

CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 15 (3648) April 12th, 2026

2nd SUNDAY of EASTER - A



Do you know the joy of the resurrection? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them he offered proof of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side.

Jesus did something which only love and trust can do. He commissioned his weak and timid apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. He called his first disciples and he now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as he gave his first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, therefore, he breathes on each of us now the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power, joy, and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord.

The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was Thomas. While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. When Thomas finally recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God!

Through the gift of faith we can also proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection.

"Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death, you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection."

Amen.

†R.R.

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.**

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS ARE FOR:

9 a.m.	†Ruta (2nd anniv.) and Stasys (43rd anniv.) Bekeris	(family)
11 a.m.	for living and deceased parishioners for peace in the world	
	†Ona Balsys	(I.Balsys)
	†Tyrune Siciunas (1st anniv.)	(sister-in-law)
	†Kazimiera, Ceslovas and Algimantas Rimkevicius	(RU)
	†sister Mary Louis Brook (37th anniv.)	(I.Matus)
	†Juozas Degutis	(B.B.Degutis)
	†Elena and Viktoras Dailyde	(V.A.Dailyde)
	†Nina Valavicius	(A.G.Valavicius)
	for Kruzikas' living and deceased family members	(A.P.Kruzikas)
	request grace of health for Lina	(R.R.Syvokas)

2026

April 17-18

Spring Rummage Sale

April 26

First Communion

May 31

Confirmation

June 6

Run for Hope

June 14

We welcome summer

Camp Kretinga

July 5-18 (EN.)

July 19 - August 1 (LT.)

October 23-24

Fall Rummage Sale

November 7

Annual Dinner

December (date

TBD)

Advent Retreat

December 13

Christmas Music Evening

December 25

Christmas



Cantors of the Masses:

9 AM - Gintas Pabedinskas

11 AM - Aleksa, Lina, Lile Vadauskas
organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Mass

MONDAY (April 13): 7 p.m. †Sonata Ambrozaityte (GJ); †Ada Lemezys (I.Kavanagh);

TUESDAY (April 14): 7 p.m. for living and deceased benefactors; †Jonas Zaleckas (V.Zaleckaite);

WEDNESDAY (April 15): 7 p.m.;

THURSDAY (April 16): 7 p.m. request grace of health for Elena, Terese and Valentina (friend); †Irena Morkunas (A.Morkunas); †Irena Juskevicius (daughter);

FRIDAY (April 17): 7 p.m. †Vitas Levisauskas (V.V.Prasauskas);

SATURDAY (April 18): 9 a.m. †Dr.Birute Jonys (Prakapas family); †Juozas Morkunas (A.Morkunas); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (April 19): 9 a.m. †Aldona Podsadecki, Grant Bonner, Jennie Vitkunas (D.Bonner); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Eugenijus Cuplinskas (family); †Stase and Rimantas Bartusevicius (O.Stoncius); †Benigna Ragauskienė (12th anniv.) (Liliana and Lina); †Aivaras Zabas (R.J.Balaisis); †Vladas Melnykas (15th anniv.) (family); †Ona Svarinskas (A.Ciaucionas); †Algimantas Syvokas (R.R.Syvokas); †Marija and Vytautas Tamulaitis (V.A.Dailyde); †Irena (5th anniv.) and Darius Petraitis (family); †Maryte Skrinskas (GJ); †Edita Putrimas (friends).

IN MEMORIAM

We bid farewell to our beloved parishioner

†**JOHN INCIURA**, 75

Blessings of the Lord for his family.

May He Rest in the Peace of Christ.

For it is in giving that we receive

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

04.04-05 Easter time Collections

74 envelopes - \$ 4,380

No envelopes - \$ 369

Direct deposit - \$ 3,115

Children's envelopes: Kipras - \$ 10

Renovation fund - \$ 3,160

Holy Land - \$ 2,070

On the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the death of Eugenijus Siciunas, his wife Jurate Siciunas donated to the parish Renovation fund – \$2,500 and to "Hungry in Lithuania" – \$2,500

THANK you for your generosity...

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

SINCERE THANKS to the **Parish's Social Committee** for organizing the Parish Annual Meeting.

Thank you to Genute Kobelskis and her team: Regina Urnieziene, Grazina Adie, Bronėle Prakapas for the delicious food; and Jurate Planciuniene for cleaning.

Thank you to the wonderful KAPELA for the fun music.

Thank you to the Parish Committee and all Committees and groups for their help, love and care of the Parish.

And a **BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** for attending and supporting our beloved parish!

Blessings of the Lord to EVERYONE..

WE THANK THE READERS OF HOLY WEEK –

VILIJAI BIJUNAS, ALDONA BUBULIS,

RUTA GIRDAUSKAS, ANELE JANUSKA,

GRAZINA LAURINAITIS, LAIMA UNDERYS, LINAS

GRYBAS, JURGIS KULIESIUS, ROMAS KRASAUSKAS,

PAULIUS SUKAUSKAS, ROLANDAS SYVOKAS;

**THE MASS SERVERS – MIKAS RUSLYS, NATALIJA SENDA
AND EMILIJA DEGUTIS;**

THE CHILDREN'S, "SVAJA," "OCCASIONAL" CHOIRS,

AND THE SOLOISTS – ANITA PUODZIUNAS,

MONIKA SATKAUSKAS, GINTAS PABEDINSKAS,

**ROMAS PUTERIS, ALEKSA, LINA AND LILE VADAUSKAS –
FOR SINGING AT THE HOLY WEEK;**

THE MUSIC DIRECTOR DALIA VISKONTAS

AND MUSICIANS RUTA MELKIS AND ILONA BERES;

**WE THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING TOGETHER DURING
HOLY WEEK, FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS.**

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES...

