ROSSBURN

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC PASTORAL DISTRICT

Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

November 2026

ARCHEPARCHY OF WINNIPEG

Remembering in Hope, Following in Faith

November is a month of remembrance. As we celebrate the saints and pray for our departed loved ones, we bring before God the people whose lives have shaped our own: family members, friends, and all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. We remember them with gratitude and sorrow, entrusting them to the mercy of God. Christian remembrance does not deny our grief; it places our grief in the light of Christ's Resurrection. Because Christ has conquered death, our hope is that those who have died are not lost to God, and that the communion of saints joins the Church on earth with those who have entered eternity.

As Pope Leo XIV reminds us, Christians call burial places "cemeteries"—places of rest as we await the resurrection. Our prayers for the departed express love and keep us mindful of the hope we profess: that life in Christ does not end at the grave.



At the end of the month, the feast of the holy Apostle Andrew draws our attention from remembrance toward the mission entrusted to us. The Byzantine Church honours Andrew as Protokletos, meaning "the first-called," because he was the first of the Apostles called to follow Jesus. Andrew's response was not a momentary enthusiasm: he remained with Christ through his ministry, Passion, and Resurrection, and bore witness to him to the end.

Andrew's feast does not set aside November's theme; it brings it to fulfilment. The saints and faithful departed whom we remember bear witness to lives lived in hope, while Andrew shows us how that hope becomes a daily following of Christ. His martyrdom also reminds us that Christian hope is not an escape from suffering. Like a grain of wheat that falls into the earth and bears fruit, the path of Christ passes through the Cross toward new life.

May our remembrance of those who have gone before us deepen our hope in the Resurrection. And may the example of St. Andrew renew our willingness to hear Christ's call, follow him faithfully, and share the hope of the Gospel with others.



AXIOS OUR NEW METROPOLITAN!!

On Sunday, November 8th, Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski will officially be enthroned as our 4th Archbishop of Winnipeg and Metropolitan for all of Canada! We invite everyone to pray for His Grace, Archbishop Michael as he embarks on this new chapter not only in his life, but for all of Canada.

Metropolitan Michael has a very clear mission to serve not just our Archeparchy of Winnipeg, but in fact embrace his role as the Metropolitan of Canada! We look forward to welcoming His Grace back home to our district one day in the near future.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

Please note that there will <u>not</u> be any Divine Liturgies celebrated in the Rossburn District the weekend of the enthronement. We encourage everyone to either attend a neighbouring Roman Catholic church that weekend, or be sure to watch online the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy with Enthronement.

PRAZNYK STEWARDSHIP FUNDRAISER

Our Praznyk Stewardship Fundraiser has officially come to a close and we are very excited to share that together, we raised **$22,232** this summer in support of our pastoral district!!! We want to congratulate each and every parish and parishioner and guest who was brave enough to take a chance on drawing a ping-pong ball at our praznyks this summer. Through your willingness to participate, and committment to supporting our district, we not only hit our target of $20,100, but we surpassed it by $2,132! So thank you one and all for making this fundraiser a huge success!

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

We want to sincerely congratulate and welcome to the Catholic Church, the newly enlightened servants of God, Kim Wall and her daughters, Layla & Mikayla Sawchuk! These three were baptized on Sunday, November 1st in Rossburn. Please be sure to welcome them warmly not only to the faith, but also to our parish!

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH

Each of our parishes are 100% non-profit, charities. As a place of worship, each parish community relies on donations to keep a church open and running. We want to encourage everyone to ensure that you are making regular donations to your parish. Remember that each passing year expenses and costs increase in our world. Your support is essential to keeping your parish doors open for years to come. Another option we want to encourage is to please consider your parish when planning your estate. This will help to secure the future of the ministry of your parish and keep it's doors open! Thank you for considering this.

ST. PHILIP'S FAST - PILIPYVKA

As we begin St. Philip's Fast—Pilipivka, the Nativity Fast—we enter a season of preparation for the radiant feast of the Nativity of our Lord. The Church invites us to make room in our hearts for Christ through prayer, repentance, and a renewed attentiveness to God and one another.

Fasting is more than abstaining from certain foods: it also means turning away from anger, gossip, falsehood, and other habits that harm our life in Christ. May this fast help us grow in patience, generosity, and love, so that we may welcome the newborn Saviour with joyful and prepared hearts.

Questions Fr. Jay Gets Asked...

- *Why do we have to attend church on Sundays and other major feasts?*

Sunday is the Lord's Day—the Church's "little Pascha"—when we celebrate Christ's Resurrection and gather as his people for the Divine Liturgy. The Church also calls us to gather for feast days: these celebrations unite us in prayer and help us profess our faith together as members of Christ's Body. In the Ukrainian Catholic Church, participation in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days is an obligation, observed according to the prescriptions and legitimate customs of our Church. Let us make these days a priority, setting aside what we can so that we may worship God and celebrate the joy of the Church's feasts together.

