### CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 33 (3403) August 15th, 2021

## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary-B





Today's feast celebrates Mary's Assumption into heaven. It is one of three feasts of Mary that are Holy Days of Obligation for Catholics in the United States. January 1 is the feast of Mary, the Mother of God, and December 8 is the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. The assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven has long been held as an important Catholic belief. The belief was not defined as dogma, however, until 1950 by Pope Pius XII.

The dogma teaches that Mary, who was without sin, was taken, body and soul, into the glory of heaven.

The Gospel for this holy day recalls Mary's actions after the announcement of Jesus' birth by the Angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit her cousin Elizabeth who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. Mary responds to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favor upon the people of Israel. Mary's Magnificat, in particular, echoes the song of praise offered by Hannah, the mother of Samuel.

The Gospel for this day reminds us that Mary's Assumption into heaven is best understood with regard for the full spectrum of Catholic beliefs about the person of Christ and the person of Mary. Only Mary, who was born without stain of original sin—the Immaculate Conception—could give birth to Christ, who is fully God and fully human. This is called the Immaculate Conception. Because of Mary's role in God's plan of salvation, she does not suffer from the effects of sin, which are death and decay. Mary is the first to receive the fullness of the redemption that her son has won for all of humanity. The Church, therefore, recognizes Mary as the sign of the salvation promised to all.

Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation. (loyolapress.com)

The queen stands at your eight hand, arrayed in gold.

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

9 a.m. special intention (NN)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

†Ona and Juozapas Vydmantas (granddaughter)

†Eugenijus Siciunas (wife)

†Vladas Koncius (daughter Irena and family)

†Bob White (3rd anniv.) and Angelika Sungaila (V.White) †Aldona Gudavicius (3rd anniv.) (R.G.Gulyas)

†Stase and Mecys Businkas and Samuel Ratavicius (A.Ratavicius)

asking the Lord for peace for family and friends (GJ)

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Office hours
for June - July August
will be 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

### THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES August 16th - 22nd

**MONDAY** (August 16): 7 p.m. †Aniceta Matulionis (23rd anniv.) (JMC);

**TUESDAY** (August 17): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors;

**WEDNESDAY** (August 18): 7 p.m. †Fritz and Diana Violas (A.Ulba);

**THURSDAY** (August 19): 7 p.m. †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); †Petras Nevulis (O.Dirmantas); †Stase and Mecys Businskas and Julie Abbs (L.Underys);

**FRIDAY** (August 20): 7 p.m. †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (R.J.Balaisis);

**SATURDAY** (August 21): 9 a.m. †Pijus and Jeronimas Pleinys (I.Kavanagh); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" Elena, Povilas and Zenonas Raciunas (sister);

**SUNDAY** (August 22): 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Romas Simkus (GJ); †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Angelika Sungaila (KLKM); †Sofija and Juozas Oleka (O.Oleka); requesting grace of health Rita Birgiolas (J.Birgiolas); †Stasys Prakapas (N.Slivinskas and family); requesting grace of health and blessings of the Lord for family (RB).

Capital Fund - \$ 321,504
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"For it is in giving that we receive".

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Collections of August 1st

32 envelopes - \$ 1,310 No envelopes - \$ 65 Direct deposit - \$ 1,920 eTransfer - \$ 350 eTransfer (Mass intention) - \$ 260

### **Collections of August 8th**

36 envelopes - \$ 1,750 No envelopes - \$ 33 Direct deposit - \$ 1,630 eTransfer - \$ 500 eTransfer (Mass intention)- \$ 110

In memory of Stasys Prakapas, the friends donated \$ 1,030 for parish

**THANK** you for your generosity

# THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES August 23rd - 29th

**MONDAY** (August 23): 7 p.m. †Algirdas Stuopis, L.M.Kuncius ir N.Barysa (S.Stuopis);

**TUESDAY** (August 24): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; **WEDNESDAY** (August 25): 7 p.m. †Antanas Zdencevicius (family);

**THURSDAY** (August 26): 7 p.m. †Jonas, Brone and Edvardas Stankaitis (A.Ulba); †Stasys Prakapas (D.J.Didzbalis); †Liudas Matukas (G.Matukas);

**PENKTADIENIS** (August 27): 7 v.v. †Irena Gimbutis (V.Zaleckaite); special intention (NN);

**SATURDAY** (August 28): 9 a.m. †Valentinas and Marija Indris (R.Indris); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor" †Simas Baltrusaitis and deceased family members (E.Shishkus);

**SUNDAY** (August 29): 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Albinas Radziunas (14th anniv.) (family); †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (J.R.Balaisis); †Juozas Bancevicius (Prakapas family); †Stasys Prakapas (J.Mickus).



Through the sacrament of Baptism, we welcome

Vakaris Jonas Tarvydas, Jonas Rumbutis and Gustas Gabrielius Zanevskij -

into our community of faith.

We rejoice with their parents, asking God's abundant blessings to their families.

#### Dear Parishioners,

Mass participation is to 90 people at our church, including priests and music ministry members. We trust that during the summer these new limits will be sufficient to accommodate all who wish to participate.

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

\*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.

Let's look forward with hope to the not-too-distant future when our entire community will meet at Mass. Until then, let's unite in prayer wherever we are.

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### 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B





For our Gospel today, we hear the conclusion of the "Bread of Life discourse" in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. In the preceding verses, which we have heard proclaimed in our liturgy over the past few weeks, we have heard Jesus explain that he is the Bread of Life, given so that those who believe may have eternal life. As Jesus has been teaching these things, John's Gospel describes a murmuring crowd unable to accept Jesus' words. In today's Gospel, the crowd has dwindled in number, and John no longer references them, or the Jews. Instead John describes the questioning of those considered to be Jesus' own disciples.

Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Just as the larger crowd had struggled with

Jesus' teaching, these disciples also cannot accept Jesus' words. Jesus is said to know about their murmuring. He responds by acknowledging their unbelief and by reiterating that only those chosen by the Father will follow Jesus to the end. John's Gospel reports that many of those who had been Jesus' disciples ceased to follow him at this point. The number of people following Jesus dwindled from a crowd of more than 5,000 to only 12 people. And it is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention.

Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question as to whether those closest to him will also leave, reminds us of the reports of Peter's confession of faith. Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life.

This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make his or her own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow. God's grace invites us to be Jesus' disciples, but each person must respond to the grace of God and confess as his or her own the belief that Jesus is the one from God. This faith then commits us to the path of life, leading us to eternal life. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

> Taste and see the goodness of the Lord; taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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