

# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - B



This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus.

In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all. ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com))

"Lord Jesus Christ, you are my King and there is no other. Be the Lord and Master of my heart, mind, body, and soul. May I always seek to do your will and to serve your kingdom above all else." ([dailyscripture.net](http://dailyscripture.net)) †R.R.

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## *The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.*

### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR :

- 9 a.m. requesting grace of health for Riel Torres (O.Torres)  
11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners  
Novena - for deceased souls  
†Eugenijus Siciunas (wife)  
†Antanina Adomonis, Albina Laurinaitis and Irena Petraitis (O.Stoncius)  
†Dana Beresnevicius (B.Tamosiunas)  
†Birute and Jonas (18th anniv.) Danaitis (D.Danaitis)  
†Aldona and Jonas Gudavicius (A.Jurcevicus)  
†Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevicius (family)  
†Mecys and Stase Businskas (Prakapas family)  
†Juozas and Janina Sarunas (Ruta G.)  
†Levute Pevcevicus (R.Simanavicius)  
†Antanina Adomonis (6th anniv.) and Vida Adomonis-Thomes (3rd anniv.) (family)  
†Dr.Julius Puodziukas (17th anniv.) and Elzbieta (10th anniv.) Puodziukas (family)  
for Parish choirs' deceased members

### OFFICE HOURS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

**DECEMBER 24  
OPEN**

**9 A.M. - 12 NOON**

**DECEMBER 25-28  
CLOSED**

**DECEMBER 31  
CLOSED**

**JANUARY 3, 2022  
CLOSED**

## Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Gabriele Navickas, Gintas Pabedinskas

11 AM - Grazina Adie, Danguole Lelis,  
Laima Underis, Julija Danaitis,  
Zibute Janeliunas, Dana Pranaitis,  
Gintas Neimanas, Gintas Neimanas, jr.  
Romos Puteris, Romas Krasauskas,  
Ted Chornomaz, Taras Chornomaz  
**organist** - Ilona Beres

## THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

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

**TUESDAY** (November 23): 7 p.m. Novena; living  
and deceased benefactors;

**WEDNESDAY** (November 24): 7 p.m. Novena;  
†Fr.Kazimieras Kaknevicus (Juozas Kaknevicus'  
family);

**THURSDAY** (November 25): 7 p.m. Novena;  
†Laima Macionis (1st anniv.) (V.Zaleckaite); for  
Benetis' and Ivoskis' deceased family members  
(E.Benetis); †Jonas Savickas (Prakapas family);  
†Stasys Prakapas (G.Slabosevicius); †George Cels  
(D.A.Nausedas); †Liudas Matukas (family);

**FRIDAY** (November 26): 7 p.m. Novena;  
†Leokadija Nevulis (granddaughter Vida);

**SATURDAY** (November 27): 9 a.m. for forgotten  
souls (Prakapas family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor"  
†Jonas Vaskevicius (10th anniv.) (A.Vaskevicius);

**SUNDAY** (November 28): 9 a.m. †Ona Kirvaitis  
(5th anniv.) (family); 11 a.m. Novena - for  
deceased souls; living and deceased parishioners;  
†Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Irena Morkunas and  
Antanina Leparskis (A.Morkunas); †Valentinas  
and Marija Indris (R.Indris); †Teofile Kobelskis  
and Kodis family (children); †Mary Anne Kuslikis  
(1st anniv.) (family); †Mary Anne Kuslikis  
(R.Buksaitis); †Jaime Jacalne (O.Torres); †Stasys  
Prakapas (S.Gruchalla and I.Matus); blessings of  
the Lord for Nijole and her relatives (N.Storyk);  
request grace of health for family (D.Valaitis).

Capital Fund - 323,504

**THANK YOU...**

**"For it is in giving that we receive".**

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

## Collections of November 14th

38 envelopes - \$ 1,495

No envelopes - \$ 65

Direct deposit - \$ 1,005

eTransfer - \$ 1,250

eTransfer (Mass intention) - \$ 145

**THANK you for your generosity**



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

Dear Parishioners,

Contrary to our greatest hopes, COVID 19 remains part of our reality. As we approach Advent and the Christmas season, we are glad to see increasing attendance at Sunday Masses, and we would like to thank you in advance for your continued patience and perseverance in maintaining the health and safety protocols that remain in place. Please:

\*wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) while you are in the church building

\*sanitize your hands upon entering

\*register with the volunteers so that in the unfortunate event of a COVID case we will be able to contact you promptly

\*practice physical distancing while waiting to register, taking seats, and in line for communion

\*follow guidance from the ushers for seating; sit only in marked seats

\*stay at home if you are experiencing cold symptoms.

As difficult as it may be to resist, we also ask that you not congregate in the narthex after Mass. It's wonderful that we can worship as a community, and we hope that soon we will be able to meet for fellowship and coffee in the hall. To ensure that happens as soon as possible, let's say our hellos outdoors for the time being.

