# CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 30 (3610) July 27th, 2025 17th Sunday in Ordinary time - C



2025

Camp Kretinga

July 20 - August 2 (Lith.)

October 24-25

Fall Rummage Sale

November 8

Annual Dinner

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**MOZAIKA** 

A Silent Art Auction

**December** (date TBD)

Advent Retreat

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Luke gives more attention to Jesus' teachings on prayer than any other Gospel writer. He also mentions Jesus at prayer more than the others. In today's reading, from the beginning of Chapter 11 of his Gospel, Luke presents the core of Jesus' teaching on prayer. It consists of Jesus teaching a prayer to his disciples, a parable on the persistent neighbour, and assurances that God hears

our prayers.

The disciples notice Jesus praying "in a certain place." They ask him to teach them to pray just as John the Baptist had taught his disciples. Jesus teaches them a simple version of the most famous Christian prayer, the Our Father, or the Lord's Prayer. Matthew's version shows signs of being shaped by public prayer. Luke's version is probably closer to the original form that Jesus taught. Luke's version seems simple and direct. We pray that God's name will be recognized as holy and that his rule over all will be established. This is followed by petitions for our needs for bread, for forgiveness, and for deliverance. Luke uses the more theological language of "sins" rather than "debts," which is used in Matthew's version.

Having taught his disciples a simple, daily prayer, Jesus goes on to reassure them that God answers prayers. First he tells a parable about a persistent neighbour who asks a friend for bread at midnight. The friend is already in bed and has no desire to disturb his family by opening the door. But because the neighbour is persistent, the sleeping man gets up and gives him all that he needs. If a neighbour is willing to help us if we are persistent enough, how could God not respond to our requests?

This teaching concludes with the reminder that if we seek, we will get a response. If a human father, with all his faults, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will our heavenly Father give us? Instead of good gifts, however, Luke substitutes the word Holy Spirit. This foreshadows the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is central to Luke's theology and who will play an important role in the growth of the early Church after Pentecost.

The parable and the concluding teaching in this section should not lead us to think of prayer as a series of requests presented to God. Rather, as Jesus teaches in his model prayer, prayer consists in recognizing God's holiness and his rule over all things. (loyolapress.com) †R.R.

# Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

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

9 a.m. †Michael Brough (D.Pranaitis)

11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners

for peace in the world

request grace of health for Onute (VDG)

(Stanevicius family)

†Elena Simaitis

†Irena and Vincas Ignaitis (family) †Marceius and Stefa Meskauskas (I.Stanaitis)

(daughter and family) †Birute Koncius

†Liudmila Sukauskas (family)

†Liudas Matukas (family)

thanksgiving intention to Mary of Siluva (R.J.Karasiejus)

in thanksgiving (0.Dirmantas)

request grace of health for Aleksas (GK) Parish office hours

June - October

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 2 pm.

> Friday 9 a.m. - i pm.

August 4 - closed September 1 - closed

#### Cantors of the Masses: organist - Ilona Beres

The week's Holy Masses; July 28 - August 3 MONDAY (July 28): 7 p.m. †Valentinas and Maria Indris (R.Indris);

**TUESDAY** (July 29): for living and deceased benefactors;

**WEDNESDAY** (July 30): 7 p.m. special intention (NN); in thanksgiving (JMC);

THURSDAY (July 31): 7 p.m.;

**FRIDAY** (August 1): 7 p.m. in thanksgiving (GJ); †Peter Mathew (M.Mathew);

**SATURDAY** (August 2): 9 a.m. †Virgilijus Pranevicius (V.Zaleckaite); †Edmundas Urniezius (RU); 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

SUNDAY (August 3): 9 a.m. †Michael Brough (L.S.Hillgrove); 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Marija and Bronius Matusevicius (I.Matus); in thanksgiving (I.Matus); for Bespasparis' and Kazlauskas' deceased family members (B.Kazlauskas); †Roman Jakubczyk (Margarita and family); †Julius Nevulis (O.Dirmantas); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

#### The week's Holy Masses; August 4 - 10

MONDAY (August 4): 7 p.m.;

