

Liturgical Schedule Fourth Paschal Week May 15, 2022

Fifth Paschal Sunday - Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Saturday May 14

Dunlo **5:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday May 15

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Fleck, by Tony & Carol Pyo]

Monday, May 16

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Ed Nezeski, by Ken Brletic]

Wednesday, May 18

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy *For the Grace of the Holy Spirit*

Saturday May 21

Portage 3:00 PM Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]
Beaverdale 4:30 PM Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]

Sixth Paschal Sunday - Sunday of the Man Born Blind

Saturday May 21

Beaverdale **5:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday May 22

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Ron Yuhas, by Arnold & Joyce Smorto]

Coffee Social... Next Sunday, May 22 in the church hall, following the Divine Liturgy.

This will be our first *Coffee Social* since Sunday, March 1, 2020. Please plan to come for this opportunity to greet fellow parishioners and to enjoy the refreshments provided.

The Paschal Season During this fifty day period of joyful celebration of the after Pascha, *Mid-Pascha* marks the mid-point of this season. Mid-Pascha was observed this past Wednesday and continues through May 18. Mid-Pascha celebrates the giving of life by God through the Resurrection and by the sending of the Holy Spirit. We recognize how God nourishes with spiritual gifts.

- We share the greeting "*Christ is risen!*", "*Indeed He is risen!*" from now until Ascension, which is derived from the greeting of the disciples [Luke 24:34].
- Through the fifty days from Pascha [Sunday of the Resurrection] until Pentecost, there is no kneeling at any time of prayer.

Eternal Memory: Kindly remember in your prayers, **+Father Robert Jones**, Pastor of St. Mary, Weirton, West Virginia, and Administrator of St John, Avella, Pennsylvania who has unexpectedly fallen asleep in the Lord on Thursday, May 12. *In blessed repose grant O Lord eternal rest to your departed servant the priest Robert and remember him forever!*

Annual Festival: the next *Meeting* is scheduled for Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 pm in the social room of the church hall. Our **Annual Festival/Church Picnic**. Is on Sunday, July 10, 2022.

Eastern Christian Formation: An *End of the Year* celebration at the Ranger miniature golf and ice cream in Sidman is being planned. Parents will be informed of details.

The *First Penance* celebration for **Max Erzal** and **Bryce Harrington** is Sunday, May 29.

Graduates 2022: Please submit the names of parishioners who are graduating in 2022 from high school, college, etc. and include degrees earned and special awards. . Place information in an envelope in the offering box, or call [736-9780] or send to: james_armand_spontak@verizon.net

Summer Maintenance, especially grass cutting has resumed in recent weeks.

- This summer Bob Crum will do the grass cutting for Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery, Portage. Ernie Podrasky and Barry Bolvin are volunteering to do the cemetery weed trimming.
- Deacon Dan Perich; Marie and Marty Johnson; and Doug Roxby are volunteering for the grass cutting and other maintenance at Saint Mary's Cemetery in Beaverdale.
- Ed Myers and Myers Cemetery Care are doing the grass cutting at Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery in Dunlo; and Saint Michel's Cemetery, South Fork.
- John Rocker and son Justin are volunteering for the grass cutting and weed trimming for the parish grounds at Saints Peter and Paul, Portage.
- Deacon Daniel Perich and Mark Sasek are volunteering for grass cutting at Saint Mary's Church, Beaverdale; Deacon Daniel is also volunteering for grass cutting at Saints Peter and Paul, Dunlo.

We thank our volunteers for their generous donation of their time and dedication for each of our parishes and cemeteries. Also, thank you for your cemetery offerings throughout the year to provide adequate maintenance of the parish cemeteries especially during the summer months.

The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of **+Joseph** and **Margaret Halovich**, requested by Louise Halovich.

2023 Synod of Bishops Completed surveys questionnaires are to be returned to the container in the narthex by today--Sunday, May 15. .

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle: *We ask our volunteers for holding the Troitsja and distributing bulletins to inform Father Jim of your summer schedules for vocations and times to be away, so that the schedule may be made to accommodate these times. Thank you.*

<u>Sunday May 15</u>	<u>Candle:</u> Bella Koban	<u>Bulletins:</u>	Lexie Slanoc & Easton Slanoc
<u>Sunday May 22:</u>	<u>Candle:</u> Easton Slanoc	<u>Bulletins:</u>	Ryan Lenz & Evan Lenz
<u>Sunday May 29:</u>	<u>Candle:</u> Evan Lenz	<u>Bulletins:</u>	Abby Koban & Bella Koban

Remember in Prayer: The Health of: Shawn Crum; Steve Paluch; *Jason Thornton; Charlett Thornton; Catherine McGough; Carol Slifko; Deacon Daniel Perich; Donna Block; Holly Pawvluk; Michael & Pauline Barelick;* and all the ill, homebound. The **2023 Synod of Bishops**, "For Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission." **HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:: SS Peter & Paul (Portage):** Dorothy Billy; Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; Cathy Walters;. **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Homewood,** Martinsburg: *Charles Plishka* [Beaverdale]; **Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Helen Zaher; **Autumn View:** June Nezneski; **The Palms** [McKeesport]: Marian Simala; **John Paul II Manor,** Cresson: Kathryn Mackovyak; **Cambria Care,** Ebensburg: Dorothy Resconich; **Forest Hills Personal Care,** Sidman: Kathryn Malley.

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Mysteries of Christian Initiation: 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 to the norms of Church law and practice.

Crowning in Marriage: 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.

Holy Anointing & Pastoral Care of the Ill: 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.