



# Rosburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District

Український католицько-пастирський округ Росберн

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

## September 2022 Parish Bulletin

### *Happy New Year!*

Happy New Year everyone! September 1st marks the beginning of the new liturgical year. Each year we close out the year with the Dormition of the Mother of God (Aug. 15) and then we start fresh again with her birth on September 8th. The beginning of September also marks the anniversary of my arrival in this wonderful pastoral district! Two years are now behind us, and so we embark on this third year and of course we look to continue to grow more and more as a pastoral district.

In August, we had an incredible week long summer catechism that was full of kids. We taught them all about the Divine Liturgy and created new (old) ways to be more active and involved every service. The plan now is to build on that and keep the momentum going. This fall more and more things will be started up to get all of us (not just kids) more involved in our parish life to create vibrant and sustainable parishes.

- So if you are with me, let us pray through the grace and power of the Holy Spirit that the entire Rosburn Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral District becomes a truly vibrant area that draws people into our faith, that welcomes people back home to our parishes and nurtures those already here and present. May God bless you throughout the new year and always!



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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.

## **AMEN & The GOSPEL**

Amen. This is the word pronounced most frequently by the faithful during the liturgy. It represents the people's response to the prayers spoken out loud by the priest or the deacon.

What is the significance of our "Amen"? In Hebrew, the word signifies that what one speaks of is certain and firmly established. To pronounce this word is to make a certain commitment. It concerns in a personal way each person who utters it.

Like the expression "Peace be unto all," the word "Amen" has become so familiar to us that it has lost its cutting edge and its power. We have made of it a kind of automatic reaction to certain words of the liturgy. In place of "It is definitely so!," which is the original meaning of "Amen," we have transformed it into a timid and weak expression of general agreement: "Yes, I accept that. Let it be that way." We no longer sense that in speaking our "Amen!" our whole life and being are engaged in an act of faith and ardent trust.

May we begin today, during the liturgy that is before us, to fill our "Amen!" with all the meaning it should have for us. Let us make of each "Amen!" an enthusiastic outreach towards God, a cry of the heart that unites us to His Word and His Will.

The Epistle has been read. Now it is time for the Gospel. The priest introduces this reading with a prayer that begins: "Illumine our hearts, O Master, who lovest mankind, with the pure light of Thy divine knowledge."

As we have already pointed out, the liturgy is not merely a gathering of the faithful around the Lord's Supper. It is also a gathering about His Word. It is a gathering about the Book in the same way as about the Cup. In the proclamation of the Gospel and the authentic reception of its message, we will find ourselves entering into a living relationship with Him who is the Light of the World.

This Light "shines in the darkness." That means that it is surrounded by darkness and by hostile powers, but nevertheless it cannot be conquered by the night. This affirmation is true for all of the vast world that surrounds us. It is true as well for each one of us. For each of us bears, at each and every moment, a power of darkness as well as a Light that shall never be extinguished.

Let us prepare ourselves to hear the Holy Gospel by opening ourselves to the Light. May this Light, this knowledge that comes from God and not from our own efforts, this inner Light which is the same that emanated from the Lord Jesus and shone around Him, guide our every step along the pathway! Yes, every step, for there is nothing insignificant in the life of the Spirit. Every letter that I shall write, every conversation I shall have, the use I shall make of the time allotted to me - all of that can be guided by God every bit as much as the great decisions that mean major commitments in my life. And may this Light illumine not only my steps along the pathway willed by God, but the entire spiritual landscape, that each person and each thing might assume the place assigned to it by the divine purpose.

*O Thou who art the Light of the World, grant me to advance from illumination to illumination!*



# Vibrant Parish

As we work towards creating truly vibrant parishes throughout the entire District, check here each month for new ways to do so!

This month, we focus on bringing back some age old traditions to our regular Divine Liturgy routine. The Divine Liturgy is prayer in motion, and movement is exactly what we want to see, as opposed to being stationary in our pews. Here are few things we are starting and we invite all parishioners of all ages to participate.

- 1) **Veneration of the Gospel:** During the Little Entrance (Gospel procession), all children and adults are invited to line up in the centre aisle to venerate the Gospel book. At this time, we will refrain from kissing the Gospel. Instead, simply cross yourself and bow your head and Fr. Jay will gently place the Gospel upon your head for a blessing.
- 2) **Candles at the Gospel reading:** All kids and parents and anyone else are invited to come and hold candles at the ambo where the Gospel is read each Divine Liturgy. Watch for candles available in each parish starting September 1st. Adults and teens, please help light the candles of the younger ones.
- 3) **Kiss of Peace:** On the bottom of pg. 49, prior to the priest saying, “the doors, the doors...” all of the faithful are invited to greet one another in peace. Traditionally we’d embrace each other with three kisses on the shoulders. Handshakes will also be accepted. As we do so, say, “Christ is amongst us!” And respond with “He is and ever shall be!” This practice helps us to ‘lay aside all earthly cares’ before receiving the Eucharist.
- 4) **Antidoron:** Following the Divine Liturgy, all the faithful are invited to come to the front of the church, and venerate the Cross and receive some of the blessed bread that was used to prepare for Communion. We use the same greeting as above.



## ARCHEPARCHY OF WINNIPEG MOBILE APP NOW AVAILABLE!

The Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Russell (St. Mary) has been selected as one of the parishes to be part of this mobile app pilot. We invite all parishioners in the Rosburn Pastoral District to visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store and download the app, especially the parishioners in Russell. Check it out and see what it's all about. Parishioners in Russell are invited to set up electronic donations through the app. Search **Archeparchy of Winnipeg** in each app store.

