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August 2023 Parish Bulletin

Blink, and you might miss it!

Well here we are, summer is nearly half over. I remember as a kid how summer used to be a this really long time off from school. Then when I got into university, it was twice as long! But now that I have kids and I'm back to a two month summer, it feels like it goes by really fast compared to when I was a kid.

When I am praying the Divine Liturgy, the same thing happens. When I was a kid, it seemed to go on forever, but now that I am praying it sometimes seven times a week, it goes by a little faster. This might seem like something we want, but for those of us who only come once a week on a Sunday, do we really want that to be rushing by us? The one hour we truly dedicate to our Lord, to our relationship with our God, and we want it to be over and done with? In the eyes of our Lord, our own lives are but a blink and yet He took the time to create each and everyone of us in His own image and giving us all beautifully unique lives. He takes the time to nurture us and more importantly forgive us every single time we make a mistake. And how do we say thanks? By trying to rush our one hour with him?

I encourage you to try and slow down a bit on Sundays. Come early to have a little personal prayer time, and instead of rushing off at the end, take a moment to visit with your fellow parishioners and share that love that God shares with us!

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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.

The Lord's Prayer (pt. 1)

The great litany of supplication follows. Among the petitions made to God, note especially the request for "an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies." Have we explored all the riches of this presence of a guardian angel, to whom we are specifically entrusted? Has our guardian angel really become for us an intimate friend, a treasured companion along our path? What room do we make for angels in our life? This long prayer culminates in the Prayer of all prayers, that holds for us an authority which is more than merely human. The Lord Jesus Himself taught us this prayer, and for that very reason it should hold a privileged place in all our prayers of invocation. A detailed commentary on this prayer would be out of place here. Nevertheless, a few words on its substance can perhaps help us to pray it as it should be prayed, in Spirit and in truth.

"Our Father." To this Father we can say, "my Father." But at the same time we should also say "our Father," since He is the Father who loves every one of us without exception.

"Father." By His very nature the Lord Jesus is the Son of the Father, in a unique and exceptional sense. We can nonetheless become children of the Father by adoption, that is, by grace.

"Who art in heaven." We are not obliged to believe in a material heaven, a place that can be located geographically in time and space. Heaven is essentially a state of the soul, the fruit of a certain vision, love, and union. The word "heaven" reminds us of the infinite distance that exists between the Creator and His creatures. By its nature this distance is unbridgeable; yet our God in His infinite grace has assumed our humanity and has dwelt among us, and in Him we live and move and have our being.

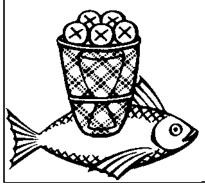
"Hallowed be Thy name." This does not mean that we sing endless praises to God, but that we "set apart" the divine name as being above every name in heaven and on earth, as bearer of a reality that is above every reality, and we accept to conduct ourselves in such a way that our actions bear witness to the greatness of our Father.

"Thy Kingdom come." The Kingdom of God can manifest itself through certain exterior realities: structures, institutions, precepts, and rites. The Gospel tells us, however, that this Kingdom is first

of all "within us." It is an inner event. It is the unrestricted gift of our soul to God.

"Thy will be done." The coming of the Kingdom is realized in our accomplishment of God's will in the great things and in the so-called small things of our daily life. Before God, however, there are no "small things." The least details of our daily existence become "great" through our obedience to the divine will.

"On earth as it is in heaven." The perfect obedience of the angels is the model of our own obedience. Ours should be a "love without limit," extended toward God and toward every human being.



Vibrant Parish

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



SUMMER CATECHISM

AUGUST 21-25 10AM-3PM











HANDS ON FAITH & TONS OF FUN! EVERYONE WELCOME!

TO REGISTER:
EMAIL INFO@ROSSBURNUGCC.CA

SUMMER 2023 PRAZNYK SCHEDULE

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2023

St. Peter Parish (Birtle)

Dormition of the Mother of God Parish (Russell)

Dormition of the Mother of God Parish (Seech)

Protection of the Mother of God (Mountain Road)