Live streaming of Mass from our parish in Lithuanian is continuing Sundays at 11, as well the streaming of English language Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral.

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

## From next Sunday, November 28th

### Plotkeles/Kaledaiciai

will be available in the ParishOffice, Monday-Friday, from 9 am till 2 pm., also on Sundays after Mass.

It is a Lithuanian tradition that when we are seated at the Kucios table, we share this symbol of the living bread – Jesus Christ as He comes into the world.

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Christmas is fast approaching. As we prepare to celebrate, let's remember our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Lithuania. Beginning today, and throughout Advent, **donations to support soup kitchens in Lithuania** will be accepted in the church vestibule.

In the true Christmas spirit, why not consider making a donation instead of buying gifts?

**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@outlook.com](mailto:grazinav2@outlook.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.**

## ATTENTION

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR DONATIONS  
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**A request regarding donor's envelopes** – Please ensure that **all the information** requested on the donor's envelope is **completed**: your first and last name, current address, envelope number (if you are not using a personalized envelope, but a generic one).

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  
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to the Parish.**

**You can donate** to the parish  
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Q: What is the name of the parish?

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Also, you can donate through **banks** -  
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Christmas and the New Year are fast approaching! Have you thought about sending best wishes to your colleagues, friends and loved ones? Once again this year **Tevezib.com** will be featuring a Christmas greeting page on the website, just as we did in the newspaper "Tėviškės žiburiai". Your greeting will be a pleasant surprise for friends and family, and will help sustain our Canadian Lithuanian website. For information go to <https://tevezib.com/lt/kalediniu-sveikinimu-kainorastis> or e-mail [info@tevezib.com](mailto:info@tevezib.com).

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### Pianist Ilona Damasiute - Beres concert

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More information

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### Pope Francis: St Joseph, an example and a witness for our times



Following his catechesis on St Paul's Letter to the Galatians at the Wednesday General Audience, Pope Francis begins a new series of reflections on St Joseph as an example and a witness for our times.

Pope Francis began a new cycle of catecheses on St Joseph at his weekly Audience on Wednesday, explaining that "today, as never before, in this time marked by a global crisis," St Joseph can offer us "support, consolation, and guidance." As the year of St Joseph draws to a close, the Pope said he hoped his reflections might "further help us to allow ourselves to be enlightened by his example and by his witness."

*A man full of faith* - The Holy Father set the stage for his teaching with a reflection on the biblical context of the life of St Joseph. Recalling the figure of Joseph, the son of Jacob, in the Old Testament, Pope Francis noted that the name "Joseph" – Hebrew for "may God increase, may God give growth" – is "a wish, a blessing based on trust in God's providence and referring especially to fertility and raising children." This, he said, "reveals an essential aspect of Joseph of Nazareth's personality. He is a man full of faith in God, in His providence."

Pope Francis went on to consider the places associated with St Joseph, especially Bethlehem and Nazareth, which "assume an important role in our understanding" of the saint.

Bethlehem, he said, means "house of bread" or, in Arabic, "house of meat," both expressions that are full of significances in light of the Incarnation and the Eucharist. Bethlehem also recalls the story of Ruth, the great grandmother of David the king, from whom Joseph traces his descent; as well as the prophecy of Micah, who foretold the coming of the Messiah from Bethlehem.

While Jerusalem was "the city loved by the Lord, the 'holy city'," it was Bethlehem and Nazareth, both outlying villages, "far from the clamour of the news and the powers of the time" that are most associated with Saint Joseph. "The choice of Bethlehem and Nazareth tells us that the periphery and marginality are preferred by God," Pope Francis said. "Failure to take this fact seriously is equivalent to not taking seriously the Gospel and the work of God."

*Going to the peripheries* - Jesus, the Pope emphasized, goes out especially in search of those on the peripheries, not only sinners, but also "those who have done no evil but have suffered it: the sick, the hungry, the poor, the least."

Now, as then, the Pope said, "there is a centre and a periphery" in society; and, as in the time of Jesus, "the Church knows that she is called to proclaim the good news from the periphery." Here St Joseph can be an example, reminding each of us to accord special importance "to what others cast aside." In this sense, the Pope said, St Joseph "is truly a master of the essential: he reminds us that what truly matters does not attract our attention, but requires patient discernment to be discovered and appreciated."

Pope Francis asked us to pray for Joseph's intercession, "that the whole Church might recover this insight," adding, "Let us start again from Bethlehem, let us start again from Nazareth."

And to all those living on the geographical or existential peripheries, the Pope had this message: "May you find in Saint Joseph the witness and protector to whom you can look."

*Prayer to St Joseph* - Concluding his catechesis, Pope Francis offered the following prayer to St Joseph:

Saint Joseph, you who always trusted God, and made your choices guided by His providence teach us not to count so much on our own plans but on His plan of love. You who come from the peripheries help us to convert our gaze and to prefer what the world discards and marginalises. Comfort those who feel alone and support those who work silently to defend life and human dignity. Amen.

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