



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
Also serving Sandy Lake & Mountain Road*

April 2022 Parish Bulletin

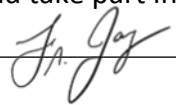
Spring: A New Beginning

As I write this message, it is currently the last day of winter! Of course by this I mean on the calendar because the weather in Manitoba is always much different. Although this year, we do see a considerable change in weather as spring officially arrives! Before we know it, the snow will be gone, our gardens will be planted and we'll be packing away our winter gear for another year.

In the Church we also see a change in seasons. As winter comes to a close, so does our time of Great Lent. It started during some of the coldest days of the year, and when we come out on the other end of it, we see flowers possibly starting to sprout, at least we see pussy willows growing along the highways. Pussy willows are of course that sign of new life for the Church too as we use these branches on Palm Sunday. And then a week later, we celebrate Pascha (Easter)! The day in which new life *really* means something.

Our society is also seeing a bit of new life as pandemic restrictions ease and more things are able to happen in our communities and our parishes. I encourage everyone to watch for the various fundraisers in our towns that are happening to help Ukraine. As well, things in our parish are already well on their way. Our book study comes to a close at the beginning of April and then we will be starting our Youth Alpha program right after Pascha. In the summer we can look forward to our virtual Archeparchial camp once more as well as a return to a some summer catechism.

New life is here and all around us in many ways. Let's watch for it and take part in it!



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Catechesis Corner

The Nicene Creed: Part 3

The Nicene Creed as we know it, is actually broken into four parts: our belief in God the Father, belief in God the Son, belief in God the Holy Spirit, and belief in the Holy, Catholic Apostolic Church. Even though in our liturgical books it is all one large statement, there are actual sections to it. Today we are going to delve into the third section, our belief in God the Holy Spirit.

***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.***

This next part is all about the Holy Spirit and is for the most part confirming the existence of the Holy Spirit. It also describes the position the Holy Spirit holds within the Holy Trinity.

The Holy Spirit is a very special part of the Trinity because it is how God's desires are made known here on earth. The largest example of this is all the prophets that He has spoken through. Going back all through the Old Testament, we read about all the times that the Holy Spirit either worked through the prophets to guide or teach the people of Israel, or sometimes those who were not Israelites. One of the interesting things is that prophets are not done yet. We often think of a prophet as someone that foretold Christ, but their jobs didn't end when Christ came to earth. There still may be prophets living among us today. God chooses how a prophet is to speak or communicate to the people, and it is through the Holy Spirit that all of this is made possible.

This part of the Creed also comes with a bit of a controversy. The Filioque. This tiny little part is only three words: *and the Son*. It is added by the Western Church at the end of the line that talks about where the Holy Spirit proceeds from. In our liturgy books, it is found in parenthesis. As Eastern Catholics, we believe that the Holy Spirit comes from only the Father, and not the Son. Understanding this is key to having a proper understanding of the Trinity. In Canada, the *Filioque* was officially omitted by the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic bishops in the early 2000s so as to return back to the original form of the Nicene Creed.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Week is full of beautiful liturgical practices and services. We invite everyone from across the district to attend either in person or virtually, but especially in person this year to these special services that are held throughout Holy Week. Below is a schedule with a brief disclaimer about them.

Monday - Wednesday:

9am Matins

6pm Pre-sanctified

Great & Holy Thursday:

9:30am - Divine Liturgy

7pm - Matins

Great & Holy Friday:

Plashchanytsia

10:30am - Oakburn

1pm - Rossburn

4pm - Russell

7:30pm - Matins

Great & Holy Saturday:

10am - Divine Liturgy

Great & Holy Pascha:

Saturday evening:

5pm Matins - Oakburn

6pm - Divine Liturgy

Sunday morning:

6am - Russell

10am - Rossburn

Bridegroom Matins - This special lenten matins service brings to a close our matins which include special hymns and melodies only found at these services.

Pre-sanctified Liturgy - This service is as normal, but on Wednesday we add on the anointing of the sick for all those present. Wash your feet on this day!