PLEASE CHECK BULLETIN OR WEBSITE FOR TIMES

Saturday, August 12

Sunday, August 13

Saturday, August 26

Saturday, Sept. 30





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Sun	Mon	Tue	W
MAJOR FEASTS THIS MONTH:		1	2
August 6: Transfiguration of our Lord August 15: Dormition of the Mother of God August 29: Beheading of John the Baptist			
6 Transfiguration of our Lord	7	8	9
PLEASE VISIT YOUR LOCAL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH			
	FR. JAY AWAY AT \	WORLD YOUTH DAY	
13 11th Sunday after Pentecost	14	15	16
9:00am - Oakburn I I:30am - Russell Praznyk		10:00am - Divine Liturgy FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD	I0:00am - Di +Steve by Joan
20 12th Sunday after Pentecost	21	22	23
9:00am - Rossburn I I:30am - Shoal Lake	SUMMER C	CATECHISM IN ROSSBURN! Monday - Fri	
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	24	25	26 10:30am - Sandy Lake		
day, 10am - 3pm Register: info@rossbu		urnugcc.ca	l:00pm - Seech Praznyk		
ivine Liturgy ssings on Ichers	3 I 10:00am - Divine Liturgy 6pm - Great Vespers	FASTING DAYS THIS MONTH: August I-14: Dormition Fast August 2, 4, 9, 11, 18, 25: day of fasting (meat) August 29: day of fasting (meat & round foods)			

Vigil Candle Intentions for the month of August

August I - 4

Icon of Our Lord For all parishioners

Icon of the Theotokos For all parishioners

August 7 - 11

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August 14 - 18

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August 21 - 25

Icon of Our Lord For all youth in our parish district.

Icon of the Theotokos For all youth in our parish district.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for volunteers for the week of our summer catechism. If you are interested or are going to be around, please contact Sophia at info@rossburnugcc.ca. We are in need of kitchen volunteers, teachers, supervisors etc. Especially if you are going to be around, consider volunteering!



NO SUBSTITUTE for AUGUST 6

I'd like to apologize to the parishes of Rossburn & Shoal Lake for having to cancel the Sunday Divine Liturgy on Sunday, August 6. I have tried very hard to find a substitute for this one Sunday, but I was unable to find one. In the event that a substitute becomes available, I will be sure to get the word out about the rescheduling of services.



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 districts over the last month.

Shirley Novalkowski (Dauphin/Sandy Lake) - June 15

We extend our prayers as a community for all those who have passed. **Eternal Memory - Вічная Пам'ять!**

Upcoming Events

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

May - August - Praznyk Season Everyone is encouraged to attend any and all of the parish praznyk celebrations. Many of the small parishes support the main parishes year round, this is the opportunity for the main parishes to support the little guys! Plus the food is always great!

August 21 - 25 Summer Catechism Week We return again for another week of summer catechism for the district! Register today! Email info@rossburnugcc.ca.

Common Prayers to Learn

In our faith, there are a number of prayers that we should know by heart, so that we can say them with our hearts! Of course, we should all know how to say the Lord's Prayer, but how about the prayer to the Holy Spirit? This prayer is good to say before any task. Knowing the prayer to the Mother of God is also a good one, especially along with the music melody. Feel free to cut this out and keep it on hand and say these prayers daily, along with the Lord's Prayer.

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things. Treasury of Blessing, Bestower of Life; come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all that defiles us, and, O Good one, save our souls.



Rejoice Virgin Mary, full of grace.
O Theotokos, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
For you have given birth,
to the Saviour of the world.

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: Frances Susinski, Nick Bonchak, Donnie Drozda, Olga Bomak, Tony Woychyshyn

Over 100 Campers Get 'Wild & Free' at Ukrainian Park Catholic Children's Camp

During the first two weeks of July, over 100 campers, plus dozens of staff attended Ukrainian Park Catholic Children's Camp on the shores of Lake Winnipeg. Of these 100+ campers, 1/3 of them were newly arrived Ukrainians that have only been in Canada for less than a year. From meeting the coast guard to daily camp fires, from learning about the prophet Daniel to confessions on the beach, and just about everything in between, these campers had one incredible experience! Shout out to Sophia who was the camp director & Fr. Jay who was the camp chaplain who did an incredible job leading this camp after 3 years of not being in-person.



REMINDER: Fr. Jay will be away for one more stint this summer.

From July 27 - August 9, Fr. Jay will be away on his pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal. If you need to contact Fr. Jay while he away, please email him at pastor@rossburnugcc.ca. During World Youth Day, you will only be able to get a hold of him via email. The parish phone will be left behind in Canada. In the event of an immediate need of a priest, please contact Fr. Paul in Russell at 204-773-2924 or Fr. Chris in St. Lazarre at 204-683-2273.

Please keep Fr. Jay in your prayers as he embarks on his pilgrimage to Lisbon!

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 emergencies at 204.859.3025.