

# Rossburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District

Український католицько-пастирський округ Росберн

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



## April 2023 Parish Bulletin

**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!**

**ХРИСТОС ВОСКРЕС! ВОЇСТИНУ ВОСКРЕС!**

Although you are receiving this bulletin a few weeks in advance, I greet all of you with the joy of the Resurrection! Throughout Great Lent, we journey towards the Cross. On the day of our Lord's crucifixion, we learn of the redemptive aspect the incredible act of love. Christ's mortal life ends not in tragedy but in sacrifice. This act of sacrifice is the supreme act of love. This sacrifice repairs alienation and estrangement from God. We could offer nothing, so God offers His Son. Redemption is now within our reach, however this reach does require effort. And in spite of the wickedness we are engulfed with, there will always be hope for mercy and forgiveness.

On this Great & Holy Friday, may we recognize the sacrifice and not the tragedy. For our Lord's act of sacrifice shows His love for all and provides us with new life in His glorious third-day resurrection!

My prayers are with all of you throughout this most joyous and light-filled season!

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# Catechesis Corner

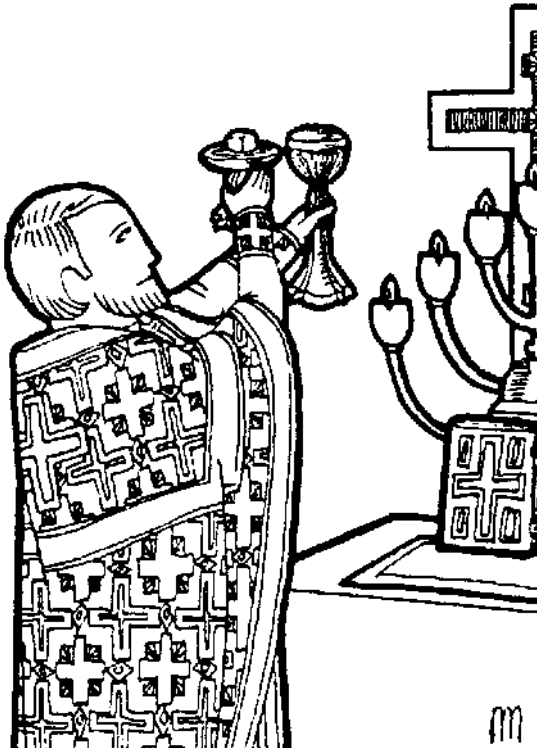
Our next series in Catechesis Corner will be focusing on the Divine Liturgy and what it all means through the various elements of the service. These reflections are taken from the book titled, "Serve the Lord with Gladness" by a Monk of the Eastern Church. Our hope is that we grow in our understanding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

## OFFERING

The Lord offers us His Body and Blood. What can we offer Him in return? We can offer Him everything at our disposal, everything that concerns us. In the first instance, we can offer Him ourselves. We can "give back" all that He has done for us; that is, acknowledge His blessings and adore His goodness in each one of them. It is for this very reason that the priest, having rapidly recalled the salvation-history of mankind, the Cross, the Tomb, the Resurrection and Ascension, and the glorious Second Coming of the Lord, lifts up to God the bread and wine, proclaiming: "Thine own of Thine own, we offer unto Thee in behalf of all and for all!"

Let us think about these words for a moment: "Thine own of Thine own..." Nothing at all belongs to us. There exists no good thing that we have not received from God. We can only offer Him what He has already given to us. We ask Him to receive back and to consecrate for Himself and for us everything that He has made ours. And first of all, we ask this of the bread and wine, these elements which represent the entire creation and which will become the visible instruments of our communion with Him. Next we should remember here all those whose labour produced the bread and wine: the sower of the wheat, the one who worked the earth, the baker, the vine-keeper, the worker who provided the glass or metal containers. The universe as a whole, and all human labor, are summed up and contained in these humble material elements through which God Himself comes to us. In this very moment the divine work of creation reaches its goal and its fulfillment. And in this moment we pray for the whole creation, we consecrate to God every person and the world itself. Thereby we accomplish the service of the priest, whether our priestly ministry is officially conferred by the Church through ordination, or whether it is an expression of the "royal priesthood" which Scripture attributes to every believer (1 Peter 2:9).