# SEPTEMBER

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MON

TUE

WED



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ROSSBURN UKRAINIAN  
CATHOLIC PASTORAL DISTRICT

04

9:00AM - Rossburn  
11:30AM - Oakburn  
2:00 PM - Russell  
*followed by*  
*St. George Cemetery*

05

06

10AM - Divine Liturgy  
For all Students &  
Seminarians returning  
to school

07

10:30  
Divine  
@ Rossburn  
6PM - Great Vespers

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9:00AM - Rossburn  
11:00AM - Russell  
followed by KofC BBQ  
2:00 PM - Shoal Lake

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13

10AM - Divine Liturgy  
50th Anniversary  
blessings for Helen &  
Leslie Lewandoski  
by Joan & Henry  
6PM - Great Vespers

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Exaltation of  
Precious Blood

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Fr. Jay will be away

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9:00AM - Russell  
11:30AM - Olha  
2:00 PM - Rossburn

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10AM - Divine Liturgy  
All clergy of the  
Archeparchy of  
Winnipeg

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10:30  
Divine  
@ Rossburn






# BER 2022

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	<p>01</p> <p><b>Beginning of the New Liturgical Year</b></p>	<p>02</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy Health of Addison Mitchell by Rogasky family</p> 	<p>03</p> <p>6PM - Great Vespers</p>
<p>10AM Liturgy ourn PCH</p> <p>eat Vespers</p>	<p>08</p> <p>Nativity of the Mother of God 10AM - Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>09</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy +Jean Moroz by Mike &amp; Verna Hryhoryshyn</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy Sandy Lake</p>
 <p>on of the us Cross</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>1:30PM - Russell 4:00PM - Rossburn</p>
	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> 	<p>24</p>
<p>way from September 15 - 23.</p>			
<p>AM Liturgy sell PCH</p>	<p>29</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy 50th Anniversary Blessings for Lucille &amp; Raymond Lewandoski by Joan &amp; Henry</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10AM - Divine Liturgy +John, +Wasył, +Iryna, +Patricia Huculak by Adelpia Huculak &amp; family</p>	

## Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of September

### September 5 - 9

Icon of Our Lord

For all Students

Icon of the Theotokos

For all Teachers

### September 12 - 16

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

### September 19 - 23

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

### September 26 - 30

Icon of Our Lord

For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos

For all parishioners

**CONFESSIONS** will **not be** scheduled in any parishes during the summer months. However, Fr. Jay is always available for confession and is just a phone call away. 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 once again starting in September. To book with Fr. Jay all you need to do is to give him a call, send him a text or an email and book a time. Fr. Jay will meet you at any parish for confession.



On behalf of the entire Rosxburn 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.

**Melvin Luhovy (Rosxburn) - August 4**

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!**

**September 3: Saturday Evening Great Vespers** - The first of our regular vesper services. Join us every 1st & 3rd Saturday of every month. Please note that September will only have the 1st Saturday.

**September 7/8: Feast of Nativity of the Mother of God** - Join us in Rosscurn for this first major feast of the new year. Vespers at 6pm the evening before, followed by 10am Festal Divine Liturgy the next morning.

**September 11: Knights of Columbus BBQ Lunch (Russell)** - The two Catholic communities in Russell are being treated a community BBQ hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Join us after the 11am Divine Liturgy that Sunday.

**September 13: Exaltation of the Precious Cross** - Come celebrate the Exaltation of the Cross a day early in the evening with the Divine Liturgy.

**October 1: Mountain Road Praznyk** - Make the drive to the parish in Mountain Road where we celebrate the final Praznyk of the year for the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God.

**November 2: *The Chosen* Bible Study** - Join Fr. Jay as we watch Season 1 of *The Chosen* with a guided bible study. This will run weekly on Wednesday evenings beginning Nov. 2 and ending Dec. 21.

**November 6 & 13: First Communion** - Join our communities in Oakburn (Nov. 6) and Russell (Nov. 13) as we celebrate our First Holy Communicants. More details to follow.

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

**Rosscurn PCH:** Alice Hrubeniuk, Bill Kalyniak, Anne Shust

**Russell PCH:** Anne Snytynski, Shirley Burtnyk, Sofia Jawa, Bill Kalyniak

**Shoal Lake PCH:** Rose Gerelus, Frances Susinski, Nick Bonchak, Donnie Drozda, Olga Bomak, Penny Mychasiw, Tony Woychyshyn



Please, continue to donate toward aid to refugees via the charities that we have promoted since the beginning of the war. Please also take note of the various appeals for volunteers, housing and other ways of assistance, and respond as generously as possible. **MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ESPECIALLY NEEDED AT THIS TIME!**

In our own Pastoral District, the community of Russell has been organizing a lot of help for newcomers spanning north to Roblin and as far east as Shoal Lake. If you would like to help out, donate or offer your services, please contact either Leanne Bily (Chair) at 204-773-0847 or Judy Snitynsky (General Coordinator) at [snityns1@mymts.net](mailto:snityns1@mymts.net).



In August, we held our annual Summer Catechism program and it was a great success! A huge thank you to Margie, Keneen, Sophia and Fr. Jay for being our catechists. And another huge thank you to Olga, Myrna, Sylvia, Lynda, Kristy, Marion, Anna, Marylou, Lisa, Trisha, Catherine, Kerri, Tia, and more for helping with food and supervision.

**The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** is held annually on September 30th. This day is also known as Orange Shirt Day. All parishioners are encouraged to wear orange shirt on this day to work, school or even just around the house. Unfortunately Fr. Jay will be out of town on this day, but is currently looking to have an event on the evening of September 29th to commemorate this day.



### 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.