THANK YOU -

The Church of the Resurrection would like to thank Dirmantas-Groen in't Woud family preparing materials to make Easter cards and all for participating in writing beautiful and heartfelt Easter greeting cards to our friends living at "Labdara" Nursing home.

Through your love, kindness, and generosity, we as a community of parishioners came together to bring warmth and closeness to those who need it most this Easter holiday.

This Sunday, April 12th, is the last day that our parish "Labdara" committee CONTINUES The FOOD DRIVE in aid of the needy in Toronto. We will continue to collect food in the fall. NON-PERISHABLE Food may be brought and left in the box provided, at the parish door.

Thank you in advance for your kind donations.

TWO REASONS TO CELEBRATE ON APRIL 19TH
PLEASE COME TO 11 AM MASS TO GIVE THANKS ON
THE OCCASION OF THE 20TH ORDINATION
ANNIVERSARY OF FR. JONAS AND FR. AUGUSTINE'S
BIRTHDAY.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AFTER MASS.

ON SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, AFTER MASSES YOU ARE
INVITED TO SIGN OUR GREETING CARDS FOR OUR
PASTORS.

NEXT WEEK

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE APRIL 17-18

Our Labdara Committee cannot invite everyone individually
but **needs everyone** to assist in making this event a success!

Men, women, teens, welcome!

We kindly ask you to come on **Monday, April 13th at 10AM**
to set up the tables,

and on **Tuesday, April 14th 10AM** to gather for the distribution
of items.

ATTENTION:

we will NOT be having a 'CAFE' and will NOT
be selling baked goods BUT will gladly accept
cakes/cookies for our volunteers.

We also ask that you do not bring any USED cosmetics.

We ask you to bring your donations **NO EARLIER** than
Tuesday, April 14th at 10AM!

Some items that DO NOT sell are:

- old radios, computers, encyclopedias,

We ask that you discard these items elsewhere.

We will no longer accept large furniture,
nor will we pick-up or deliver any items.

Teens who volunteer will receive "Community Service" credit.

We ask for your cooperation and **THANK YOU in advance!**

*For other info please contact:

Raminta Nakrosius 416-669-0271;

Dalia Rocca 905-820-3088;

Ramune Stravinskas 416-523-1095.

Call for Artisans and Bakers! Spring Craft Fair and Bake Sale

Join us for a vibrant Craft Fair and Bake Sale on **May 31st, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM** at Anapolis Halls!

We invite **artisans, bakers, makers, and creators** to
showcase and sell their handmade goods and baked
specialties.

* All sales profits belong to you;

* A great opportunity to connect with the community
and share your craft.

To reserve a table, please contact **Vida Kairys by May 15th**
at vidakairys@gmail.com.

We look forward to celebrating creativity
and delectables with you!

CONCERT *SPRING HARMONY*

Rescheduled from **APRIL 26th**

to **OCTOBER 4th, 4:00 PM**

More info ilona.beres@gmail.com or 416-766-9959



2026 CAMP "KRETINGA"

July 5th - 18th **English camp**

July 19th - August 1st **Lithuanian camp**

Registration link [https://form.jotform.com/
camp_kretinga/2026-camp-kretinga-registration](https://form.jotform.com/camp_kretinga/2026-camp-kretinga-registration)

We can't wait to see YOU ALL!

***We sincerely ask for your help.** Every donation,
no matter how big or small, is extremely important
and will contribute to the renovation of these
buildings and the safety of the children.

**We thank you in advance for your kindness, support
and generosity.**

Donations will be collected on Sundays after the
9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses in the church vestibule, or
you may leave them at the office.

**Please make your cheque payable to the Franciscan
Fathers; Memo: Camp "Kretinga."**

TORONTO LITHUANIAN CANADIAN COMMUNITY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE TO BE COLLECTED

Dear Toronto Lithuanians,

We encourage all Lithuanians living in the Greater
Toronto Area to support the Toronto Lithuanian
Canadian Community (Toronto KLB) by paying an
annual \$20 membership fee due by April 30th. This
contribution helps to maintain local community
events and activities.

The membership fee can be paid: *by e-
transfer to torontoklb@gmail.com; or *at either of
the Lithuanian credit unions in Toronto: RCU Credit
Union Account No. 113216-1 (Chequing)
or Parama Credit Union Account No. 443
(Chequing).

It is very important: to ask for your name and
surname to be marked and entered in the
transaction line.

We ask that each member submit their contact
information by completing the following form
(please click on the link to go to the form):

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If unable to connect to the form, please submit your
contact information by email
to torontoklb@gmail.com. Please include your first
and last names, home address with postal code,
phone number and the email address to be used to
contact you.

Thank you for your support!

Toronto Lithuanian Canadian Community board

THANK YOU for donations.

You can donate to the parish and for parish causes through: envelopes; eTransfers (email: resparish@prisikelimas.ca ;

Q: What is the name of the parish?

A: Resurrection; (indicating to whom the donation is addressed) or on the parish site www.prisikelimas.ca/give.

Through banks - RCU and Parama by direct deposit.

PLEASE NOTE: Writing Cheques payable to **Resurrection Parish** in the MEMO: Donation to Parish or Mass.

Writing Cheques payable to **Franciscan Fathers** in the MEMO: Capital Fund, Renovation fund, by bequest, Monastery, Soup kitchen, Camp "Kretinga", Oncology centre Klaipeda, Franciscan Fathers projects in Lithuania.



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