# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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# 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B



Today's Gospel reports two stories of healing. One story tells us about a father's great love for his dying daughter. The other story tells us about a desperate woman who risks much as she seeks healing from Jesus. In each story, the request for healing is itself a courageous act of faith, and yet very different circumstances are represented by the lives of each suffering person.

Jairus is described as a synagogue official, a man of

considerable standing in the Jewish community. Distraught over his daughter's poor health, he

approaches Jesus and asks him to heal her.

As Jesus leaves with Jairus, Mark describes a second person who seeks healing from Jesus, a woman with a hemorrhage. This woman secretly touches Jesus from behind and is immediately cured. In response, Jesus turns and asks who touched him. Jesus' disciples, always a little clueless in Mark's Gospel, help us envision the scene. The crowds are pushing in on Jesus, and yet he, knowing that power has gone out of him, asks who touched him. The woman could have remained anonymous, yet at Jesus' question she steps forward and acknowledges what she has done. Jesus responds by acknowledging her as a model of faith and sends her away in peace.

At this point, we can imagine Jairus's impatience with Jesus; his daughter is dying and Jesus hasn't helped him yet. As if to build a sense of urgency, messengers suddenly arrive and confirm Jairus's worst fear: his daughter has died. Jesus curiously ignores their message and reassures Jairus. When they arrive at Jairus's home, they find family and friends mourning the girl's death. Jesus enters the room of the dead girl, takes her by the hand, and instructs her to

arise. Jairus's faith in Jesus has not been in vain; his daughter is restored to life.

The contrasts between Jairus and the woman with the hemorrhage are stark and revealing. One is a man, the other is a woman. One is a public official, an important person in the community. The other is a woman who has lost everything to find a cure to a condition that separated her from the community. One approaches Jesus publicly. The other approaches Jesus secretly. Yet in each case, faith leads them to seek out Jesus in their time of need. (loyolapress.com)

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"Lord Jesus, you love each of us individually with a unique and personal love. Touch my life with your saving power, heal and restore me to fullness of life. Help me to give wholly of myself in loving service to others." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

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	9 a.m.	†Gintas Valaitis	(L.Underys)
	11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners	
		special intention	(RLS.Kuliavas)
		†Petras Vaitiekunas and Povilas Vidugiris	(D. Vaitiekunas)
		†Zose Styra	(B.Tamosiunas)
		†Eugenijus Siciunas	(wife)
		†Juozas and Terese Rastapkevicius	(A.K.Ambrozaitis)
		†Liudas Matukas	(G.Matukas)
		requesting grace of health for Veronika Balaisis	
		celebrating her 90th birthday	(M.R. & Balaisis family)
		requesting grace of health for Birute	(JN)
		requesting grace of health for parish priests	(GJ)

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#### THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

MONDAY (June 28): 7 p.m. †Valentinas and Marija Indris (R.Indris); requesting grace of health for Birute (JN);

**TUESDAY** (June 29): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; †Antanas Sivokas (10th anniv.) (R.R.Syvokas);

**WEDNESDAY** (June 30): 7 p.m. †Gintautas Valaitis (30 days) (Juzukonis, Jaglowitz, Vadauskas);

**THURSDAY** (July 1): 7 p.m. †Laimute Onute Kuncaitis (37th anniv.) (A.Kuncaitis);

**FRIDAY** (July 2): 7 p.m. †Albina Laurinaitis (A.T.Palis);

**SATURDAY** (July 3): 9 a.m. †Linas Balaisis (M.R. and Balaisis family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (July 4): 9 a.m. †William Doyle "Bill" (Ruslys family) 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Bronius Matusevicius (family); †Petras Vaitiekunas and Povilas Vidugiris (D.Vaitiekunas); †Birute Cepaitis, Algimantas Banelis, Liudas Radzdevicius (A.G.Valavicius); †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Maryte Skrinskas (GJ); for Senda deceased family members (Senda family).

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#### Collections of June 20th

19 envelopes - \$ 1,028

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All the best to all who are going to Lithuania, cottages or taking vacations at home.

Have a safe, memorable and enjoyable summer.

Lord's blessings.....

#### Dear parishioners,

The imposition of COVID 19 restrictions on churches by the Ontario provincial government remains. All previous precautions 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

The maximum number of Mass participants is currently limited, including priests and those participating in music ministry. As a result, we are temporarily implementing a mandatory registration system for Sunday Masses.

