Liturgical Schedule Tenth Week after Pentecost July 30, 2023				
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost				
Saturday July 29 Beaverdale Sunday July 30	<u>5:00 PM</u>	Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Ben and +Ann Zaremba, by Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Estok		
Portage	9:00 AM	Sunday Divine Lit	Sunday Divine Liturgy	
Wednesday Augus	at 2			
Portage	7:45 AM 8:00 AM	The Third Hour Divine Liturgy	[+George Rachael, by Margaret Rachael]	
Thursday August 3	3			
Portage	7:45 AM 8:00 AM	The Third Hour Divine Liturgy	[+Brian T. Tutsock by Louise & Rick Shope]	
Saturday July 5				
Portage Dunlo	3:00 PM 4:30 PM	, , ,	Mystery of Repentance [Confessions] Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]	
	Fe	ast of the Transfi	guration of Our Lord	
Saturday August Dunlo Sunday August 6	·	Vespers with Divine Liturgy		
Portage	9:00 AM	Sunday Divine I	Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Ed "Moose" Pyo, by Darlene Shaner]	

<u>Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord:</u> The blessing *grapes and other fruit* takes place on this Feast, as we give thanks to God for the harvest of the summer fruits. You are encouraged to bring grapes and other fruit on this occasion. This blessing will follow *Vespers with Divine Liturgy* at Saints Peter and Paul, Dunlo; and the Divine Liturgy at Saints Peter & Paul, Portage.

<u>The Fast of the Dormition</u> is observed from <u>August 1-14</u>. 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.

Food Items Remaining from Annual Festival:

- Frozen French Fries--\$7.00/5 lb. bag.
- *Ice Cream Treats:* \$7.00 per box [10 items/box; ice-cream sandwiches, etc.]

To purchase, call the rectory: <u>814-736-9780</u>; or inquire with ushers before Sunday Divine Liturgy. We had an especially nice number and variety of baskets, gift cards, etc. for the Basket Raffle. Names of prize winners will be listed in next Sunday's bulletin.

<u>Deacon Tyler Wisniewski</u>...has returned from his Pilgrimage to Turkey and the Holy Land in Israel. Over the next few Sundays Deacon Tyler will offer in the bulletin reflections on the Pilgrimage and some of the various sites which he visited.

Church Cleaning & Work Party:

- The **Work Party** for August is scheduled for **Saturday, August 5** at 9:00 am.
- <u>Church Cleaning</u> for August is scheduled for <u>Monday, August 7</u>, at <u>9:00 am</u>.
- Thank You to those who volunteer for the monthly Work Party and Church Cleaning.

<u>Parish Advisory Council Meeting</u>...for *Saints Peter and Paul,* Portage is scheduled for <u>Thursday</u> <u>August 17</u>, at <u>7:00 pm</u> in the conference room of the rectory.

<u>Summer Worship Night:</u> The Portage Ministerial Association is hosting a <u>Summer Worship Night</u>, <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 4</u> at 7:00 pm at the Chatterbox Band Shelter on Main Street in Portage. "All who trust in you, you will keep in perfect peace" is the theme for the prayer service. Please bring a chair.

<u>Fatima Devotions</u>: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating Fatima Devotions on <u>Sunday August 13</u>, 6:30pm in the Gardens. In case of inclement weather at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Malachi Van Tassell. We are looking forward to seeing you.

<u>Please Remember in Prayer:</u> **Dorothy Billy**, a resident at the Presbyterian Village, Hollidaysburg.

The Sanctuary Candle is in memory of +Mae Haschak, requested by Patty Haschak.

<u>Celebration of Marriage</u> to honor married couples observing *Wedding Anniversaries* of **10**, **25**, **35**, **40**, **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

The Assembly of the Byzantine Metropolitan Church: November 2-5, 2023, Hillsborough, New Jersey. An opportunity for us as a Church to remember our historical past, consider the reality of our present, and explore the vision and dreams of our going forward into the future. The Assembly Planning Committee has been working to make this vision a reality.

Registration is now open on the Assembly website https://www.byzantineassembly2023.org/.

"Troitsja" Candle & Carillon Bells; Bulletins:

July 30Candle & BellsLexie SlanocBulletins:Lexie Slanoc & Easton SlanocAugust 6Candle & BellsEaston SlanocBulletins:Lexie Slanoc & Easton Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: 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: SS Peter & Paul (Portage): Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; Joanne Stewart; Cathy Walters;. Saint Mary, Beaverdale: Carol Slifko; NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor, Portage: Helen Zaher; Maple Winds: June Nezneski; John Paul II Manor, Cresson: Kathryn Mackovyak; Quality Life Services: Catherine McGough, Beaverdale; Presbyterian Village, Hollidaysburg: Dorothy Billy.

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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 <u>Mysteries of Christian Initiation</u> – <u>Baptism</u>, <u>Chrismation</u>, and <u>Eucharist</u>. 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.

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.

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