy, our friend who accompanies each of us on our way.

Jesus is the source of our joy, and our faithful friend. He is with us on our journey.

Pope Francis offered these words of comfort during his weekly General Audience in St. Peter's Square on Wednesday morning.

After having dedicated a catechesis series to figures who embody "apostolic zeal", the Holy Father has now begun to summarize apostolic zeal in four points, grounded in his first Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* ('The Joy of the Gospel.')

This week, Pope Francis dedicated his catechesis to the first of the four points: Joy.

Jesus is our joy

"Jesus is our joy," the Pope stressed. The Holy Father recalled that, as Christians, we have Christ as our faithful friend who is always at our side, no matter what we face. The Lord, as the Pope suggested, is always with us in all we do.

Our personal encounter with Christ, Pope Francis highlighted, makes us new and fills us with joy.

How we proclaim the Lord

"The question, dear brothers and sisters, is therefore not whether to proclaim Him," the Pope said, "but how to proclaim Him, and this 'how' is joy. Either we proclaim Jesus with joy, or we do not proclaim Him, because any other way of proclaiming Him is not capable of bringing the true reality of Jesus."

The Pope recalled a passage from the Gospel according to St. Luke which tells the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, who were filled with joy after encountering the Lord. "One returns to daily life with the impetus of one who has found a treasure," the Holy Father noted, adding, "They were joyful, these two, because they had found Jesus, and He changed their lives."

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Jesus, our friend, is always with us

Given this great reason to be joyful, the Holy Father lamented when we Christians do not reflect the joy and hope offered by Christ's closeness to us, especially when we seem to have "fish faces."

These unhappy Christians, he warned, forget the Lord's closeness to us, which instead makes us new.

"An encounter with Jesus always brings you joy and if this does not happen to you," Pope Francis explained, "it is not a true encounter with Jesus."

Pope Francis concluded by offering comforting words for the faithful to take to heart, and some homework.

"Each of us today take a little time and think: 'Jesus, You are within me: I want to meet You every day. You are a Person, not an idea; You are a companion, not a programme. You are Love that solves so many problems. You are the beginning of evangelisation. You, Jesus, are the source of joy.' Amen"

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