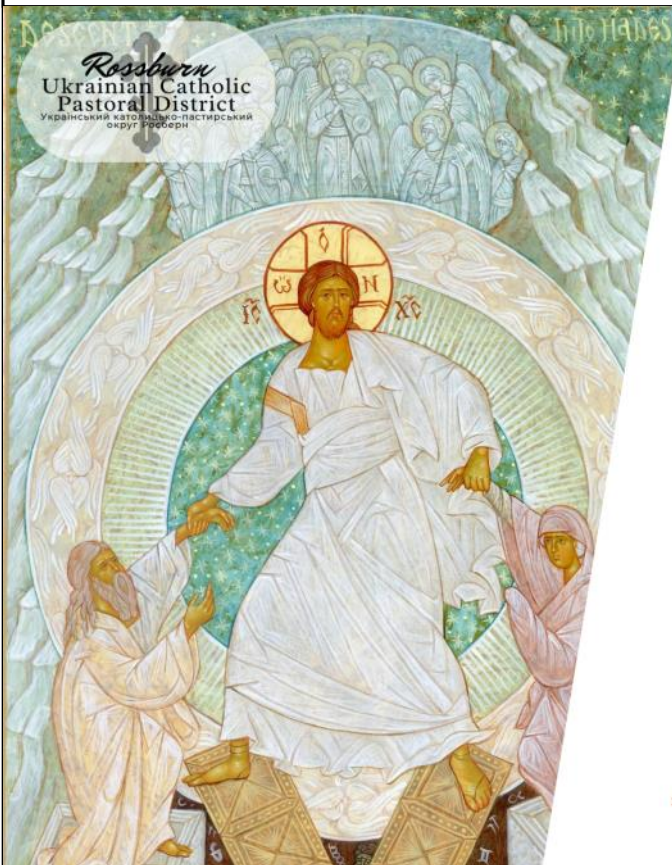
Beseeking God through our intercession, we offer to Him every thing and every person, every human need and every human distress.



# Vibrant Parish

On March 2, we held our Annual General Meeting for the parish district and during this meeting we elected a new district council. On behalf of the entire district I'd like to thank our out-going presidents Merv Starzyk & Greg Stebeleski. Merv served as our president for many years and felt it was time to step back and let someone else lead. Back in November, Greg took on the position in the interim. At the AGM, Chad Davies (Sandy Lake) was elected as our new president; Marylou Stebeleski (Oakburn) was elected as our treasurer and Ollie Mackadenski (Rosssburn) & Leona Chipelski (Angusville) were elected as co-secretaries. We thank them for all taking on these new positions and wish them all of God's blessings as they lead our district!

After a long wait, we also want to officially welcome the parish of the Holy Ghost (Sandy Lake) and Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Mountain Road) to the Rosssburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District! Letters were signed on March 15th by His Grace, Metropolitan Lawrence, making it official the amalgamation of these parishes to our district. Welcome to all the parishioners and may you always feel welcome and part of this district!



## HOLY WEEK Schedule 2023

<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 9AM - SHOAL LAKE 11:30AM - ROSSBURN	<b>Apr. 2</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY MONDAY</b> 9AM - BRIDEGROOM MATINS 6PM - PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY	<b>Apr. 3</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY TUESDAY</b> 6PM - PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY	<b>Apr. 4</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY WEDNESDAY</b> 9AM - BRIDEGROOM MATINS 6PM - PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY	<b>Apr. 5</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY THURSDAY</b> 10AM - VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY WITH ANOINTING 6:30PM - MATINS OF THE PASSION (12 GOSPELS)	<b>Apr. 6</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY FRIDAY</b> PLASHCHENYTSIA 10:30AM - SANDY LAKE 1PM - ROSSBURN 4PM - SHOAL LAKE	<b>Apr. 7</b>
<b>GREAT &amp; HOLY SATURDAY</b> 10AM - VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY 5PM - SANDY LAKE PASCHAL MATINS & DIVINE LITURGY	<b>Apr. 8</b>
<b>PASCHA: THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD</b> 6AM - PASCHAL MATINS & DIVINE LITURGY ROSSBURN 10AM - PASCHAL MATINS & DIVINE LITURGY SHOAL LAKE 3PM - AGAPE VESPERS - RUSSELL	<b>Apr. 9</b>