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom says as it calls the faithful to receive the Eucharist, "Approach with the fear of God and with faith." Why do we fear God?*

"Approach with the fear of God and with faith" calls the faithful to come to Holy Communion with reverent awe, humble trust, and a sincere desire to receive Christ worthily. This is not a command to be terrified of God or to avoid Communion because you feel unworthy. It is the fitting response to the mystery Christians believe is before them: Christ gives himself to us in the Eucharist, and we approach him with both profound respect and faith in his saving mercy. An ancient Eastern formulation makes the balance explicit: "Draw near with faith, charity and fear of God."

In the Divine Liturgy, "fear" first means recognizing the holiness and magnitude of what is taking place. The Eucharist is not an ordinary meal or a merely symbolic gesture: Christ is present, and the faithful are invited to receive him. St. John Chrysostom taught that this mystery should awaken awe because it draws worshippers into the presence of the Lord, whom even the angels adore with reverence.

NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY

In November, we are working to creating a new parish directory, which has not been done in nearly 10 years! Please watch for a phonen call from your parish representative to set up your time slot to have your family photo taken! Dates for the photos are November 17-21.

Sacred Heart Parish Hosts Remembrance Day Service



This year, our parish in Rossburn will be hosting the Rossburn Remembrance Day service in our church. We would like to invite all of our parishioners to consider attending this service as we mark this day of remembrance in our community. The service will begin at 10:30am upstairs in the church. Following the service, everyone is welcome to come downstairs and enjoy a lunch that will be prepared by the Vinok Ukrainian Dance Group.
As Eastern Catholics, we remember those who suffered and died in war with gratitude and prayer. Their sacrifice calls us not only to honour the past, but also to work for freedom, human dignity, and peace among nations. Let us pray for all who have fallen, for those who mourn, and for all whose lives are still wounded by war, especially our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. May Christ, our peace, grant rest to the departed and move us to become peacemakers.



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 months.
We apologize for not having acknowledged these sooner.

+Diane Mackadenski (Oakburn) - February 8
+Roxanne Warinski (Oakburn/Winnipeg) - March 21
+Raymond Mychasiw (Olha) - June 5
+Peter Solonyczny (Sandy Lake) - June 8
+Orest Nowosad (Oakburn) - June 18
+Frances Susinski (Shoal Lake) - June 24
+Marion Antoniw (Rossburn) - July 5
+Sally Shmyr (Shoal Lake/Winnipeg) - July 14
+Eugene Yanick (Oakburn) - Sept. 7
+Patricia Yaskiw (Rossburn/Winnipeg) - Oct. 18
+Betty Woywada (Kerr's Lake/Minnedosa) - Oct. 20
+Maurine Lamb (Dolyny) - Oct. 21

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

Please remember in your prayers all of our parishioners who are in our local care homes and feel free to visit them whenever!

Rossburn PCH:	**Shoal Lake PCH:**	**Sandy Lake PCH:**
Kay Luba	Olga Bomak	Anne Macksymchuk
Helen Sidoryk	Anne Kowal	Zenon Gerelus
Pauline Sidoryk	Eileen Ewachewski	Ernie Dmyterko
Verna Juba	Olga Melnyk	Teenie Buternowsky
Josephine Genovie	Milton Ostash	Lena Kalyniak
Olga Herechuk		
Henry Hrubeniuk		

Liturgical Schedule and Sacraments

Sundays: 9:00am & 11:30am (check schedule for locations) **Saturdays:** 10:30am (check schedule for locations)
Tuesday - Fridays: 10:00am - Rossburn (check schedule)
Confessions: 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 for emergencies.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23rd Sun. after Pentecost 1 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Rossburn with triple baptism!	2	3 Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Sally Shmyr by Stan & Iris Furman	4 Divine Liturgy 10:00am Healing of Diane Oliver by Cassie Leganchuk	5 Divine Liturgy 10:00am God's blessings on Jennifer, Kayla & Rosanna by Laura	6	7
24th Sun. after Pentecost 8 NO DIVINE LITURGY Enthronement of Metropolitan Michael ~Winnipeg~	9	10 Divine Liturgy 10:00am Marianne & Shayne Sherbanuik by Rose Rogasky	11 Rossburn Remembrance Day Service 10:30am	*St. Josaphat* 12 Divine Liturgy 10:00am Blessings on Gerry, Mike, Cheryl, Les & Darrell by Cassie	13 Sandy Lake PCH 10:00am	14 10:30am - Mtn. Rd.
25th Sun. after Pentecost 15 9:00am - Oakburn 11:30am - Sandy Lake	16	17 Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Helen Sytnyk by Rose Rogasky	18 Rossburn PCH 10:00am	19 Shoal Lake PCH 10:00am	20	*Nativity of the BVM* 21 Divine Liturgy - 10am Mazur-Amy Wedding 1pm - Lakedale
26th Sun. after Pentecost 22 9:00am - Rossburn 11:30am - Shoal Lake	23	24 Divine LIturgy 10:00am +Anne Ghol by Cassie Leganchuk	25	26 Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Svend Larsen by Laura Chartier	27	28 10:30am - Sandy Lake
27th Sun. after Pentecost 29 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Olha	*St. Andrew* 30					