Rossburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District

Український католицько-пастирський округ Росберн

Serving the communities of Rossburn, Russell, Oakburn, Shoal Lake, Olha, Birtle, Lakedale, Angusville, Ruthenia, Rossburn Farms, Dolyny and Seech Lake

September 2021 Parish Bulletin

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Yes, you read that right, happy new LITURGICAL year! September 1st marks the start of the liturgical new year in our Church. This time last year, my family and I were just arriving in the district and settling in. A year has now passed, and there is much to be thankful for and much to look forward to.

Over the last year, this district has been very welcoming, supportive, patient and generous to the new, young priest. I'd like to thank everyone for being all those things. It certainly was not what I would ever expect for a first year of priesthood, but I am well pleased with how it did go.

Looking forward however, I am excited to be spending *at least* the next five years here and growing in our faith together! My hopes are to help all of us grow through a deeper prayer & liturgical life, a deeper spiritual life with a good foundation in catechesis and understanding of our faith and Church.

As we embark on a new year, let us pray that the Holy Spirit is with us every step of the way guiding us to become the best versions of ourselves and into a closer relationship with our Lord and Saviour!

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Catechesis Corner

Welcome to Catechesis Corner, a new regular feature in the monthly parish bulletin. Each month, we will feature new things to learn about our faith and our Church to help us grow in each of them!

Back to Basics!

For our first month in this new feature, we are going to return to the beginning: prayers and greetings!

Looking at our Catechism of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church, in paragraph 331, we learn that we are called into communion with God and thus our Lord has a desire for us to communicate with Him. God longs for us, His people, to know Him in love. One of the most fundamental ways to do this is through prayer. We are called to times of communal prayers, such as the Divine Liturgy and other liturgical services, to bring us into communion with the rest of the Church. We are also called to be a domestic church, that is the family in our homes. We are called to pray all the time in our daily lives as a family, not just when we come to church on Sundays. When we raise from our



beds in the morning, before each meal, before any task, at the end of the day: these are all moments we should be praying either by our selves or together as a family.

But Father, how do we pray? What do we pray? Well first and foremost, prayer is a conversation with God. Remember He desires us to communicate with Him. In the morning, we give thanks for our evening of rest/sleep. We ask to guide us through the day. Giving thanks and praying for the next thing is however two key parts to prayer. Meal time? Give thanks for the food, and ask to bless it. End of the day? Give thanks for blessings received that day, and pray for someone or something you encountered that day or for something that is happening the next day.

At the entrance of each parish, please find small prayer books free for the taking! These books hopefully will guide you in some small prayers to have throughout the day. Take one for yourself, take enough for the whole family! Creating a culture of prayer is our goal

here. Let's learn to pray well and frequently.

Greetings used year-round in the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church that we should all know!

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be forever!

Christ is amongst us! He is and ever shall be! Слава Ісусу Христу! Слава навіки!

Христос посеред нас! Є, і буде!

A Return to Active Parish Life

As all things pandemic related start to make a turn in the right direction, the restrictions in our province of Manitoba have also started to turn in a positive direction. This means a great deal for all churches in the province. We have great hope that come the fall, we can not only start a new liturgical year, but also have a bit of return to normal parish life. So what does this mean and what can we look forward to? Below is a list of things to look forward to.

- Fr. Jay has been approved for 1-on-1 visits to parishioners in the various PCHs.
- PCH Divine Liturgies are resuming this month!
- Parish meetings can be held in person once again.
- Parishes are open at higher capacities allowing for all of our liturgical celebrations

Fr. Jay is always available for confession. While time may be limited prior to the Sunday liturgy due to travel between towns, appointments can always be made with Fr. Jay.

Growing in our Faith

Our faith is not something we just read about in a parish bulletin. It is something that sometimes requires getting together and interacting with others. With this in mind Fr. Jay would like to offer opportunities to allow parishioners of all ages to deepen their faith in various ways. If you are interested in joining any kind of faith enrichment in our district please contact Fr. Jay to express your interest. Below are a list of possibilities but of course, other ideas are welcome as well.

- Bible Study (studying any scripture themes or books)
- Theology on Tap (theological themed presentations over a pint of beer!)
- Ask Fr. Jay Night (casual evenings where any question can be asked)
- Youth/Young Adult Nights
- The Chosen Bible Study (watching Season 1 of The Chosen with a bible study)
- Worship music nights (yes that's right: an evening of playing and singing worship music; musical instruments required!)
- Any other ideas...

CONGRATULATIONS to all of our First Holy Communion recipients in the district! This past month, in a last minute decision, seven of our young parishioners gathered with their families on August 7th to celebrate and receive their 1st Holy Communion. Let us together as a district congratulate them and pray for their continued growth in their faith through the reception of our Lord in the Eucharist!

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Blessing of teachers at each liturgy!