Vespertal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great - This service is just like on Christmas Eve, but we are celebrating the institution of the Holy Eucharist on this day.

Matins of the Passion Gospels - This matins service is unique and unlike any other because we read 12 Gospel readings that lay out the entire story of the Passion of our Lord.

Plashchanytsia - This beautiful service is one of the most important of the entire week! We celebrate and remember the death of our Lord upon the Cross during this special vespers service. This is where we process around the church with the shroud of Christ. All families & parishioners are encouraged to attend this service.

Jerusalem Matins - This special matins service is where we focus on Christ's body resting in the tomb, kind of like a funeral service for Christ. Beautiful melodies are sung at this service.

Vespertal Divine Liturgy - This is one of the first Eucharistic services of Pascha! At this service, we switch from all of the dark vestments to all of our bright vestments!

Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy - He is Risen! He is Risen! The tomb is empty, we process around the church, all the candles are lit and the bells are ringing! Be sure to bring your bells to ring as we sing out to the world that the Lord has risen from the dead! *The most exciting and lively Divine Liturgy of the year! Don't forget your Paschal foods to be blessed at the end of the service!*

Agape Vespers - A quick and joyful end to the day where we celebrate the agape love of our Lord! This is at 4pm in Rossburn.




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<p>03</p> <p>9:00AM - Russell 11:30AM - Rossburn 2:00PM - Oakburn</p> <p>MARY OF EGYPT</p>	<p>04</p> <p>6PM Moleben for Peace</p>	<p>05 9AM Lenten Matins</p>	<p>06</p> <p>10:30AM - Ro 6p Stations of & Soro Ross</p>
<p>10</p> <p>9:00AM - Shoal Lake 11:30AM - Russell 2:00PM - Rossburn</p> <p>PALM SUNDAY</p>	<p>11 </p> <p>9am Bridegroom Matins 6pm - Presanctified & Moleben for Peace</p>	<p>12 </p> <p>9am Bridegroom Matins 6pm - Presanctified</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9am Brideg 6pm - Pres Annointing</p>
<p>17</p> <p>PASCHAL SUNDAY 6AM - Paschal Matins 7:00AM - Russell 10:00AM - Rossburn 4:00PM - Agape Vespers</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10AM - Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy followed by water fight! 6PM Moleben for Peace</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy Shoal Lake PCH</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10AM - Pas & Divine +Lena Ka Minnie Ma Far</p>
<p>24</p> <p>THOMAS SUNDAY 9:00AM - Rossburn 11:30AM - Shoal Lake 2:00PM - Russell</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6PM Moleben for Peace</p>	<p>26</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy +Victoria Richcoon by Mike & Shirley Gawaziuk</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10AM - Div Russe</p>

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11am-1pm
Drop-In Centre



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Lenten Matins
6pm - Moleben
for Peace
& Mission Talk #1
Shoal Lake

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6pm - Presanctified,
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& Mission Talk #2
Russell

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9:30am - Lenten Matins
& Mission Talk #3
Rossburn
Dinner for Ukraine
Russell - 6pm

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14 9:30am Vespers with
Divine Liturgy of St.
Basil the Great
7pm - 12 Gospels



15 Plaschenytsia
10:30am - Oakburn
1pm Rossburn
4pm - Russell
7:30pm Jerusalem
Matins



16 10am - Vespers &
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PASCHA Sunday
Oakburn
4:45pm - Nadrhobny
5pm Matins
6pm - Divine Liturgy



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21 10AM - Paschal Matins
& Divine Liturgy
YOUTH ALPHA - 6:30PM

22 10AM - Paschal Matins
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23 10AM - Paschal Matins
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28 10AM - Divine Liturgy
YOUTH ALPHA - 6:30PM

