



ROSSBURN

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC
PASTORAL DISTRICT



Ukrainian
Greek Catholic
Church

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ARCHEPARCHY
OF WINNIPEG

Mother of God, Protect Us!

On October 1st, every year we celebrate the feast of the Protection of the Mother of God, or in Ukrainian, 'Pokrov.' This feast celebrates Mary's continuing presence and intercession for the Church. The Theotokos stands before God and prays ceaselessly for the faithful of the Church. In *Christ our Pascha*, the Catechism of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church, connects this feast day of the Protection with that of Mary's Dormition. The Catechism says, "in her Dormition she did not abandon the world." Although she was taken up into heavenly glory, she remains connected to us down here by offering us that protection and her intercession.

The image we see for this feast features Mary spreading her veil, sheltering the faithful beneath that mantle of her protection.

The Protection of the Mother of God has specifically strong roots to our Kyivan Church. Grand Prince Yaroslav the Wise consecrated Rus'-Ukraine to the Protection of the Mother of God. Ukrainian Catholic Churches throughout the world are dedicated to the Mother of God.

We must be careful not to confuse our source of salvation. Mary's protection does not bring us that salvation. Christ is our one and only source of salvation. Instead, we celebrate Mary's maternal intercession, which is entirely dependent on God's grace, and it draws us the faithful, toward her Son.

May we always turn to Mary, the Theotokos, for her intercession and protection!



2027 ROSSBURN DISTRICT PILGRIMAGE

SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 2-11, 2027

COMING SOON!

Watch for flyers coming in the next couple of weeks!

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.

FR. JAY'S OCTOBER ABSENCE

Fr. Jay will be away from the parish from October 2-9 for a wedding & the annual clergy retreat. If you are in need of a priest, please contact Fr. Joe in St. Lazare at 204-683-2273 (from Oct. 7-9). Or Fr. Ivan in Gilbert Plains at 204-548-2190 (from Oct. 2-4).

HOW DO WE VENERATE ITEMS IN THE CHURCH?

For us as Ukrainian Catholics belonging to the Byzantine liturgical rite, we carry this ancient practice of venerating special items through bowing, kissing, touching etc. From icons, to the Gospel, to relics, we venerate it all. When we venerate things it means we are showing reverence and honor to someone because of their relationship to God and the holiness God has worked in them. So we venerate people like Mary and all the saints. God however, he alone do we give our adoration to. Veneration & adoration are similar, but still different.

Veneration can be expressed through our actions such as bowing or kissing icons and relics. When an icon is venerated, the honour is directed to the person depicted, not to the material image as though it possessed divine power. By honouring the saints it leads us to imitate their virtues, grow in charity, and give glory to God.

So how do we properly do this? There are two ways. Typically when someone like a priest presents you with something, such as a cross, crossing yourself once, and kissing is just fine. When we have something a bit more stationary, such as the icons at the front of the church, we should cross ourselves twice with a bow, kiss the icon or touch it with our hands or even forehead, then we cross ourselves a third and final time at the end. When it comes to items such as the Cross that is set up for the Exaltation or the Shroud of Christ/



Plaschenytsia, we should do poklony or prostrations. This is where we cross ourselves followed by a full bow to the ground on our knees. The same process is used: two prostrations, kiss/touch icon/cross, one final prostration at the end.



The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg

joyfully invites the faithful to the celebration
of the Solemn Hierarchical Divine Liturgy of Installation of

Most Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski

*As the Fourth Archbishop of the Winnipeg Archeparchy
and Metropolitan of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada*

Presided over by

His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk

Father and Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church

In the presence of

His Excellency Most Reverend Ivan Jurkovič

Apostolic Nuncio to Canada

Sunday, the Eighth of November,
Two Thousand and Twenty-Six
at Ten O'Clock in the Morning

Sts. Volodymyr and Olha Cathedral
115 McGregor Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba

A Celebratory Banquet will follow the Divine Liturgy

*Tickets are available for \$100 each; please contact us at 204.338.7801 or
installation@archeparchy.ca*

After the banquet, see Edmonton's Juno-winning all-male choir Axios
at Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral at 7:00 PM.

INSTALLATION TICKETS!

