CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS Nr. 43 (3570) October 27th, 2024 **30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B**



Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesu' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity.

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how guickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him.

When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth.

Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith— "Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death. (<u>loyolapress.com</u>) †R.R.

What marvels the Lord worked for us! In deed we were glad!

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

†Algirdas Smolskis 9 a.m. 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners for peace in the world [†]Ionas Dirmantas (daughter Vida) **†**Kazimieras Budreckis (daughter Virginija) †Marta Radziunas (D.L.Radziunas) +Liudas Matukas (7th anniv.) (family) †Juozas, Stase and Kazimieras Radzevicius (A.Radzevicius) **†Bronius Naudziunas** (Zimnickas family) **†Linas Butkys** (R.A.Cygas) for Gindrienis' and Laurinavicius' deceased family members (L.D.Laurinavicius) thanksgiving intention to Mary of Siluva (R.J.Karasiejus)

2024

November 3 Cemetery day November 9 Annual Dinner **December** (date TBD) Advent Retreat December 1 Christmas Concert December 25 Christmas



(M.Marcis)

Cantors of the Masses: 9 AM - Audra Rusinas and Zita Nausedas 11 AM - children organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses

MONDAY (October 28): 7 p.m. †Valentinas and Maria Indris (R.Indris);

TUESDAY (October 29): 7 p.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Ale Pivoriene (38th anniv.) and Savickas' deceased family members (daughter);

WEDNESDAY (October 30): 7 p.m. †Ramute and Leopoldas Gumuliauskas (daughter);

THURSDAY (October 31): 7 p.m. †Vytautas Judvytis (daughter); for Jonuska and Didzbalis deceased family members (family); †Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, ofm (V.Zaleckaite); in thanksgiving (A.Kuncaitis);

FRIDAY (November 1): 7 p.m. Novena; for Urbonavicius', Planciunas' & Levinskas' deceased family members (JP); for Judvytis', Dackus' & Vydmantas' deceased family members (GJ);

SATURDAY (November 2): 9 a.m. Novena; †Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, ofm (VDG); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (November 3): 9 a.m. †Aldona Zander (S.Brough & D.Pranaitis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; Novena; †Stasys and Tomas Prakapas (VDG); †Edmundas Urniezius (RU); †Fr.Eugenijus Jurgutis, ofm (Stanevicius family); †Alfredas Stanevicius and Nijole Stanevicius-Hernandez (G.A.Valavicius); †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' and Spizzirri deceased family members (I.Vaisnoras).

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RESURRECTION PARISH ANNUAL DINNER AND "CAPITAL FUND" FUNDRAISING EVENING - November 9th, 5 pm

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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 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.



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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)

HALLOWEEN CANDY FOR CHILDREN IN NEED 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.

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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 - <u>vidag@primus.ca</u>

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.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. "In loving memory of those we've lost, may their souls continue to inspire us with their love and memories." "All Souls' Day reminds us that death is not the end, but a transition to a higher realm. May our dear *departed find eternal peace* and happiness."



We will remember and pray for our departed

loved ones who died during 2023 - 2024 on 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 be singing.

TODAY, on October 27th, **10 a.m**.in the parish meeting r 0 0 m **Confirmation** registration and activities.

"Auksinis klubas" will meet on Tuesday, October 29th, 1:00pm in the church cafeteria. Snaige Šileika agreed to discuss and present a short film about an art exhibition in Lithuania.

(Everything is in Lithuanian).

He Loved Us':

Pope Francis' new encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus "Dilexit nos," Pope Francis' fourth Encyclical, retraces the

tradition and relevance of thought on "the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ," calling for a renewal of authentic devotion to avoid forgetting the tenderness of faith, the joy of serving, and the fervour of mission.

"He loved us', Saint Paul says of Christ (cf. *Rom* 8:37), in order to make us realize that nothing can ever "separate us" from that love (*Rom* 8:39)": Thus begins Pope Francis' fourth Encyclical, which takes its title from the opening words, *Dilexit nos*.

