



Lithuanian Apostolate

St. Elizabeth Rectory

350 Reedsdale Road

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May Newsletter 2018

Weekend Lithuanian Mass Sundays 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter Lithuanian Parish, 75 Flaherty Way, So. Boston, MA

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MASS INTENTIONS / Mišių intencijos - gegužė/ May 2018

Sa 5/5 5 pm Anthony (Bud) Zaremba {Rima Cibas}
 Su 5/6 9 am Raymond Žičkus [wife Nancy]
 11:00 am Antanas Navickas (23 m.) [D. Navickienė]

Sa 5/12 5 pm Povilas ir Elena Žičkus {family}
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Su 5/13 - 9 am Elizabeth Puras, 11 yr anniv [family]
 11 am Gyvieji ir mirusieji parapijiečiai

Sa 5/19 - 5 pm Helen Pavia
 Su 5/20 9 am Ann Marie Davis
 - 11:00 am Bostono lituanistinė mokykla [BLŠM]

Sa 5/26- 5 pm Souls In Purgatory [Ann Kleponis]
 Su 5/27 - 9 am Valerija Aukštikalnienė [Olevitz family]
 11 am Gyvieji ir mirusieji parapijiečiai

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 6th

11:00 am Mass – Msgr.

Contons will be celebrating Mass
The date also commemorates his
**70th anniversary of
priesthood.** Congratulations
during kavute. Please join us.

Sunday, May 13th

after 11 am Mass during coffee hour

(kavute) Until we meet again...

farewell to Rev. Gerald Souza

All are invited!

Sunday, May 20th

11:00 am Mass – Boston Lithuanian
School end of school year and
graduation

Msgr. Contons will offer Masses at the Regina Cleri chapel
Prel. Kontautas atlaikys šv. Mišias Regina Cleri koplyčioje
 Veronika & Juozapas Daleckai [A. Povilavičienė]
 Benediktas Povilavičius [žmona]

Fr. Curran will offer monthly Masses privately for:
Kun. Curran atlaikys šv. Mišias kas mėn. privačiai šiom intencijom:
 Stasys Venckus [šeima]
 Danutė Venkutė [šeima]

Keliaujantis kryžius bus mūsų
 bažnyčioje nuo geg. 8 – geg. 22 dd.
 paskui keliaus į Kennebunkport pas
 pranciškonus.

A representative traveling cross will be
 displayed in St. Peter church from
 May 8 – 22. It will then continue on
 to the Franciscan Monastery in
 Kennebunkport, ME.



JAV LIETUVIŲ KRYŽIUS KRYŽIŲ KALNE
 Skirta Lietuvos Valstybės Atkūrimo 100-mečiui.

2018 metais liepos mėn. 7 d. Lietuvoje,
 Kryžių Kalne,
 bus pastatytas ir iškilmingai pašventintas JAV lietuvių katalikų kryžius.
 Kryžiaus pastatymo intencija
PADEKA IR VILTIS!

Nuo 2017 m. birželio mėn. iki 2018 m. liepos mėnesio
 keliaujantis kryžius aplankys 15 JAV lietuvių katalikų parapijų,
 kuriame pavaizduotas ant kryžiaus
 augantis gintaro lapelių medis ir viena rožinio dalis:
 medis - tai mūsų tvirtas tikėjimas,
 lapeliai - tai mūsų lietuviškos parapijos,
 rožinis - esame Marijos žemės vaikai,
 kryžius - Jėzuse mūsų viltis.

Šis kryžius tesuteiks mus padėkos maldai už Lietuvos laisvę
 ir šventai tikėjimą, testiprins viltį,
 kad Lietuva bus laisva ir gyva per amžius.

Broliai ir seserys, JAV lietuvių-
 Kryžių Kalne, tautos šventovėje,
 pastatykite mūsų visų Padėkos ir Vilties kryžiumi.
 Dėl kryžiaus pastatymo projekto
 visose JAV katalikų parapijose
 bus renkamos laisvanoriškos aukos.

Asmeninius čekius taip pat galite siųsti
 adresu:
 Divine Providence Lithuanian Church,
 25335 W 9 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48033
 (memo - JAV lietuvių Kryžius)

**JAV LIETUVIŲ
 KUNIGŲ VIENYBĖ**

Dear Parishioners and Extended Family Members,

Praised be Jesus Christ! He is risen! Truly, He has Risen!

By now, I am sure of the news that I have been reassigned has spread. After 17 years as your pastor and 20 years of celebrating Sunday Lithuanian Mass, Cardinal Sean is sending me to St. Edward the Confessor Parish, Medfield and St. Jude Parish, Norfolk. This is a direct appointment from Cardinal Sean. As you know, the two choices I made on my preference sheet (dream sheet) were Milton and South Boston. In light of this, I tell people that it was not my idea to take off, but I like where I am landing. The absolute number one reason for this is that I will remain close to my father. As he gets along in years, this is important.

Many of you have shared your dissatisfaction with this news. I understand why you would feel this way, especially considering your familiarity with me. I would like to gently remind you that between Monsignor Contons and myself, you have had one of us celebrating Lithuanian Mass for you for the last 39 years. This is an incredible, especially given the facts of not only the decrease in the number of priests during this time, but also the decrease in the number of Catholics attending weekly Sunday Mass. As the Archdiocese seeks to address both of these facts facing the Church today, it is trying to get the most out of its limited resources. In this case, it is the priests of the Archdiocese. For the first time since probably horse and buggy days, there are now less priests assigned to parishes than there are parishes. The Archdiocese has a lot of confidence in Fr. Peter DeFazio. I ask that you give him a chance and embrace him like you did Fr. Gerry Souza.

I also would like to mention that your identity as a parish community should not lie squarely on my shoulders. While it will not be the same, you will still be given the opportunity to read and sing as an expression of your faith in the context of Lithuanian traditions and culture. You are too strong of a parish community to allow this change to deter you to the point of endangering its very existence. Please be open to this change and do your best to sit down with Fr. Peter to make the best and the most of it.

Finally, many of you have been inquiring about my future involvement. Presently, I am not able to say with certainty. In my new situation, there will be eight weekend Masses. There is one other priest assigned to the parish. There were two priests that helped out with two of the Masses. One has stopped. The other will only take Masses that do not help my availability for St. Peter's. My hope is to find another priest who would be open to taking a Mass that will allow me to make the trip to St. Peter's.

In the midst of all of this, please remain a people of prayer. Change is never easy. God's love, mercy, and compassion is always constant. In the meantime, let us make the most of the month we still have together.

Nuoširdžiai Jūsų Kristuje (Sincerely yours in Christ),

Fr. Steve



Beautiful and informative DVD about St. Peter Lithuanian church.
Narrated by Msgr. Contons
Professionally photographed and edited.
2006, J.E. Fleming producer.
approx. 20 min. long
Get your copy - \$15. (Shipping and mailing charges will be added).
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