We regret that we may not be able to accommodate everyone who wishes to attend Mass in person. We will only be able to accommodate Mass participants who have pre-registered, and we ask for your patience and understanding.

Please use the link below to register for Mass on Sunday, June 27th.

https://prisikelimoparapija.flocknote.com/signup/61113

When a new window opens, select the Mass you wish to attend and fill in your name and e-mail address. You may register up to three people.

IMPORTANT

\*Please check for a confirmation email after you register; if you don't see one in your inbox (or junk), your registration was not successful.

\*If you register and then realize you will not be able to attend, please cancel your registration to free up the spot for someone else.

Understandably, some of you will not feel 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.

Until we can all safely worship together, let us remain united in prayer.

## Parish's summer plans:

The walls of the church were renewed they were repainted by Aidas and Ernestas Pazera.

SINCERE THANK YOU!

The elevator pit damaged after the previous flood (2014) was repaired for the sum of \$15,000. Also, the parking lot repairs, which will cost \$30,000, will be completed during the summer.



According to the Diocese of Toronto, during the celebration of Canada Day, the parish office will be closed on July 1st and 2nd.

### Pope at Audience: Evangelization requires us to follow unexpected paths

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In the Epistle, noted the Pope, St. Paul makes many biographical references that allow us to understand his conversion and his decision to place his life at the service of Christ. He also touches on important subjects such as freedom, grace, and the Christian way of life – topics that "touch on many aspects of the life of the Church in our times."

The Holy Father highlighted that it is an important and decisive letter, not only for getting to know St. Paul better, but above all, for showing the beauty of the Gospel. St. Paul's work of evangelization

The first feature from the Letter to the Galatians, the Pope pointed out, is the "great work of evangelization" by the Apostle who visited its communities at least twice during his missionary journeys.

Providing some context to the Letter, Pope Francis explained that though it is uncertain which geographical area Paul was referring to, or the date that he wrote the letter, the Galatians were an ancient Celtic population who settled in the extensive region of Anatolia, with Ancyra as its capital (present-day Ankara in Turkey).

In this region, St. Paul relates that he was obliged to stay due to illness, the Pope said. However, St. Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, provides a spiritual motivation, noting that "they went through the region of Phry'gia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the Word in Asia" (Acts 16:6).

Explaining further, the Holy Father said that these two facts are not contradictory as they indicate that "the path of evangelization does not always depend on our will and plans, but requires a willingness to allow ourselves to be shaped and to follow other paths that were not foreseen."

"What we do see," continued the Pope, "is that in his indefatigable work of evangelization, the Apostle succeeded in founding several small communities scattered throughout the region of Galatia."

#### Pastoral concern amid crisis

Pope Francis went on to highlight Paul's pastoral concern, when, after founding the Churches, he discovered that some Christians who had come from Judaism had started to sow theories contrary to his teaching. These Christians argued that even the Gentiles had to be circumcised according to the Mosaic Law, and, by implication, the Galatians would have to renounce their cultural identity in order to submit to the norms and customs of the Jews. On top of that, these adversaries of Paul claimed that Paul was not a true apostle and therefore had no authority to preach the Gospel.

Pope Francis noted the uncertainty that filled the hearts of the Galatians in the midst of this crisis, especially since they had come to know and believe that the salvation brought about by Jesus was the beginning of a new life, in spite of their history that was interwoven with slavery, including that which subjected them to the emperor of Rome.

#### Not far removed from today

Bringing the situation into the present day, Pope Francis remarked the presence of preachers who, especially through the new means of communication, present themselves as "keepers of the truth" on the best way to be Christians, instead of announcing the Gospel of Christ. He lamented that these preachers strongly affirm that the true Christianity is the one that they adhere to – a Christianity that is often identified with the past – and proffer as a solution to the crises of today, a return to the past "so as not to lose the genuineness of the faith."

Today too, as then, the Pope added, "there is a temptation to close oneself up in some of the certainties acquired in past traditions."

Pointing out that the teaching of Apostle Paul in his Letter to the Galatians "will help us to understand which path to follow," the Holy Father underlined that it is the "liberating and evernew path of Jesus, Crucified and Risen."

"It is the path of proclamation, which is achieved through humility and fraternity; it is the path of meek and obedient trust, in the certainty that the Holy Spirit works in the Church in every age," the Pope said.

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