

Liturgical Schedule Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost September 27, 2020

<u>Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost</u>		
Sat. September 26		
Dunlo	5:00 pm	Vigil Divine Liturgy-
Sun. September 27		
Portage	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy [+John & +Catherine Sekerak by Kathy Sekerak]
Tuesday, September 29		
Portage	7:45 AM	The Third Hour
Portage	8:00 am	Divine Liturgy--[+Peg Chulick, by Nancy & Matt Hoffman]
<u>Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos Mary</u>		
Thursday, October 1		
Portage	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy
Beaverdale	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy --[+Anna Andrykovitch, by Mark & Larry Sasek]
Sat. October 3		
Portage	1:00 pm	<i>Mystery of Crowning in Marriage-- Paul Anthony Hook and Abigail Rose Shaffer</i>
	3:00 pm	<i>Confessions-Mystery of Repentance</i>
Beaverdale	4:30 pm	<i>Confessions-Mystery of Repentance</i>
<u>Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost</u>		
Sat. October 3		
Beaverdale	5:00 pm	Vigil Divine Liturgy--]
Sun. October 4		
Portage	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy [+Steven Thomas Vrabel, by Fred & Elaine Vrabel]

Eastern Christian Formation: There is a Catechists meeting this morning, Sunday, September 27 in the social room of the church hall, following the Divine Liturgy, as we prepare for ***Catechetical Sunday*** and beginning of the 2020-2021 Eastern Christian Formation class sessions.

Catechetical Sunday and the beginning of the **2020-2021 Eastern Christian Formation** classes is Sunday, October 4. There is ample room in the class room areas to provide the appropriate distance for students. We ask students to have their own masks. We will follow protocols of the public schools for "mask breaks" etc. These plans will be reviewed as circumstances may warrant.

Parents are reminded of the *weekly online resources* for Catechists and parents from ***God With Us Publications***. Parents are encouraged to register at info@easterncatholic.org. Each week you will receive an email offering resources for at-home catechesis as well as resources for the programs at our parish. Please select "*Ruthenian Catechetical Resources*".

An on-line series of classes by Fr. David Anderson, ***God With Us: The Art of Catechesis in the Orthodox Tradition***, will be presented on Wednesdays, October 7-28, from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. This will be an invaluable opportunity to learn how to share the faith specifically in light of our beautiful Eastern traditions. You can register at info@easterncatholic.org.

Feast of the Protection of Mary the Theotokos is celebrated on Thursday, October 1. This is the patronal feast of Saint Mary's Holy Protection Parish in Beavertdale. This feast commemorates Mary's protection in specific instances in history. We acknowledge her on this day as "A ready help for those in trouble; the salvation and confirmation of the world; the depth of mercy; the fount of God's wisdom; the Protectress of the world." [Stichera at Vespers of the Feast]

Chicken BBQ—THANK YOU! A sincere thank you for the many hours of work in preparation and the fine spirit of cooperation for our **Chicken BBQ** featuring Tony Pyo's bacon wrapped chicken yesterday. Over 330 dinners were served at the drive-through tent. More detailed results and acknowledgment of volunteers will be listed in next Sunday's bulletin.

New Pavilion for Picnic Grounds: A generous donation from parishioner +Michael Mazur, who fell asleep in the Lord on November 5, 2019, provided for a new pavilion on the picnic grounds. Plans for the design are being drawn and the site has been selected. The Ticket Booth and Chuck-a-luck stand have been relocated and one of the stands that was in severe disrepair is being removed, to allow space for the pavilion. Details will be updated as plans develop further.

Work Party & Church Cleaning for October

- The **Work Party** will be on **Friday, October 2**, at **9:00 am**.
- The date for the **Church Cleaning** for October will be announced in next Sunday's bulletin.
- Please note these changes from the usual scheduled dates. **Thanks** to our volunteers.

Thank you for your cooperation with guidelines posted in the narthex. Face masks are required to protect one another. After each person has received, the Communion spoon is sanitized in a vessel containing an alcohol product of 75% alcohol, which is drinkable should any remain on the spoon. This adjustment is to encourage participation in the Eucharist.

Remember in Prayer: *Rochelle Berzansky; Marge Fleck;* and all the ill, homebound of our parish communities. We also remember those who are ill with the Coronavirus and the needs of parish family and one another at this time of pandemic

Also Deacon Robert Jones, Deacon Brian Norrell, Subdeacon. Kyprian Wojciechowski, John Welch, Luke Iyengar, Nate Tapsak, Ryan Black, Tyler Wisniewski.; all the seminary community; and all of those discerning a call to the priesthood, diaconate, or monastic and religious life

Annual Fall Basket Auction at St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church, 719 Chestnut Avenue, Northern Cambria Saturday, October 3 5—7 pm; Sunday, October 4, 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. Drawing at 3:00 pm Sunday. All winners can pick up their baskets 4 pm—6 pm at the church hall. Tickets: \$5/26 tickets. Take-out food available. *Coronavirus guidelines* followed; wear masks

BBQ Chicken Dinner in Gallitzin: St. Demetrius Church in Gallitzin, "Drive-thru/Pick-up Dinner" **BBQ Chicken Dinner**, Sunday, Sept. 27. \$10.00/dinner includes 1/2 BBQ Chicken; 2-Sides and Dessert. Dinners from 11:00 am until sold out. . Enter via the Activities Center driveway below 611 Church Street, obtain your meals, and exit onto Convent St

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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 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.

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