

Rosburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District

Український католицько-пастирський округ Росберн

*Serving the communities of
Rosburn, Russell, Oakburn, Shoal Lake, Sandy Lake,
Mountain Road, Olha, Dolyny, Angusville, Lakedale,
Ruthenia, Rosburn Farms, Seech & Birtle*

March 2023 Parish Bulletin

Busyness all around us!

February was a very busy month here in the district and it will continue to be busy here in March! Throughout February we had everything from a major feast day, multiple days of fasting, the first week of Lent, a couple of funerals and even a fun trivia night! In March we look forward to a number of Lenten services continuing throughout the weekdays of Lent as well as a one of the 12 great feasts of our Church: the Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos. I encourage our entire district to come out to Sandy Lake on March 25th to celebrate this feast



which is a day of obligation meaning that you should do everything in your power to attend church that day! We of course also look forward to welcoming Bishop Andriy for our lenten mission being held in most of our main parishes throughout the weekend of March 9-13.

I would like to take a moment to express my thanks to all those who supported our first Trivia Night in Rosburn. It was met with great success and we look forward to hosting more in the future!

Lastly, watch later on in March for our Holy Week & Paschal schedule to be released. You'll find a little info in our events page in this bulletin!

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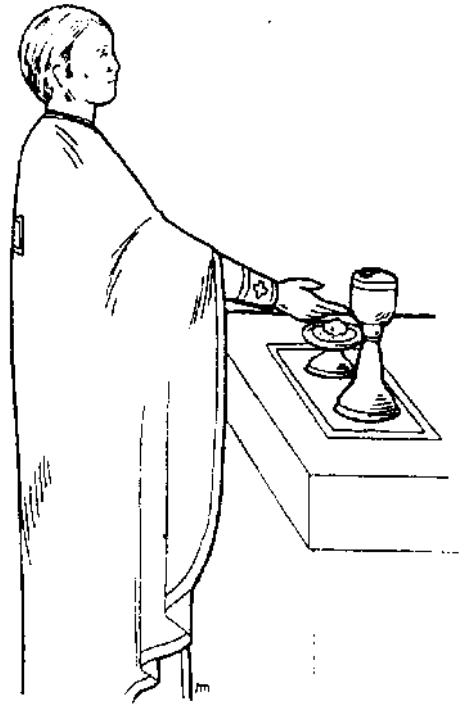
Catechesis Corner

Our next series in Catechesis Corner will be focusing on the Divine Liturgy and what it all means through the various elements of the service. These reflections are taken from the book titled, "Serve the Lord with Gladness" by a Monk of the Eastern Church. Our hope is that we grow in our understanding and appreciation of the Divine Liturgy and that these reflections will help us to pray better.

Thanksgiving: Part II

Now, by the words of the priest, the liturgy specifies the visible form by which that Gift of Love has been made manifest among us. The words of the Savior will be repeated: words He spoke "in the night in which He was betrayed, or rather gave Himself up for the life of the world." Listen to these words once again: "Take, eat. This is my Body which is broken for you for the forgiveness of sins... Drink of it, all of you. This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is poured out for you and for the multitude, for the forgiveness of sins."

Each one of these words should be carefully considered within our heart. "Take": this is something other than "receive." It really amounts to a "sacred boldness" that allows us to draw near and with sinful hands, to "take." What is it that we take? "My Body... My Blood." These words are Spirit and Life. We do not receive them as the expression of some sort of sacramental materialism. Nor do we find in them a purely "symbolic" expression, a metaphor or simple sign. We receive them rather as the self-realizing declaration of an invisible Presence - thoroughly real, living and active - of the Body and Blood of our Savior. This bread is a Body which is "broken"; this wine is Blood which is "shed." Our liturgy, like the Lord's Supper in the Upper Room, is an invitation to participate, as fully as we are able, in the immolation of our Lord's Body and the outpouring of His Blood. We are called to offer ourselves, to allow ourselves to be broken, and our life to be "poured out." For, as we stressed earlier, the Eucharist is a mystery of love; and we know from the Gospel that there is no greater love than to give our life for those we love.



"For you..." The Body of the Lord is broken for me. The Blood of the Lord is shed for me. To avoid weakening Christ's declaration into some sort of general affirmation, it is well for us to perceive just how deeply personal it is, how much it concerns each one of us in particular. At this very moment the Savior is telling me that He has died for me, that He is truly the Paschal Lamb who takes upon Himself all of my sins. Do I sense the power and breadth of divine forgiveness? Do I experience myself as purified, cleansed by the Blood of the Redeemer?

Vibrant Parish

Lenten Parish Mission

We welcome our new auxiliary bishop, His Excellency, Bishop Andriy to our pastoral district for this year's parish mission for Great Lent.

