

Liturgical Schedule Tenth Week after Pentecost August 7, 2022

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost--*Postfestive Day of Transfiguration*

Saturday August 6

Dunlo 5:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy
[Tom & Mary Jane Goncher—50th Wedding Anniversary; by Dr. Carole Medvesky]

Sunday August 7

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, August 10

Portage 7:15 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Albert Lesko, by Walt and Mary Ann Hoberney]

Thursday, August 11

Portage 7:15 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Prudhoe by Jim & Kryz McCabe]

Saturday August 13

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

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost--*Prefestive Day of the Dormition*

Saturday August 13

Beaverdale 5:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy
[+Elizabeth Harrigal—100th Birthday Remembrance; by Doug and Marcie Roxby]

Sunday August 14

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy

Seminarian Luke Iyengar: On behalf of our parish family in Portage, Beaverdale and Dunlo, Fr. Jim wants to express sincere gratitude to Reader Luke Iyengar for his presence, generous service and availability in all areas of parish life these past two months. We extend to him our prayers and support as he continues his formation and discernment for the priesthood

Reader Luke offers this reflection as he completes his Pastoral Practicum Program today.

“You’re all great. From the moment I arrived in June, you welcomed me into the life of our churches in Portage, Beaverdale, and Dunlo, and this has been the best summer I’ve had in years. And now, it’s time for me to say both thank you, and goodbye. I’ve really enjoyed being part of parish life, whether in helping to cantor services, or setting up for the festival, or any of the other things I’ve been involved in over the summer. Most of all, I’ve enjoyed getting to know many of you, and I wish I had been able to get to know all of you.

“I hope to return and visit, and look forward to seeing what the Lord does in this parish in the years ahead. One of my final projects was working with Deacon Dan to fix the rectory’s main door, and I hope this serves to make our church an even more welcoming place in the future!

“Finally, I ask you all to pray for me as I head into this final year of seminary and beyond. Be assured of my prayers as well, and know that our parishes here will always have a special place in my heart. Glory to Jesus Christ

Many Happy Years: Congratulations and prayerful best wishes to **Tom** and **Mary Jane Goncher** from the former Saint Michael's in South Fork, on their **50th Wedding Anniversary**, August 5.

The Fast of the Dormition is observed from **August 1-14**. The fasts of the Church Year invite us to a concerted effort to put God first in our lives through prayer; almsgiving, and fasting. At home displaying an icon of the Theotokos with a candle and flowers helps to keep the season in our minds. Family meal times may present an opportunity for prayer and perhaps reading from the Scriptures.

Parish Advisory Council Meeting for **Saint Mary**, Beaverdale; and **Saints Peter and Paul**, Dunlo scheduled for **Monday August 8** will be rescheduled for a new date in the fall.

80th Annual Pilgrimage at Mount Saint Macrina *In honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help* **September 3 and 4, 2022**. Follow us on Facebook for updates: www.sistersofstbasil.org.

Parishioners who might wish to attend and would be in need of transportation are asked to call the parish office [814073609780] or contact Father Jim [james_armand_spontak@verizon.net.

Fatima Devotions: The Franciscan Friars from Loretto, invite you to participate in celebrating Fatima Devotions, **Saturday, August 13** in the gardens at Mount Assisi, 6:30pm. In case of inclement weather, at the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel. We are really looking forward to seeing you

Altoona Curve Game—Rained-out: Our thanks to **Reader Luke Iyengar** for organizing this parish outing and to all who signed up for this event. Ticket-holders are reminded that tickets may be exchanged for any remaining **2022 Altoona Curve** game at the PNG Park in Altoona.

Workshop for Catechists: and also for Parents, Grandparents. **“Our Children: Providing Inner Strength for Challenging Times”**, on **Saturday, August 13**, 9:15 am-3:15 pm at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary. Brochures are in the narthex.

Celebration of Marriage to honor married couples observing **Wedding Anniversaries** of **10, 25, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60**, or *additional years in multiples of five* in 2022; **Sunday, September 11**. . Please inform Father Jim if you are observing one of these anniversaries in 2022.

Bulletins and “Troitsja” Candle:

Sunday August 7	Candle: Easton Slanoc	Bulletins:	Lexie Slanoc & Easton Slanoc
Sunday August 14	Candle: Lexie Slanoc	Bulletins:	Ryan Lenz & Evan Lenz
Sunday August 21	Candle: Evan Lenz	Bulletins:	Lexie Slanoc & Easton Slanoc

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.*

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; **Maple Winds:** June Nezeski; **Baldwin Health Center:** 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.