

## Holy Week Services

**Monday, April 16 - 7:00 p.m.** Evening Prayer  
**Tuesday, April 17 - 7:00 p.m.** Evening Prayer  
**Wednesday, April 18 - 7:00 p.m.** Evening Prayer and Vigil  
**Thursday, April 19 - 6:30 p.m.** Sedar Supper and Communion  
**Good Friday, April 20 - 12 noon to 3:00 p.m.** (3 services): The Litany; Ante-Communion; Evening Prayer and Compline  
**Saturday, April 21 - 10 p.m.** Easter Vigil with Communion  
**Sunday, Easter day, April 22 - 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.** Holy Communion 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer.

### Happy Birthday, Mother



Love,  
 Brenda, Kim, Tina, John  
 & Mary

by Anne Todesco  
 When one travels around Rosspport today, it is difficult to visualize what the unorganized township looked like about 200 years ago when some of our settlers arrived to make this village their hometown. The village was in evidence a good many years before that date. This being Ontario's bicentennial year it is only natural that the intervening years have brought tremendous change and growth. We have come a long way from the small backwoods settlement and the strictly rural atmosphere of the early 1800's and its log cabins.

The little community bustled into a commerce, industry and many fine homes and we are looking forward to even further expansion and growth in the years ahead. However, along with our eagerness and desire to build a bright future, we cannot afford to ignore or forget our past, which all its triumphs and adversities, has helped to mold the character of the present

# Progress in Rosspport

times. It has made the past come alive for us and we are left much richer for the knowledge of our heritage.

In the past few years several new homes were built either on old family lots by the present generation or on new property by strangers who acquired property here recently. Other buildings have been renovated, one being the old Women's Institute Hall. It has had a face lift by the committee with a new kitchen and running water installed, new walls and insulation indoors and new siding. They have developed it into quite a community recreation centre. Some of the activities that take place are community meetings, Bingos, youth film nights, a games night for adults only, Keep Fit exercises, etc.

The Catholic Church has also been renovated with new siding, roof and interior decorating. Many property owners have reverted back to heating their homes by burning wood and we now boast street signs. There are plans being made to build a fire hall this year. The hotel has been renovated and is expected to open for the summer season. There is a promise of the old rink to be rebuilt this year to be ready for the next winter's skating exercises. That is a very pleasant piece of news. The lane back of the churches was re-opened this year. Its a great many years, long before my time here that it was in use. The Nicol Island project is developing and a causeway over

the sand bar at the east end of the village is to be completed by the end of June, thus enabling people to drive over to the island.

For all Ontarians the year 1984 will be a memorable time in our history, being Ontario's Bicentennial year. From the Manitoban border to the Quebec province, from the Great Lakes to the Arctic people of Ontario are busy planning their different events to celebrate this historical year with high enthusiasm. The magical islands of our bay are busy sights now with surveying and prospecting for the precious gold. We are looking forward to having some old mine sites opened for development and hope to see our village develop into a larger community. We have the harbour both for anchorage and shipping.

Although schools and books found a growing place in the life of our early settlers, their first concern of course, was the commercial fishing. In the passing years we had over twenty tug and fish boats operating out of the harbour, then the lamprey eel made inroads on the fish, destroying many trout, whitefish and other species. This resulted in the owners selling their fish boats and equipment, seeking employment elsewhere till retirement time. As a result there is only one tug engaged in this old industry. Many of our hardy old fishermen have passed on, the younger generation

are following other walks of life. It is sad to know that this old industry that was in bible days is missing from our village. We still miss the boats whistles at six in the morning as they left for their fishing grounds and the return whistle, a signal to the fish packer that the boats were returning with their haul of fish.

A bicentennial committee with Charles Huterli, chairman is busy planning various events for the year. Among them will be a family picnic, serving food as near as possible as in the 1700's. They hope to be able to provide a meal of fish, wild meat, pork and bean, tea biscuits or bannock, sauces and relishes, all topped off with old fashioned blueberry cake. This will be held on the civic holiday weekend at the Rosspport Park opposite of Mac's Service Station and store.

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on their property, his friendly chats as he would walk along the street, and his many contributions to the history of the area. Felix had been a commercial fisherman most of his life except a short while spent in lumber camps. He fished from Port Coldwell, Lake Nipigon and out of Rosspport until the lamprey eel made enroads on the fish, then he worked on the Trans Canada highway till retirement.

He is a master mind at advice and suggestions for different repairs and boats. Some would think them out of fashion but his suggestions always are sound. His hobby is gardening but he has others such as building picnic tables, chairs, lamps and his work on driftwood is a real work of art. He is never found idle, his hands are always busy and he has enjoyed working at the church long hours and never accepted compensation for the work. Good luck and happy times to Felix in his new home. We all miss you very much. You are part of Rosspport Village.

Welcome back to Ned Basher, the owner of the Rosspport Inn. He is putting the finishing touches to the building before opening for business. It will be great to have the dining room open again for home cooked meals. We missed this service in our village while the hotel was closed.

Herbert Legault is home from The McCausland Hospital and we are all quite pleased to have you home again, Herbie.

Another industry flourishing out of Rosspport, is fur trapping. Many of the present villagers trap on lines that their forefathers worked. Beavers have been on the short supply this winter but foxes, wolves, martins etc. are plentiful.

Lumbering was a very popular industry one time here and is back in a small way with the villagers cutting and hauling firewood. Heating a building with wood as fuel is supposed to provide more heat and comfort to a home.



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