**TUESDAY** (August 5): for living and deceased benefactors; †Stasys Prakapas (family);

**WEDNESDAY** (August 6): 7 p.m. †Zita and Jonas Didzbalis (family);

**THURSDAY** (August 7): 7 p.m. †Kazys and Veronica Kartavicius (Buozis family); †Magdalena Neverauskas (1st anniv.) (V.Neverauskas);

**FRIDAY** (August 8): 7 p.m. †Irena and Henrikas Matusaitis (R.J.Balaisis);

**SATURDAY** (August 9): 9 a.m.; 5 p.m. "Vilnius Manor";

**SUNDAY** (August 10): 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. for living and deceased parishioners; †Laima Butenas (30th anniv.) (Maryte and family); for Baranauskas' deceased family members (R.J.Kuliesius); for Jasionis' deceased family members (M.Hagedorn); request grace of health for Danute Suziedelis (O.Dirmantas); request grace of health for Aleksas (GK).

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

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (07.13) Collection

30 envelopes - \$ 945 No envelopes - \$ 100.20 Direct deposit - \$ 1,085

Sunday (07.20) & "Vilnius Manor" Collections

31 envelopes - \$ 950 No envelopes - \$ 91.50 Direct deposit - \$ 1,210

In memory of Stasys Prakapas, family donated \$500 for the Renovation fund.

THANK you for your generosity...

#### 2025 Lithuanian speaking Camp "Kretinga".

There are 87 campers from GTA and surrounding areas as well as Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver.

There are 28 Counsellors - 9 of which are from Lithuania and will be staying for both camps.

Camp Kretinga's chaplain is Fr. Alvydas Virbalis, ofm;

The Head Counsellor is Dominykas Guzauskas; Music director is Dana Biskys;

Our RN nurses are - Vicki Vingelis
and Judita Gabrys;





Groundskeepers Wally Dauginis and Arnas Jankauskas; Night Guard Lukas Ashley;

Cooks - Ina Gutauskas, Regina Murza, Gailius Skrinskas, Lisa Utz, Indre Patkaciunas, Edita Cerniauskas, Grazina Adie, Andrius Parnavas.





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We are sincerely grateful for the generous donations from the generous donors which include the parents and silent supporters of camp as well as KLF, RCU, Parama and the Lithuanian Educational Fund.







#### Saturday, November 29 A Silent Art Auction

in x of the Resurrection Parish Capital Fund To donate original paintings, sculptures and ceramics please contact: <a href="mailto:raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com">raminta.nakrosius@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:rygelisruta@gmail.com">rygelisruta@gmail.com</a>

## CHURCH of the RESURRECTION NEWS

Nr. 31 (3611) August 3rd, 2025 18th Sunday in Ordinary time - C





In Chapter 12 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples and the crowd on how to be ready for the coming judgment. A crowd of many thousands has gathered to hear Jesus. At first he speaks only to the disciples, reminding them that it is not persecution they should fear but the judgment that is coming for all who do not acknowledge the Son of Man. Suddenly a

man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." He seems to have grown tired of Jesus speaking only to the disciples. Jesus offers the man no help. Instead he uses the question to teach what, in light of the coming judgment, life really consist of.

Jesus tells the crowd a parable. A rich man's lands have yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share all the extra food with others but to wonder how he can possibly store it all. He has what he thinks is a brilliant idea: to tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

"You fool" is God's response to this man because that very night his life will be taken away. To whom will everything belong then, God asks. The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now? Jesus states the moral of the story. This is how it will be for everyone who stores up treasure for himself or herself but is not rich in what matters to God.

Centuries later St. Gregory the Great taught that when we care for the needs of the poor, we are giving them what is theirs, not ours. We are not just performing works of mercy; we are paying a debt of justice. Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing what we possess with others. The goods of the earth have been given to everyone. (<u>loyolapress.com</u>)

"Lord Jesus, free my heart from all possessiveness and from coveting what belongs to another. May I desire you alone as the one true treasure worth possessing above all else. Help me to make good use of the material blessings you give me that I may use them generously for your glory and for the good of others." (dailyscripture.net) †R.R.

# O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

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