Liturgical Schedule 33rd Week after Pentecost January 17 2021

Thirty-third Sunday after Pentecost-Sunday of Zacchaeus

Saturday January 16, 2021

<u>Dunlo</u> <u>5:00 PM</u> Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday January 17, 2021

Portage <u>9:00 AM</u> Sunday Divine Liturgy

[For the **Protection of Human Life** on the occasion of the Annual March for Life, by Julie Brenna]

Thursday January 21

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour

<u>Portage</u> 8:00 am Divine Liturgy--[+John Havrilla, by John and Barbara Havrilla]

Friday January 22

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour

Portage 8:00 am Divine Liturgy--[+Joseph Raptosh, by Steve & Margie Fleck]

Sat. January 23, 2021

Portage 3:00 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance
Beaverdale 4:30 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

Saturday January 23, 2021

Beaverdale 5:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy [+ Elizabeth Harrigal, by Marcie and Doug Roxby

Sunday January 24, 2021

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy

Zacchaeus: This is an appealing and delightful Gospel account [<u>Luke 19:1-10</u>]. His glaring faults as chief tax-collector include dishonesty and his greed in taking advantage of the tax payers. Yet there is something appealing about Zacchaeus. His prominent position does not inhibit him from running to see Jesus. Small of stature and despised by the local citizens, he is a pitiful figure "left out" on the margins. The hallmark of his encounter with Jesus is joy. He hurries down from the sycamore tree, flushed with joy, to be welcomed by Jesus. The joy which overflows in his heart prompts him to give half of his possessions to the poor and make four-fold restitution. Joy also is the stamp of our own return to the Lord in heartfelt, sincere repentance.

<u>Eastern Christian Formation</u> The *Christmas-Theophany vacation* for *ECF Classes* is from <u>Sunday, December 27</u> to <u>January 10</u>. Classes resume <u>TODAY--Sunday, January 17</u>.

Sanctuary Candle... The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week at Saints Peter and Paul, Portage in memory of **+ John Havrilla**, requested by John and Barbara Havrilla.

Cemetery Donation: We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery, Dunlo from *Most Reverend John M. Kudrick*, Bishop Emeritus of the Eparchy of Parma.

<u>COVID-19 Grant to our Parishes from GCU:</u> The *GCU Board of Directors* has generously awarded a *\$1000 COVID-19 Grant* to each Byzantine Catholic [Ruthenian] parish in the United States. We gratefully acknowledge grant to each of our respective parishes:

\$1,000 to Saints Peter and Paul, Portage;

\$1,000 to Saint Mary's, Beaverdale;

\$1,000 to Saints Peter and Paul, Dunlo;

Inauguration: Please remember in prayer the inauguration of **President Joseph Biden** on Wednesday, January 20; and all the needs of our nation and those who govern and protect us.

Offerings for December					
	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	<u>Christmas</u>
Portage:	\$1,986.00	\$2,271.00	\$2,085.00	\$2,318.00	\$3,285.00
Beaverdale:	\$ 355.00	\$ 495.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 611.00	\$ 1,045.00
<u>Dunlo</u> :	\$ 113.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 371.00	\$ 231.00	\$ 407.00

Theophany Water: When approaching to draw the blessed water, please *maintain six feet distance* as kept when approaching for Communion, and use the *hand sanitizer* and *face masks* on a table next to the blessed water. Those who wish to have their *home blessed* with the blessed Theophany water may contact Father Jim to determine appropriate date as circumstances allow.

<u>All Souls Commemoration for 2021:</u> The first *All Souls Commemoration* is <u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 6</u> [Meatfare Saturday]. Use the *All Souls* envelope to enter names of deceased family members to be remembered at the Divine Liturgy and Panachida on the All Souls Saturdays.

Please indicate if the names listed are <u>in addition</u> to previous years' lists or to replace the previous years; and return the envelope at your earliest convenience to help in maintaining All Souls listing.

Your cooperation with guidelines posted in the narthex is appreciated.

- Face masks are required to protect one another [provided in narthex for your convenience.]
- After each person has received, the *Communion spoon* is sanitized in a vessel containing an alcohol product [75% alcohol] which is drinkable, to encourage participation in the Eucharist.

Remember in Prayer

<u>For the Health of:</u> Deacon Daniel Perich; Ann Mishock [Health Encompass, Altoona]; Pauline Barelick [Memorial Hospital]; Joan Plishka; Donna Block; Marge Fleck; Father Richard Lambert; and all the ill and homebound of our parishes.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS AND NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

<u>At home:</u> <u>SS Peter & Paul (Portage)</u>: Dorothy Billy; Catherine Czapp Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh;; Cathy Walters; Helen Zaher **St. Mary (Beaverdale)**: Catherine McGough.

NURSING & OTHER CARE FACILITIES: Saint Benedict Manor, Carrolltown: Catherine Thrower [Dunlo]; Arbutus Park Manor: Margaret Rachael [Dunlo]; Autumn View: June Nezneski;

<u>Amber Hills:</u> Ebensburg: Father Ronald Borsuk; <u>John Paul II Manor</u>, Cresson: Kathryn Mackovyak

<u>Just Like Home Personal Care</u>, Cresson: Dorothy Resconich

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<u>Mysteries of Christian Initiation</u>: There is to be **preparatory instruction** for parents and godparents prior to the celebration of the **Mysteries of Christian Initiation** — **Baptism, Chrismation,** and **Eucharist**. Christian Initiation may be celebrated with the Sunday Divine Liturgy. Those selected to be sponsors must be persons who are qualified to be a sponsor according the norms of Church law and practice.

<u>Crowning in Marriage:</u> A six month period of preparation is to precede the marriage. Couples are to meet with the pastor before other arrangements are scheduled. The **Pre-Cana Program** offered by the Archeparchy in the spring of each year is a *required* part of the marriage preparation for all couples.

<u>Holy Anointing & Pastoral Care of the III:</u> Please contact the pastor prior to surgery or in the event of illness to require the **Mystery of Holy Anointing**. When you or a family member are hospitalized or enter a nursing home or other facility, **please inform the pastor**.

Mystery of Repentance (Confessions): Saturdays: 3:00 p.m. (Portage) and 4:30 pm (Beaverdale/Dunlo). Also, ½ hour before services [except Sunday], and by appointment.

<u>Opportunities for Stewardship</u>: Parishioners are asked to make a commitment of **Time, Talent, and Treasure**... **Work Parties:** first Saturday of each month; **Church Cleaning** the first Monday.