We still have room for **5 more individuals** to attend the installation Divine Liturgy & Banquet of our new Metropolitan, Michael Kwiatkowski. If you are interested, please reach out to Fr. Jay as soon as possible. Deadline for ticket sales is October 15, so we need to submit information before then.

WELCOME FR. JOHN!

During Fr. Jay's absence on Sunday, October 4th, Fr. John Sianchuk, C.Ss.R. will be here filling in. He will serve both Divine Liturgies in Shoal Lake & Rosburn that Sunday. Please welcome him warmly to our district, as you always do!

FR. JAY RIDES THE BULL!

Some of you may have already seen that Fr. Jay will be riding a mechanical bull at Russell's Beef & Barley Festival! The bull riding competition is a charity event that is scheduled to take place on Saturday, October 10th at the George P. Buleziuk Centre at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome to come cheer him on in this charity rodeo. Tickets are \$20.

As this is a charity event, Fr. Jay will be taking pledges for his ride. Unfortunately the rules do not allow fundraising for religious groups, so Fr. Jay has chosen Vinok Ukrainian Dance Group as his charity. Funds will help the adult group purchase costumes! A pledge form will be available at the entrance to the church.



MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Catholics are called to take civic life seriously and to vote with a well-formed conscience for the common good. In municipal elections, where candidates are often non-partisan, consider each person's character, competence, record, and proposals, and how these may affect human dignity, the vulnerable, justice, and the wider community. A non-partisan election is not a morally neutral one: candidates should be assessed as individuals, not simply by popularity or personal advantage.



Not every issue has the same moral weight, and no single concern should eclipse the whole common good. Catholics should give particular weight to policies that promote intrinsically evil acts, while carefully considering a candidate's positions and likely effects overall. A vote for a candidate who holds an objectionable position may sometimes be justified for proportionate reasons, such as limiting harm, provided the voter does not intend to support that evil.

We encourage every parishioner to be sure get out and vote on **Wednesday, October 28th!** If you need a ride, please reach out to your fellow parishioners and ask for help.



Vigil Candle Intentions Week of October 26: *In memory of +Annie Wilk by Kay Wilk*



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

Rosburn PCH:

Kay Luba
Helen Sidoryk
Pauline Sidoryk
Verna Juba
Josephine Genovie
Olga Herechuk
Henry Hrubeniuk

Shoal Lake PCH:

Olga Bomak
Anne Kowal
Eileen Ewachewski
Olga Melnyk
Milton Ostash

Sandy Lake PCH:

Anne Macksymchuk
Zenon Gerelus
Ernie Dmyterko
Teenie Buternowsky
Lena Kalyniak

Liturgical Schedule and Sacraments

Sundays: 9:00am & 11:30am (check schedule for locations) **Saturdays:** 10:30am (check schedule for locations)

Tuesday - Fridays: 10:00am - Rosburn (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
				<i>Protection of the BVM¹</i> Divine Liturgy 10:00am Birthday Blessings for Helen Byskal	2	3
<i>19th Sun. after Pentecost</i> 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Rosburn	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Fr. Jay away	-	Annual Clergy Retreat			
<i>Fathers of 7th Council</i> 9:00am - Rosburn 11:30am - Oakburn	12	13	14	15	16	17
		Divine Liturgy 10:00am 65 th Anniversary Blessings for Ed & Sylvia Paster Shank	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Metro Stanchuk by Debra Thickett	Shoal Lake PCH 10:00am	Sandy Lake PCH 10:00am	10:30am - Mtn. Rd. PRAZNYK
<i>21st Sun. after Pentecost</i> 9:00am - Shoal Lake 11:30am - Lakedale with AGM to follow	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Stan & +Hrs Fuman by Kathleen Fuman	Rosburn PCH 10:00am	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Michael & +Gladys Stanchuk by Debra Thickett		10:30am - Sandy Lake
<i>22nd Sun. after Pentecost</i> 9:00am - Oakburn 11:30am - Angusville with AGM to follow	26	27	28	29	30	31
	<i>Martyr Demetrius</i>	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Bill & +Lucy Walker by Kathleen Fuman	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Craig Zeniak by David Sytryk	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +Tom Schneider by Diane Rogers	Divine Liturgy 10:00am +John & +Kathy Nychek by Kathleen Fuman	