

Liturgical Schedule Thirty-fourth Week after Pentecost January 21, 2024

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

Saturday January 20, 2024

Beaverdale 5:00 PM

Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday January 21, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy

[+John and Regina Havrilla by John and Barbara Havrilla]

Wednesday, January 24

Portage 7:45 AM

The Third Hour

8:00 AM

Divine Liturgy [+Msgr. Peter Tay, by Johanna & Brad Spontak]

Thursday, January 25

Portage 7:45 AM

The Third Hour

8:00 AM

Divine Liturgy [+Mary Yetsko, by John & Greta Hurley & Family]

Saturday January 27

Portage 3:00 PM

Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]

Dunlo 4:30 PM

Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Saturday January 27, 2024

Dunlo 5:00 PM

Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Prudhoe by Michele Zanella]

Sunday January 28, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy

Pre-Lenten Breakfast: Sunday, January 28 following the Divine Liturgy. [Sunday, February 4 is alternate date for weather]. I hope that you can plan to attend and enjoy the breakfast.

Take-out Breakfasts for Homebound will be available. Volunteers are needed to deliver the breakfast. If there is a homebound person to whom you are available to deliver the take-home breakfast, please let Father Jim know. You may also note this on the RSVP sign-up list. *Thank you.*

Please use the **sign-up list** in the narthex to indicate the number from your family attending, to help us in preparing and planning for the breakfast. A \$500 debit card from the GCU Fraternal Organization for parish social gathering will be used to provide for this social.

This Week: There is *no fasting* in the week following the *Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee* [January 22-27].

Blessing of Homes: To request the blessing of your home, please place this form the offering box or return by mail Fr. Jim will call to schedule a time. Have a lighted candle and icon on the table.

I/we would like to have my/our home blessed:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Vigil Divine Liturgy Time Change: The time of the *Vigil Divine Liturgy* which alternates between Beaverville and Dunlo is being changed to **4:00 pm** on Saturday [rather than **5:00 pm**]. This adjusted schedule goes into effect on **Saturday, February 3**. The 4:00 pm time has been suggested as being more accommodating to parishioners.

Also beginning Saturday, February 3 *Confessions* at Saints Peter and Paul, Portage will be at **2:00 pm**. Thank you for your cooperation with this schedule adjustment.

All Souls Saturdays: The first of the 2024 *All Souls* commemorations is Saturday, February 3. There is an envelope in your packet of offering envelopes for this purpose. Please prepare and submit at your earliest convenience your list of deceased family members who are to be remembered. Please make note if entering a new list or making additions or changes to previous list.

Festival Meeting: A meeting for the *Annual Festival* is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23 at 7:00 pm in the social room of the church hall. The meeting will review the 2023 Festival and also begin planning for the 2024 Festival.

Slovak Lecture: - At Queen of Angels Parish, Central City by Joseph Bielecki, on Slovak culture, Monday January 22, 6:30 PM--8:30 PM in the activity center [738 Sunshine Avenue]. A presentation on: regional differences in Slovakia; why Slovaks came to Western Pennsylvania; Slovak Easter customs. Includes refreshments. Call 814-754-5224 to register.

Ordination: *Today* [January 21], 3:00 PM Metropolitan William will ordain **Subdeacon Kyprian Wojciechowski** to the diaconate at Saint Mary's Church in Bradenville. Subdeacon Kyprian was here for a Pastoral Practicum Program in 2018. *Many, Happy Years!*

Sanctuary Candle...is offered this week in memory of **+John and Regina Havrilla**, by John and Barbara Havrilla.

2024 Offering Envelopes... for Saints Peter and Paul, Portage and available in the Ushers' room. *Please write your name and amount of offering* on front of the envelope. *Thank you.*

Pre-Cana Program: For engaged couples, at the Saints. Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary; Saturday March 9 & 16, 2024. For information: archpitt.org - Office of Religious Education link

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday January 21 2024

Candle: Easton Slanoc

Sunday January 28

Candle: Owen Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For The Health of:*; *Mary Lou Perich Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; Shawn Crum; Katie Czapp; Darlene Shaner; Steve Paluch; Jason Thornton; Charlett Thornton; Carol Slifko; Deacon Daniel Perich; Donna Block; Michael & Pauline Barelick; Matthew Barelick; Phil, Dorothy, Catchy Walters; Carissa Ratosky; Edward Wisniewski; 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, Beaverville:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Helen Zaher; **Maple Winds:** June Neznieski; **John Paul II Manor,** Cresson: Kathryn Mackovyak.

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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.

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