THURSDAY

Mar. 9 | 7PM

**SANDY LAKE
AKATHIST**

FRIDAY

Mar. 10 | 6PM

**ROSSBURN
PRE-SANCTIFIED**

SATURDAY

Mar. 11 | 10:30AM

**MTN. ROAD
DIV. LITURGY**

SUNDAY

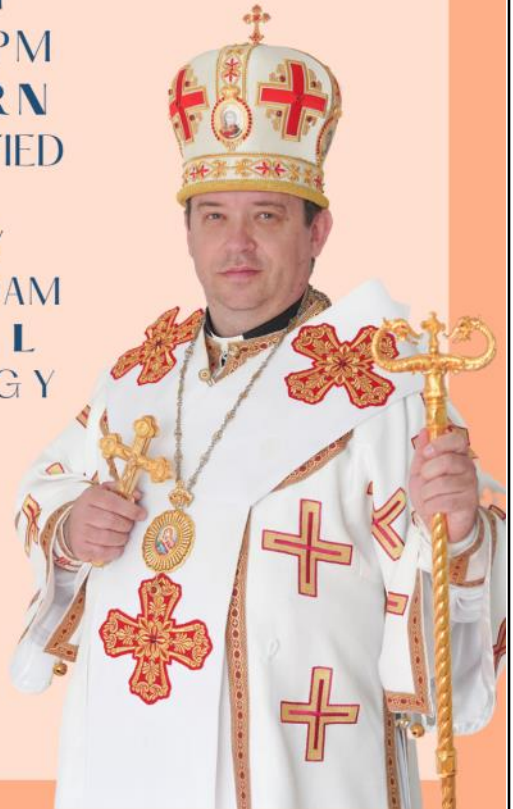
Mar. 12 | 11:30AM

**RUSSELL
DIV. LITURGY**

MONDAY

Mar. 13 | 6PM









**SHOAL LAKE
AKATHIST**















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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
<p>MAJOR FEASTS THIS MONTH: March 25: Feast of the Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos (holy day of obligation)</p>		<p>FASTING DAYS THIS MONTH: Mon; Wed; Fri.: regular day of fasting (meat)</p>	
<p>5 2nd Sun./Gregory of Palamas 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Rosburn with fellowship</p>	<p>6 </p>	<p>7 Shoal Lake PCH 10:00am</p>	<p>8  Rosburn PC Stations of 6:00pm -</p>
<p>12 3rd Sun./Ven. of the Cross 9:00am - Oakburn 11:30am - Russell with fellowship & Parish Mission</p>	<p>13  Parish Mission 6:30pm - Shoal Lake</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15  Stations of 6:00pm - Ros</p>
<p>19 4th Sun./John Climacus 9:00am - Rosburn 11:30am - Shoal Lake with fellowship</p>	<p>20 </p>	<p>21 Lenten Matins 10:00am</p>	<p>22  Russell PC Stations of 6:00pm - Ros</p>
<p>26 5th Sun./Mary of Egypt 9:00am - Russell 11:30am - Oakburn with fellowship</p>	<p>27 </p>	<p>28 Lenten Matins 10:00am</p>	<p>29  Stations of 6:00pm -</p>

MARCH 2023

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 1 CH - 10:30am of the Cross Rosssburn	2 Lenten Matins 10:00am All-Parish AGM 7:00pm - Rosssburn	3  Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 6:00pm - Russell	4
 of the Cross Rosssburn	9 Lenten Matins 10:00am Parish Mission 6:30pm - Sandy Lake	10  Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts & Parish Mission 6:00pm - Rosssburn	11 10:30am - Mountain Road with Parish Mission 3pm - DL for +Alice Hrubeniuk by Henry & Phyllis
 of the Cross Rosssburn/Oakburn	16 Lenten Matins 10:00am	17  Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 6:00pm - Russell	18
 CH - 10am of the Cross Rosssburn/Russell	23 Lenten Matins 10:00am Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew	24  Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts +Harry Spitula (10 yrs) By Family 6:00pm - Rosssburn	25 <i>Feast of the Annunciation</i> 10:30am - Sandy Lake with Baptism of Emma Wozney & Sorokousty
 of the Cross Rosssburn	30 Lenten Matins 10:00am	31  Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 6:00pm - Russell	

Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of March

Feb. 27 - Mar. 3

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

March 6 - 10

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

March 13 - 17

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

March 20 - 24

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

ALL-PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend our All-Parish AGM that will be held on March 2nd at 7pm in Rossburn at the Sacred Heart Parish basement.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held weekly during the month of March on Wednesday evenings at Sacred Heart Parish in Rossburn. Parishioners from across the district are all invited to attend.

Fr. Jay will be in Oakburn on Mar. 15 & Russell on Mar. 22 for Stations & Confessions.



On behalf of the entire Rossburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District and neighbouring Neepawa District, we wish to extend our deepest condolences to the family and friends of those who have passed away in our districts over the last month.

Phyllis Tutkaluk (Oakburn/Shoal Lake) - February 5

John Ryshytylo (Rossburn) - February 6

Bill Kalyniak (Russell) - February 25

We extend our prayers as a community for all those who have passed.

Eternal Memory - Вічна Пам'ять!

Upcoming Events

Please take note of the following events happening throughout the District and be sure to attend if possible!

