

Liturgical Schedule Meatfare Week January 28, 2024

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

Feast of the Three Holy Hierarchs

Monday, January 29

Beaverdale 5:00 PM

Great Vespers with Litija

Tuesday, January 30

Portage 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

Feast of the Meeting of our Lord with Simeon and Anna

Friday February 2

Portage 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy]

First All Souls Saturday

Saturday, February 3

Portage 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy followed by
Panachida & Reading of the Names of the Deceased

Portage 2:00 PM

Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]

Beaverdale 3:30 PM

Mystery of Repentance [Confessions]

Sunday of Meatfare

Saturday February 3, 2024

Beaverdale 4:00 PM

Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Elizabeth Harrigal by Reba Vasas & Family]

Followed by Panachida, Reading of Names of Deceased

Sunday February 4, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy

Pre-Lenten Breakfast: Today--Sunday, January 28 following the Divine Liturgy. .

Our thanks to the **GCU Fraternal Organization** which donated a \$500 debit card for parish social gatherings and which is providing today's breakfast. Our grateful acknowledgment is extended especially to Kim Rocker and her family who are preparing and serving the breakfast.

Vigil Divine Liturgy Time Change: The time of the **Vigil Divine Liturgy** which alternates between Beaverdale 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.

This Week we observe two feasts of our church. Tuesday, January 30 we remember the **Three Holy Bishops**, Saint Basil, Saint Gregory, and Saint John Chrysostom. Friday, February 2 is the **Meeting of our Lord with Simeon and Anna**. To fulfil the Law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple on the fortieth day after his birth to present him to the Lord and offer a sacrifice.

Church Cleaning & Work Party for February: The **Work Party** is Saturday, February 4 at 9:00 am. The **Church Cleaning** is Monday, February 6, at 9:00 am.

Statements of Parishioners' Offerings for 2023 for Saint Peter and Paul, Portage are available for those requesting their statement. The 2023 Offering Statements should be available in early February. Call the rectory [814-736-9780]; or send to james_armand_spontak@verizon.net.

All Souls Saturdays: The first **All Souls Commemoration** is **this Saturday, February 3 [Meatfare Saturday]**. You may return the envelope in your packet of offering envelopes to Father Jim this week, before Friday. Please make note if entering a new list or making additions or changes to previous list.

Offerings for December

	<u>Dec 3</u>	<u>Dec 10</u>	<u>Dec 17</u>	<u>Dec 24</u>	<u>Dec 31</u>
Portage:	\$1,531.00	\$1,102.00	\$2,228.00	\$4,623.00	\$8,012.00
Beaverdale:	\$ 250.00	\$ 905.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 1020.00	\$ 270.00
Dunlo:	\$ 24.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 405.00	\$ 274.00

Eternal Memory: You are asked to pray for the repose of the soul of **+ Monsignor Russell Duker** a retired priest of the Archeparchy who fell asleep in the Lord on January 22.

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.*

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: _____

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday January 28 Candle: Owen Slanoc

Sunday February 4 2024 Candle: Easton 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, Beaverdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Helen Zaher; William Prozialek [Dunlo];

Maple Winds: June Nezeski; **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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