Liturgical Schedule Fifth Week after Pentecost June 25, 2023						
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost						
<u>Saturday June 24</u> Dunlo	<u>5:00 PM</u>	Vigil Divine Liturgy [Theresa & Bill Garanich-54th Wedding Anniversary, by Marilyn Jenkins]				
<u>Sunday June 25</u> Portage	<u>9:00 AM</u>	Sunday Divine Liturgy				
Tuesday, June27 Portage 8:00 AM	7:45 AM Divine Liturgy	The Third Hour [+Mike Mazur, by Tom & Lisa Pyo]				
Feast of the Holy Preeminent Apostles Peter and Paul						
Wednesday June Dunlo Thursday, June 2	6:00 PM Vespers with the Divine Liturgy					
Portage	<u>6:30 PM</u>	Divine Liturgy [+John Mazur, by Julie Brenna]				
<u>Saturday July 1</u> Portage Beaverdale	3:00 PN 4:30 PN					
		Fifth Sunday after Pentecost				
<u>Saturday July 1</u> Beaverdale <u>Sunday July 2</u>	<u>5:00 PM</u>	Vigil Divine Liturgy				
Portage	<u>9:00 AM</u>	Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Frank Yetsko, by Alice Ference]				
<ul> <li>Annual Festival – Sunday, July 9: Basket of Cheer donations may be placed in the container in the ushers' room. Festival Raffle Tickets: Additional tickets are available from the ushers.</li> <li>Sign-up Lists for the Festival and the Basket Raffle are posted in the narthex.</li> <li>Bake Sale: Please help us to have ample display of Baked Goods for this popular feature.</li> <li>At Picnic Grounds: Thursday, July 6 setting up tents, placing tables, etc. [6:00 pm]. Help is always needed. Saturday, July 8. [9:00 am], the day before the Festival, preparing the grounds.</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>Graduates 2023: Today we recognize and congratulate these 2023 Graduates from the parish:</li> <li>Abrielle Koban, Portage Area High School.</li> <li>Arabella Koban, Portage Area High School.</li> <li>Alyssa Murphy, Master's Degree in Molecular Biology, May 20, 2023, Lehigh University. She will be attending medical school this fall at Drexel University School of Medicine and hopes to pursue a career in cardiothoracic surgery or emergency medicine.</li> <li>Bella Single, Portage Area High School.</li> <li>Lexi Slanoc, Portage Area High School.</li> <li>Prayerful best wishes to each of these Graduates on their accomplishments and in their continuing endeavors and pursuits. Many, happy years! Please let Father Jim know of omissions or corrections.</li> </ul>						

The Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul: This feast holds particular significance as he patronal feast of both our Portage and Dunlo parish communities.

"Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome under Emperor Nero in the year 67. Peter was crucified head down, at his own request, and Paul, in his quality of Roman Citizen, was beheaded. The Church unites them in a common celebration and gives them identical honor.

"Peter, a brother of Andrew the First-Called, was from Bethsaida. They were the sons of Jonas, of the tribe of Simeon. They lived by the work of their hands. At the time when John the Baptist was in prison, Jesus came to the Lake of Genesareth, and, finding Peter and Andrew mending their nets, He called them and they followed Him without hesitation. Peter preached the Gospel in Judea, founded the Church of Antioch and finally came to Rome.

"Paul, a Pharisee, belonged to the tribe of Benjamin. He was born in Tarsus of Asia Minor. At first, he persecuted the Church with great zeal and violence, imprisoning and killing the Christians. But Christ appeared to him on the way to Damascus and changed his heart. He was baptized in Damascus by Ananias. He was to become one of the greatest exponents of Christ's teachings, which he explained in his letters or epistles." [Archbishop Joseph Raya, Byzantine Daily Worship p. 711-712].

**Deacon Tyler Wisniewski** continues at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary in Pittsburgh assisting with the School of Diaconate Studies. There he is serving as deacon at all liturgical services; assisting as porter, sacristan, and in the kitchen, with three meals served every day. Deacon Tyler is returning to Portage on Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please remember in prayer these Deacon candidates and also Deacon Tyler.

## Church Cleaning & Work Party for July:

- The Work Party for July is scheduled for Saturday, July 1, at 9:00 am.
- The *Church Cleaning* for July is scheduled for <u>Monday, July 3</u>, at <u>9:00 am.</u>

<u>Celebration of Marriage</u> to honor married couples observing *Wedding Anniversaries* of 10, 25, 35, 10, 45, 50, 55, 60, or additional years in multiples of five in 2023; <u>Sunday, September 10</u>. A Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving by Metropolitan William at St. Elias Church in Munhall at 3 pm; followed by a dinner. Please inform Father Jim if you are observing one of these anniversaries in 2023 by <u>Sunday, July.</u>

Sanctuary Candle: is offered this week for +John Mazur, by Julie Brenna.

## "Troitsja" Candle & Carillon Bells; Bulletins:

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<u>uly 2</u>	Candle & Bells	Lexie Slanoc	<b>Bulletins</b> :	Lexie Slanoc & Easton Slanoc

**Remember in Prayer:** For the repose of the soul of +Robert N. Matoka, Father Jim's cousin. For The Health of: Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; Shawn Crum; Katie Czapp; Darlene Shaner; Steve Paluch; Jason Thornton; Charlett Thornton; Catherine McGough; Carol Slifko; Deacon Daniel Perich; Donna Block; Michael & Pauline Barelick; and all the ill, homebound.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: <u>SS Peter & Paul (Portage)</u>: Dorothy Billy; Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; Joanne Stewart; Cathy Walters;. <u>Saint Mary,</u> <u>Beaverdale:</u> Carol Slifko; <u>NURSING & CARE FACILITIES</u>: <u>Rebekah Manor</u>, Portage: Helen Zaher; <u>Maple</u> <u>Winds</u>: June Nezneski; <u>John Paul II Manor</u>, *Cresson*: Kathryn Mackovyak; <u>Quality Life Services</u>: Catherine McGough, Beaverdale Saints Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church--143 Church Drive—Portage, Pennsylvania 15946 814-736-9780 St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church—Beaverdale; Ss. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church--Dunlo Father James A. Spontak Deacon Daniel Perich Email: james\_armand\_spontak@verizon.net; www.ByzantineCatholic.net;

<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.

Holy Anointing & Pastoral Care of the III: 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.

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

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