



**UPCOMING EVENTS:****Sun., June 5, after 9 a.m. Mass**

**Knights of Lithuania, C-17 meeting**  
in the Church hall.

**Sun., June 5, during 10:30 a.m. Mass**

First Holy Communion – St. Peter Lithuanian Parish  
*Sekmadienj. birželio 5 d. per 10.30 v.r. Mišias*  
*Šv. Petro parapijos pirmoji komunija*

**Sun., June 12<sup>th</sup>, Baisiojo birželio paminėjimas**

Mišios: 10:30 v.r.; po mišių, minėjimas bažnyčios salėje.  
Organizuoja šv. Petro parapija ir Lietuvių Bendruomenės  
Bostono apylinkė

**Sun., June 12, after 10:30 Mass**

**Commemoration of the “Tragic Days of June:  
Soviet Genocide in Lithuania”**

*We congratulate Fr. Lukas  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination  
Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>!*



*Sveikiname kleboną švenčiant 19 m.  
kunigystės birželio 13 d.!*

**25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Mass**

Seán Cardinal O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap. invites all couples of the Archdiocese of Boston celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2011 to the Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am. Mass will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends as well as the general public are welcome to attend. Congratulations on your anniversary!

Have you made plans for the Monday evenings of June? Professor Celia Sirois of the Master of Arts in Ministry Program at St. John's Seminary, is offering a series of seminars "Women in the Old and New Testaments." For more information visit [www.sjs.edu](http://www.sjs.edu) or call 617-779-4104 x2. The classes will be held at 149 Washington St., Brighton from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the former St. Gabriel's Parish school building. There is plenty of parking behind the school. This series is offered at no cost, but please register online at [www.sjs.edu](http://www.sjs.edu).

**Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Day of Remembrance & Prayer for tens of thousands of Lithuanians victims of Soviet genocide. Innocent men, women, children - laity, nuns, priests, suffered the horrors of mass arrests, torture, executions, deportations to slave labor camps in Siberia --*  
*Beginning June 1941 - 1st occupation of Lithuania by Soviet Communism, resuming in 1944 - the 2nd occupation and continuing until 1950.*

**BAISIŲJŲ BIRŽELIO ĮVYKIŲ**

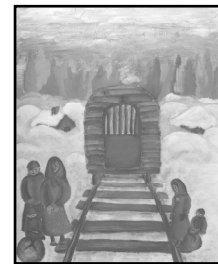
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**MINĖJIMAS**

*birželio 12 d.*

*10:30 v.r. šv. Mišios*

*Po Mišių minėjimas - parapijos salėje.  
Rengia šv. Petro bažnyčia ir Lietuvių  
Bendruomenės Bostono Apylinkė*



*Mažvydė Švegždaitė, dail.*

**10:30 a.m. MASS**

After Mass, Commemoration in Church hall  
**Commemoration is sponsored together with the  
Lithuanian American Community, Boston chapter**

Congratulations to the following students who will receive First Communion on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please keep them and their families in prayer as they prepare.

**Gabrielius Bazikas  
Marija Bistraitė  
Jonas Navickas  
Saulė Zapraskyte**



***Masses offered by Msgr. Contons at the Abbey:  
Prel. Kontautas atlaiko Mišias koplyčioj Marshfield:***

*Gaputis, Strocksis, Markuns, Genevich families [L. Gaputis]*  
*A. Gaputis & Anthony Jr. [L. Gaputis]*  
*Marcelė Trinavech [broliis Vincentas]*  
*Joan Kleponis [family]*

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Our church is participating in a **Baby Bottle Campaign for A Woman's Concern**. There are baby bottles to take home, fill with your donation, and **return on June 26**. Last year, A Woman's Concern ministered to over 2000 women who were involved in a crisis pregnancy. Services that they provide at no cost, because of the generosity of many, include pregnancy tests, ultrasound exams, medical consultations, parenting and adoption preparation, on-going friendship and long-term practical support.