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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
	<b>REMINDER:</b> During the Paschal season (Pascha until Pentecost) Everyone is invited to remain standing throughout the Divine Liturgy. This is a time of celebration, not repentance.		
2 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Rossburn with fellowship	3  <i>Great &amp; Holy Monday</i> 9am - Bridegroom Matins 6pm - Pre-sanctified Liturgy	4  <i>Great &amp; Holy Tuesday</i> 6pm - Pre-sanctified Liturgy	5  <i>Great &amp; Holy Wednesday</i> 9am - Bridegroom Matins 6pm - Pre-sanctified Liturgy
9 <b>PASCHA:</b> <i>The Resurrection of our Lord</i> 6am - Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy - Rossburn 10am - Shoal Lake 3pm - Agape Vespers - Russell	10 <i>Bright Monday</i> 10am - Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy with water fight!	11 <i>Bright Tuesday</i> 10am - Divine Liturgy +John Ryshtylo by David Sytnyk	12 <i>Bright Wednesday</i> 10:30am - Divine Liturgy - Rossburn
16 <i>Thomas Sunday</i> 9am - Oakburn 11:30am - Russell with fellowship	17 <i>St. Thomas</i> 9am - Oakburn	18 <i>St. Thomas</i> 10am - Divine Liturgy +Helen Sytnyk (2 yrs) by David & Family	19 <i>St. Thomas</i> 10am - Divine Liturgy - Shoal Lake
23 <i>Myrrh-Bearing Women</i> 9am - Russell 11:30 - Oakburn with Easter Lunch	24 <i>St. Lazarus</i> 9am - Oakburn	25 <i>St. Lazarus</i> 9am - Oakburn	26 <i>St. Lazarus</i> 10am - Divine Liturgy - Russell
30 <i>Sun. of the Paralytic</i> 9am - Rossburn 11:30am - Shoal Lake with fellowship	<b>FASTING DAYS THIS MONTH</b> April 3-8: regular day of fasting (meat only) <b>April 7 (Great &amp; Holy Friday):</b> strict day of fasting (no food) April 21 & 28: regular day of fasting (meat only)		

# APRIL 2023

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>(st) we do <b>not</b> kneel!            urgy when we would normally kneel.            entance!</p>			<p>1 <i>Lazarus Saturday</i>  <b>10:30am - Mountain Road</b></p>
<p><i>Holy Wednesday</i>  <b>Room Matins</b>  <b>Sanctified Liturgy</b></p>	<p>6  <i>Great &amp; Holy Thursday</i>  <b>10am - Vespersal Divine Liturgy with Anointing</b>  <b>6:30pm - 12 Gospels</b></p>	<p>7  <i>Great &amp; Holy Friday</i>  <b>PLASHCHENYTSIA</b>  <b>10:30am - Sandy Lake</b>  <b>1pm - Rossburn</b>  <b>4pm - Shoal Lake</b>  <b>7:30pm - Jerusalem Matins</b></p>	<p>8  <i>Great &amp; Holy Saturday</i>  <b>10am - Vespersal DL of St.Basil</b>  <b>5pm - Paschal Matins &amp; Divine Liturgy (Sandy Lake)</b></p>
<p><i>Bright Wednesday</i>  <b>Divine Liturgy</b>  <b>rn PCH</b></p>	<p>13 <i>Bright Thursday</i>  <b>10am - Divine Liturgy +Melvin Woychyshyn by Gapka family</b></p>	<p>14 <i>Bright Friday</i>  <b>10am - Divine Liturgy For our new Parish District Council</b></p>	<p>15 <i>Bright Saturday</i></p>
<p><b>Divine Liturgy</b>  <b>ake PCH</b></p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21   <b>10am - Divine Liturgy +Agnes Tryhuk by David Sytnyk</b></p>	<p>22  <b>10:30am - Sandy Lake with fellowship</b></p>
<p><b>Divine Liturgy</b>  <b>I PCH</b></p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28   <b>10am - Divine Liturgy +Melvin Woychyshyn by Darcy &amp; family</b></p>	<p>29</p>
<p><b>H:</b>            at)            ng (meat &amp; dairy)            at)</p>	<p><b>MAJOR FEASTS THIS MONTH:</b>  <b>April 2:</b> Palm Sunday (holy day of obligation)  <b>April 7:</b> Great &amp; Holy Friday  <b>April 9:</b> Pascha: The Resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ (Feast of Feasts!)</p>		

# Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of April

## April 3 - 7

Icon of Our Lord

+Frank Wilk by Kay Wilk

Icon of the Theotokos

God's blessings on newborn Noah by David Sytnyk

## April 10 - 14

Icon of Our Lord

+Tom Sytnyk by David & family

Icon of the Theotokos

+Nick Dziver by David & family

## April 17 - 21

Icon of Our Lord

+Helen Sytnyk by David & family

Icon of the Theotokos

+Helen Sytnyk by David & family

## April 24 - 28

Icon of Our Lord

Anniversary blessings for Cathy & Tyler by David

Icon of the Theotokos

+Albina Dziver by David & family

Join us in person for **Ukrainian Park Catholic Children's Camp: WILD AND FREE!** Explore the Ukrainian Catholic faith in a fun filled environment. The first week of camp is July 2-9th for Gr. 7-10. The second week is July 9-16th for K - Gr. 6. Cost is \$350/week. Register online at [archeparchy.ca](http://archeparchy.ca) under Ministries/Children's Camp. Interested in being a staff member or volunteer? Contact Sophia Korban, Camp Administrator, at 204-979-5924 or [childrenscamp@archeparchy.ca](mailto:childrenscamp@archeparchy.ca).



**WILD + FREE**  
Summer Camp

**JULY 2-9** [www.archeparchy.ca](http://www.archeparchy.ca) **JULY 9-16**  
GR. 7 - 10 (Ministries/Children's Camp) K - GR. 6



On behalf of the entire Rosburn 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.

### **Olive Prokopchuk (Sandy Lake) - February 26**

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!**

**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. Baskets will be blessed at the conclusion of all of these services.

**April 23 - An Easter Dinner** will be held at Holy Eucharist Parish (OAKBURN) following the 11:30am Divine Liturgy. All are invited to come and celebrate the Paschal season with our parish in Oakburn and enjoy a wonderful lunch afterwards.

**July 2-16 - Ukrainian Park Catholic Children's Camp** will be held in person for the first time in 3 years! For more info visit [archeparchy.ca](http://archeparchy.ca) and visit Children's Camp under Ministries.

**THANKS FOR A SUCCESSFUL LENTEN MISSION!** On behalf of the entire pastoral district, we offer our thanks to all of those who helped make the annual parish mission a success. From those who attended, to those who prepared food for fellowship, to those that hosted Bishop Andriy & Fr. Jay in various ways. Most importantly, we thank Bishop Andriy for all the time he spent here in our district meeting people, seeing places and of course giving our district a spiritual retreat during Great Lent. We look forward to welcoming him back here in the future.



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

**Rossburn PCH:** Bill Kalyniak, Stella Pushka, Kay Luba

**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

# New Humanitarian Appeal for Aid in Ukraine

As the war in Ukraine continues on into its second year, the Archeparchy of Winnipeg is urging all of our faithful to consider supporting a new initiative that will bring enough food for two people for up to a week. This initiative is being operated by Mudra Sprava (Мудра Справа), the Patriarchal Foundation. It is being locally supported by CNEWA Canada & the Archeparchy of Winnipeg. We encourage all parishioners to give however much they can.

For only \$25 CAD, a food package consisting of a selection of grains, flour, pasta, meat and fish, oil, canned vegetables, sugar, coffee, tea, biscuits etc. will be provided to those who are forced to live within the war zone in Ukraine.

Donation envelopes will be made available in our parish district. Cheques may be made to the *Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg* where all funds received for this project will be passed directly onto CNEWA Canada. We will be collecting these throughout the month of April and will be passed on to the Archeparchy on May 1st.

Please, if you can, purchase as many food boxes as you can for those living within the war zone in Ukraine.



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## 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