The Encyclical is dedicated to the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus Christ: "His open heart has gone before us and waits for us, unconditionally, asking only to offer us His love and friendship," the Pope writes in the introductory paragraph. "For 'He loved us first' (cf. 1 Jn 4:10). Because of Jesus, 'we have come to know and believe in the love that God has for us' (1 Jn 4:16)."

The love of Christ represented in His Sacred Heart - In our societies, the Pope writes, "we are also seeing a proliferation of varied forms of religiosity that have nothing to do with a personal relationship with the God of love", while Christianity often forgets "the tender consolations of faith, the joy of serving others, the fervour of personal commitment to mission" (88). In response, Pope Francis proposes a new reflection on the love of Christ represented in His Holy Heart. He calls for a renewal of "authentic devotion" to the Sacred Heart, recalling that in the Heart of Christ "we find the whole Gospel". It is in His Heart that "we truly come at last to know ourselves and we learn to love".

The world seems to have lost its heart - Pope Francis explains that by encountering the love of Christ, "we become capable of forging bonds of fraternity, of recognizing the dignity of each human being, and of working together to care for our common home," noting the relationship between *Dilexit nos* and his social Encyclicals *Laudato si'* and *Fratelli tutti*. And "in the presence of the Heart of Christ," he asks the Lord "to have mercy on this suffering world" and pour upon it "the treasures of His light and love, so that our world, which presses forward despite wars, socio-economic disparities, and uses of technology, that threaten our humanity, may regain the most important and necessary thing of all: the heart".

When announcing the preparation of the document at the end of the General Audience on June 5, the Pope clarified that it would do us great good to meditate on various aspects of the Lord's love, which can illuminate the path of ecclesial renewal, and say something meaningful to a world that seems to have lost its heart." This encyclical comes as celebrations are underway for the 350th anniversary of the first manifestation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1673; the anniversary celebrations will conclude on 27 June 2025.

The importance of returning to the heart - Opening with a brief introduction and divided into five chapters, the Encyclical on the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus incorporates, as announced in June, "the precious reflections of previous Magisterial texts and a long history that goes back to the Sacred Scriptures, in order to re-propose today, to the whole Church, this devotion imbued with spiritual beauty."

The first chapter, "*The Importance of the Heart*," explains why it is necessary to "return to the heart" in a world where we are tempted to become "insatiable consumers and slaves to the mechanisms of the market". It analyzes what we mean by "heart": the Bible speaks of it as a core "that lies hidden beneath all outward appearances", a place where what is shown on the outside or hidden doesn't matter; there, we are truly ourselves. The heart leads to questions that matter: what meaning do I want for my life, my choices, or my actions? Who am I before God? The Pope points out that the current "depreciation" of the heart originated in Hellenic and pre-Christian rationalism, in post-Christian idealism, and in materialism in its various guises" where great philosophical thought prioritized concepts like "reason, will, or freedom."

"The failure to make room for the heart... has resulted in a stunting of the idea of a personal centre, in which love, in the end, is the one reality that can unify all the others", the Pope writes. For Pope Francis, it is important to recognize that "I am my heart, for my heart is what sets me apart, shapes my spiritual identity and puts me in communion with other people".

'The world can change beginning from the heart' - It is the heart that unites the fragments and "makes all authentic bonding possible, since a relationship not shaped by the heart is incapable of overcoming the fragmentation caused by individualism". The spirituality of saints like Ignatius of Loyola (accepting the Lord's friendship is a matter of the heart) and Saint John Henry Newman (the Lord saves us by speaking to our heart from His Sacred Heart) teaches us, writes Pope Francis, that "before the Heart of Jesus, living and present, our mind, enlightened by the Spirit, grows in the understanding of His words". This has social consequences, as "the world can change beginning with the heart". Continue Nov.3'24



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