*Mūsų parapija dalyvauja **Bonkutės Vajuje, kuri organizuoja A Woman's Concern**. Prašom parsinešti bonkute, pripildyti su savo auka, ir grąžinti birž. 26 d. Pernai, A Woman's Concern padėjo virš 2000 moterim kurios buvo neštumo krizėje. Pagalbą kurią suteikė nemokamai apėmė pastojimo patikrinimai, ultragarso patikrinimai, sveikatos konsultavimai, auklėjimo ir įvaikinimo paruošimai, draugystę ir morališką paramą, bei praktiniams reikalams paramą.*

Children Are  
A Blessing  
From the LORD



A Gift  
for LIFE

The Future  
IS in Our Hands



Lithuanian American Community  
JAV LB Bostono apylinkė  
and  
ir  
St. Peter Lithuanian Parish  
Šv. Petro parapija

**present**

Sekm., spalio 16-tą d., Montrealio lietuvių choras atvyksta pas mus koncertuoti. Koncertas prasidės su šv. Mišiom, 10:30 ir užsibaigs su *Requiem*, parašyta Montrealio choro vadovo Aleksandro Stankevičiaus.

**Montrealio choras pakvietė Bostono choristus kartu su jais giedoti *Requiem*.**

Jei norite kartu su mumis išmokti *Requiem*, tai kviečiam ateiti į pirmą repeticiją, sekm., birž. 5-tą. 12:30. Turime kiekvieno balso įrekordavimą kad būtų lengviau išmokti.

Norint daugiau informacijos, prašome susisiekti su Daiva Navickiene.

### **Montreal Lithuanian Choir**

On Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2011, the Montreal Lithuanian Choir with musical director and composer Alexandre Stanké (Stankevicus) will be performing in our church. This special musical event will begin with 10:30 Mass and conclude with a performance of Alexandre Stanké's *Requiem*- for 4 soloists and chorus. Since its premiere in Montreal, the *Requiem* has been performed in Toronto, and most recently in Los Angeles.

**As a special treat, they have invited Boston singers to join them in performing the *Requiem*.**

**If anyone would like to join us in learning the *Requiem* (it is in Latin), we will be rehearsing during the summer. Our initial meeting will be on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 in the parish hall.**

**We have CD recordings of each part to help with the learning process.**

**Please contact Daiva Navickas for more info.**

Dear Parishioners and Extended Family Members of St. Peter Lithuanian Parish,

Garbė Jėzui Kristui! Praised be Jesus Christ! I write you this month about the shortage of priests and of growing parish expenses.

I first wrote you about the subject of the declining number of priests in the October, 2008 bulletin. Since then, the situation in South Boston has changed very little. This does not mean it will continue to be the case. Two pastors in South Boston are approaching their term-limit as pastor. Also, two are over 70 years old. What is happening throughout the Archdiocese is the more efficient use of priests. I will eventually be given the responsibility of another parish or parishes.

The biggest implication is my availability. The bigger / more active a parish, the more it will have the attention of the priest. Smaller / less active parishes will have to conform their schedules to the bigger / more active ones. Mass schedules will therefore be made more efficient and manageable, considering other parishes and what they offer, especially if Masses are scheduled at the same time. The standard for scheduling Masses is that the church should be at least one-half full to warrant scheduling a Mass. Our church's capacity is 366. One-half would then be 183. This will be more strictly adhered to as the number of priests, especially in South Boston, decreases. Presently, in the Archdiocese of Boston, there are 321 priests serving its 291 parishes. The present requirement for a priest being assigned to a parish is 1,600 parishioners attending Mass on the weekend and / or 180 sacraments celebrated annually.

In light of these facts, the pastors and representatives of the parishes of South Boston have been meeting. Yours truly has been in charge of making sure these meetings take place. The purpose is to help us, the parishes of South Boston, to get better acquainted and plan for the days approaching when a single parish will not be able to remain viable without working with each other. A point was made that while we are proclaiming "Catholics Come Home", do we even know our neighboring parish and parishioners?

Some of you may be thinking by now, "But we are an ethnic parish, not territorial." My response would be: Yes, this is true. However, based on the number of priests and the number of Lithuanians participating in the life of our parish, it will one day be decided that I will serve the Archdiocese best in an expanded role. Once that happens, my attention will necessarily be divided in proportion to the sacramental activity of the particular parish. How much attention the Lithuanian community will have will be proportion to the degree the community involves itself in the life of the parish both collectively and individually. Please keep in mind that administration of the parish and maybe even its finances will be significantly altered once this happens as well.

Please keep this process, as well as an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, in your prayers. Please feel free to address any questions or concerns you have with me.

Dėkingai Jūsų Kristuje (Gratefully yours in Christ),

Fr. Stephen Zukas