### CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 27 (3397) July 4th, 2021

### 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B





This Gospel immediately follows upon last week's stories of the raising of Jairus's daughter and the healing of the woman with a hemorrhage. It sets the context of our Gospel readings for the next two weeks in which Jesus will extend the work of his ministry to his disciples.

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his

father

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words *brother* and *sister* were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews.

This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus

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This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship. (loyolapress.com)

### Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.

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

9 a.m. †William Doyle "Bill" (Ruslys family)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

†Bronius Matusevicius (family)

†Birute Cepaitis, Algimantas Banelis, Liudas Radzdevicius (A.G. Valavicius)

†Eugenijus Siciunas (wife) †Maryte Skrinskas (GJ)

for Senda deceased family members (Senda family)

†Bronius Saulenas (10th anniv.) (family) for living and deceased friends (GJ)

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Because of COVID-19, Resurrection Parish Office hours for June - July -August

will be 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

#### THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES

**MONDAY** (July 5): 7 p.m. †Natalija Balkuviene (B.Degutis);

**TUESDAY** (July 6): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors; †Gene and Liudas Vysniauskas (I.Kavanagh); †Janis and Arturs Dubrovskis (V.Dubrovskis);

**WEDNESDAY** (July 7): 7 p.m. †Veronika Zaleckiene (V.Zaleckaite);

**THURSDAY** (July 8): 7 p.m. †Marcele, Jonas, Algimantas and Onute Valaitis (G.Mickevicius); †Leo and Teresa Pereira (family);

**FRIDAY** (July 9): 7 p.m. †Juozas Dziminskas (M.R. and Balaisis family);

**SATURDAY** (July 10): 9 a.m. †Zita and Jonas Didzbalis (family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

**SUNDAY** (July 11): 9 a.m. †Aldona Rygelis (V.Vingelis); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Vladas Radavicius (Stanevicius); †Leonas Baziliauskas (10th anniv.) (family); in thanksgiving (A.Jurcevicius); †Rama Kalendra (2nd anniv.) (Cuplinskas family); †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); †Ona Grigaravicius (family); †Ona Kuliesius (7th anniv.) (R.J.Kuliesius); blessings of the Lord and requesting grace of health for Domukas and his parents (IP).

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G.R.Petrauskas donated to the parish \$ 1,000

"PARAMA" donated to the parish \$ 2,000

THANK you for your generosity

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**MONDAY** (July 12): 7 p.m. †Brone Greiciunas (1st anniv.) (family);

**TUESDAY** (July 13): 7 p.m. living and deceased benefactors:

**WEDNESDAY** (July 14): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (J.R.Kuliesius);

**THURSDAY** (July 15): 7 p.m. †Karolina and Jonas Broga (M.R. and Balaisis family);

**FRIDAY** (July 16): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (GJ);

**SATURDAY** (July 17): 9 a.m. for Balaisis deceased family members (M.R. and Balaisis family); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

**SUNDAY** (July 18): 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Ona Dackus and Genute Simkusę (GJ); †Bronius Tamosiunas (19th anniv.) (B.Tamosiunas); †Eugenijus Siciunas (wife); Irena Smolskis (3rd anniv.) (R.R.Smolskis); †Leonas and Terese Lorencas (A.K.Ambrozaitis); blessings of the Lord and requesting grace of health for Domukas and his parents (IP); †Gene and Romas Simkus and Kristana Simkus-Sukauskas (L.D.Laurinavicius).

#### Dear Parishioners,

In light of declining COVID case numbers in Toronto and around, we are very pleased that the Province of Ontario has reduced restrictions on religious services. From July 1st, Mass participation is increased to 25% of capacity. For our parish that means there may be 75 participants at Mass, 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 church

\*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.

All are invited to partake in the Sunday Eucharistic celebration at

Camp Kretinga on July 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th at 11:00 am.

July 18 Mass intention will be in Thanksgiving for Camp Kretinga.

The Mass will be celebrated by the Cross in the Flag area underneath the Oak tree.

Coffee will be served after Mass.

All participants will need to register and wear a face mask.

### CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

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This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and

his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavour. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

### Lord, let us see your kindness.

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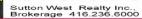


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