March 9-13 - Parish Mission This year we welcome Bishop Andriy as our mission presenter. The mission will be preached in 5 of our main parishes. Everyone is encouraged to attend your own respective parishes. Let's fill our parishes for the mission this year!

March 25 - Feast of the Annunciation Everyone is invited and encouraged to come and attend the celebration of the Feast of the Annunciation of Mary in Sandy Lake. This day will also be marked with a baptism of our newest member to the Christian family! Fellowship will also follow!

April 3-8 - Holy Week A plethora of services is held during Holy Week and everyone is encouraged to attend at least one extra service during this week.

April 2 - Palm Sunday This year we will keep to our regular Sunday schedule for services: Shoal Lake at 9am & Rossburn at 11:30am.

April 6 - Great & Holy Friday Services will be held in Sandy Lake, Shoal Lake & Rossburn.

April 7/8 - Glorious Feast of Pascha The Feast of Feasts, Our Lord's Resurrection will be celebrated in Sandy Lake on Saturday evening; Rossburn & Shoal Lake on Sunday morning. Agape Vespers will be celebrated this year in Russell in the evening of Pascha.

Confessions & Divine Liturgy Intentions will be on hold until after the celebration of Pascha.

Monthly confessions in the parishes will be on hold for the month of February, March & April. During this time confessions will be made available on Wednesday evenings during Stations of the Cross. Confessions will also be made available prior to Holy Week.

Divine Liturgy intentions will resume after Pascha as we do not celebrate weekly divine liturgies throughout Lent. If there are any urgent intentions, please contact Fr. Jay.



Please remember in your prayers all of our parishioners who are in our local personal care homes:

Rossburn PCH: Bill Kalyniak

Russell PCH: Anne Snytynski, Shirley Burtnyk, Sofia Jawa

Shoal Lake PCH: Rose Gerelus, Frances Susinski, Nick Bonchak, Donnie Drozda, Olga Bomak, Tony Woychyshyn, Mrs. Peech

AN APPEAL BY THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS IN CANADA MARKING THE ONE YEAR COMMEMORATION OF THE RUSSIAN INVASION OF UKRAINE

Today, on our calendars we mark a year since a new stage of the Russian-Ukrainian war began with brutal cruelty and destruction, cynicism and falsehood. Every day of the past year has been a repetition of February 24, adding to the bitter statistics of losses and multiplying the grief experienced by many. Thousands of innocent men, women and children have lost their lives; many have been tortured, held in prisons and camps, and forcibly deported. Millions are forced to wander around the world, having lost everything, seeking refuge far from their homes. Many cities and villages have been erased from the face of the earth, leaving only traces in the history and memory of those who lived there. Countless are the deep emotional wounds from the losses, tragic memories, and longing for relatives, inflicted by the war on those who survive and are suffering - especially the children!

Let us continue our works of mercy for the needy in Ukraine and those who seek refuge here in Canada, as a humble manifestation of our sincere faith and for the greater glory of God. In doing so, we share the time and talents with which the Lord has blessed us, knowing that everything will return a hundredfold. By giving temporal goods now, we will receive eternal goods in the future.

In solidarity and compassion with our brothers and sisters in Ukraine, who continue to suffer from the lack of food, water and other basic necessities of life due to the ongoing war, let us renew our practice of fasting and abstinence to remind ourselves of the many blessings we enjoy in our peaceful, daily lives here in Canada.

More than ever, we need to support each other through prayer, kind words and good deeds. A person who receives something through you will thank the Lord and praise Him always. "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Heavenly Father" (Mt. 5:16).

The outcome of this war is crucial and will have global significance and consequences. We pray for victory, which will be realized only when we put all our efforts together. Let us unite, pray, and work for the common good! Let this Lenten season be an opportunity to reach new spiritual heights and to better ourselves so that we can carry out our part in bringing to an end the tragedy of war.

May God bless the Ukrainian people both in their homeland and throughout the world. May He grant them the strength of a strong Christian faith, of enduring good health and the support of a multitude of people of good will. May He grant victory over evil and peace to Ukraine!

+Lawrence, Metropolitan of Winnipeg; Administrator of Saskatoon

+David, Bishop of Edmonton; Administrator of New Westminster

+Bryan, Bishop of Toronto **+Andriy**, Auxiliary of Winnipeg

Full letter available at archeparchy.ca

Liturgical Schedule and Sacraments

1st Sunday: Shoal Lake at 9am & Rossburn at 11:30am; 2nd Sunday: Oakburn at 9am & Russell at 11:30am.

3rd Sunday: Rossburn at 9am & Shoal Lake at 11:30am; 4th Sunday: Russell at 9am & Oakburn at 11:30am.

2nd Saturday: Mountain Road @ 10:30am; 4th Saturday: Sandy Lake @ 10:30am

Tuesday - Fridays: 10am - Rossburn

Confessions: Last Friday of the month (check calendar) or by appointment (always available!)

Baptisms & Funerals: By appointment. Please contact Fr. Jay to arrange.

Weddings: By appointment with minimum 6 months notice.

Anointing of the Sick: By appointment. Please contact Fr. Jay on the parish cell phone for