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Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of September

Aug. 30 - Sept 3

For all parishioners

Icon of Our Lord

Icon of the Theotokos In memory of +Martin Korban

September 6 - 10

Icon of Our Lord For all students returning to school

Icon of the Theotokos In memory of +Diane Melnyk

<u>September 13 - 17</u>

Icon of Our Lord Birthday Blessings for Breanne Korban

Icon of the Theotokos In memory of +Helen Korban

September 20 - 24

Icon of Our Lord For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos For all parishioners

Sept. 27 - Oct. 1

Icon of Our Lord Birthday Blessings for Fr. Michael Winn

Icon of the Theotokos For all parishioners

CONFESSIONS will be available in Russell this month Friday, September 24th from 4pm - 7pm. No there Christmas and Easter are not early this year. Regular confession is a good practice for all Catholics. Take advantage of the opportunity when you can. Fr. Jay will be rotating through different areas of the district each month.



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

Mary Burtnick (Dolyny) - July 23 Mabel Stadnyk (Shoal Lake) - August 5

Losing a loved one is never easy, especially during a pandemic. We extend our prayers as a community for all those who have passed.

ВІЧНАЯ ПАМ'ЯТЬ! ETERNAL MEMORY!



COVID-19 UPDATE: Currently (at time of publishing) as per the Province of Manitoba's #RestartMB response system, the province has new restrictions. At the time of publishing, our parishes will reopen to the public at a capacity of 50% or 150 people and will continue to be live-streamed on Sundays. Funerals are allowed to have a maximum of 50 people in attendance (not including cler-

gy, cantor & funeral staff). For further information on church restrictions, please contact Fr. Jay. We look forward to welcoming everyone back!

PROPER DISTANCING AND MASKS ARE STILL MANDATORY IN ALL PARISHES. Please be respectful of these rules that are put in place by the Province of Manitoba.

While we patiently wait for things to resume fully, please remember to stay safe, get vaccinated and pray, pray, pray!

Pray with us online! Did you know that you can access all of our liturgical services that happen in Rossburn online? Every Sunday, and weekday services, as well as other services such as vespers that happen at Sacred Heart Parish in Rossburn are streamed live not only on our Facebook page, but as





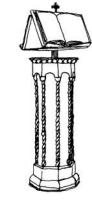
streamed live not only on our Facebook page, but as well on our YouTube channel, allowing those without

a Facebook account to be able to still access the services. For Facebook, search @Rossburn.UGCC and on YouTube search: Rossburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District. Now also available on our new website at rossburnugcc.ca

New Year: New Responsibilities!

As we begin a new liturgical year, there is no better time to get more involved in our parishes! There are many jobs that everyone can help with. Below is a list of jobs that are available in every parish. See something you like or are interested in? Let Fr. Jay know next time vou see him or contact him any time!

- Altar servers
- **Children of Mary**
- Singing
- Reading
- **Rosary / Jesus Prayer** leading



Opportunities to Pray

There are always multiple times to pray together as a community! Not only do we have Sunday Divine Liturgy every week in three of our parishes, but we also offer Divine Liturgy every Tuesday - Friday at 10am in Rossburn and online. We also have Great Vespers on the eve of every major feast day. Not enough? Timing not right? Reach out to Fr. Jay. If you want to either have other services more frequently or at a different time that's more convenient, let Fr. Jay know and we will see what can be arranged. Options for community prayer are as follows:

> **Divine Liturgy** Vespers Matins **Rosary / Jesus Prayer** Akathist / Moleben

The Canon Luhovy Assembly Ukrainian Educational Foundation is pleased to announce that eight bursaries of \$300 each are available to Ukrainian Catholic students, seminarians and religious sisters, of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg, who attend post-secondary institutions, seminaries and private Catholic secondary schools. For all students wishing to apply, please contact Fr. Jay for an application.







Contactless Garage Sale Fundraiser! Over the years, as priests come and go, treasures accumulate in a rectory. After setting aside a full compliment of essentials, there are some extra things to be passed on to new homes. How it works: Starting on Sept. 5th, photos will be available on our website and in physical copies in the main parishes. Look through the pictures. Everything will be sold in the full sets shown at the listed price. 2. To purchase a set, contact 204-859-3025. First come, first served. 3. If your selection is still available, you can arrange a pick up time with Fr. Jay or Sophia. 4. Unsold items will be donated to charity after Oct 1.



This summer, the main bathroom in the parish rectory received much needed, extensive renovations. The renos included fixing of ventilation issues that created a build up of moisture in the walls; removal of chimney and updated plumbing to make things more efficient. Of course, renos like there are needed but come with expenses. If you would like to assist this project financially, you are welcome to make donations to Sacred Heart Ukr. Cath. Church with the memo:



rectory renos. We thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Reminder that the Private Property sings on our properties are for insurance purpose and at the request of our insurance provider. These are NOT meant to keep parishioners and family/friends away from cemeteries. You are all more than welcome to go and visit your loved ones at the cemeteries. Please do not remove!



Liturgical Schedule and Sacraments

Sundays: 9am, 11am & 2pm (please refer to calendar for locations)

Weekdays: 10am - Rossburn

Confessions: Prior to Divine Liturgies 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 emergencies at

204.773.6594.