29 10AM - Divine Liturgy
+Lena Kalyniak by
Helen Losanko



30 10AM - Divine Liturgy
Mountain Road
3PM - Ostash Baptism
Shoal Lake

Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of April

April 4 - 8

Icon of Our Lord

In memory of +Frank Wilk by Kay Wilk

Icon of the Theotokos

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April 11 - 15

Icon of Our Lord

For all people of Ukraine by Diane Twerdun

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April 18 - 22

Icon of Our Lord

For +Helen Sytnyk by David & Family

Icon of the Theotokos

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April 25 - 29

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

ROSSBURN UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC PASTORAL DISTRICT MISSION 2022

From Death to Life

For this years mission, join Fr. Jay & Sophia on a journey through the Easter weekend. We will begin with the theme of Great & Holy Friday as we explore the death of our Lord through every day life and the Church's rich liturgy on this day. Then we will explore the conversion from death to life that we experience on Great & Holy Saturday. We conclude with our experience of life in regards to our Lord's glorious third day resurrection!



Thursday, April 7 - Shoal Lake

Friday, April 8 - Russell

Saturday, April 9 - Rossburn

6:00PM Moleben for Peace

6:00PM Presanctified Divine Liturgy

9:30AM Lenten Matins

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

Rossburn PCH: Alice Hrubeniuk, Bill Kalyniak, Melvin Luhowy, Anne Shust

Russell PCH: Frances Snytynski, Anne Snytynski, Shirley Burtnyk, Sofia Jawa

Shoal Lake PCH: Rose Gerelus, Frances Susinski, Nick Bonchak, Donnie Drozda, Olga Bomak,
Bill Kalyniak, Penny Mychasiw, Tony Woychysyn

**Currently, the monthly services are suspended until further notice.*

Your questions draw you closer to
God than answers ever will.

Rossburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral
District will be running **Alpha Youth**
starting just after Easter, April 21,
2022, every Thursday at 6:30pm.
Join us and sign up today by emailing
Fr. Jay at rossburn.pastor@gmail.com



The Pastoral District is looking for volunteers to help create true vibrant parishes throughout the whole district. There are two main areas that Fr. Jay would love to have some help with. If you see an area below that you might be interested in helping with, please contact Fr. Jay at rossburn.pastor@gmail.com or by call or text at 204.859.3025 for more information.

OUTREACH | FUNDRAISING



COVID-19 UPDATE: There are currently *no* restrictions in our parishes within the district. Masks may be worn still and are based on your comfort level and are encouraged as you walk in and out of the churches. Social distancing may also still be welcome among some parishioners, so before you sit right next to someone, maybe ask if they are comfortable with that first. While these regulations are lifted, we ask that everyone be mindful of your brothers and sisters and their comfort levels. Thank you and God bless!



Over the past month, we have watched as Russia has invaded and waged war on the people and lands of Ukraine. For many of us, this is our ancestral land where our baba's & dido's came from before settling in the beautiful prairie mountain lands that we still call home today. Throughout the last century, we have done our best to keep our Ukrainian heritage and culture alive. While many of us may not be fluent any-

more, we still have a strong Ukrainian identity whether it be through dance, music, art, clothing or a multitude of other cultural practices and traditions that we keep alive.

While the war continues to grow and attack the Ukrainian people, the resilience we as Ukrainian-Canadians have had in not letting our culture die, we now see in an incredibly strong way in our brothers and sisters in Ukraine on a daily basis as they do everything possible to either keep their families safe or to defend their home against their invasive neighbours. They have stopped at nothing to defend their land, their culture and their home.

These last few weeks we have seen the entire world come together in support of Ukraine, and our little corner of it is no different. You will notice in the coming days, visible support outside a few of our parishes. Fundraisers in our towns are already happening and will continue to happen to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine or to support refugees in our area when they arrive. And of course, we as a community of Ukrainian Greek-Catholics, will continue to do what we do best, pray. We will continue to offer our prayers during and after every liturgical service, as well as hold weekly services for peace on Monday evenings. We invite everyone to our website to find a collection of prayers for Ukraine that you can use on a daily basis to pray for peace and justice in Ukraine.

Слава Україні! Героям Слава!

Liturgical Schedule and Sacraments

Sundays: 9am, 11:30am & 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 204.859.3025.