

**Liturgical Schedule Fourteenth Week after Pentecost-- August 18, 2024**

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost-- Post-festive Day of the Feast of the Dormition**

**Saturday August 17, 2024**

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Elizabeth Harrigal, by Marcie and Doug Roxby]

**Sunday August 18, 2024**

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy:

**Thursday, August 22**

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour  
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Mary Korenoski, by Frank Oshaben]

**Friday, August 23**

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour  
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Patrick Ditko—40<sup>th</sup> Day Remembrance—by Family]

**Saturday August 24, 2024**

Portage 2:00 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance  
Dunlo 3:30 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Saturday August 24, 2024**

Dunlo **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy

**Sunday August 25, 2024**

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy: +Jennie Letzo, by Julie Brenna]

**Annual Pilgrimage:** This year at Mount Saint Macrina is the **90<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage** in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Uniontown, Saturday, August 31 to Sunday, September 1. Sr. Susan Sisko, OSBM, the Provincial of the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great, extends these words of invitation:

*"In thanksgiving to God, and with great enthusiasm and joy, we Sisters invite you to our 90th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.*

*"For this 90th Pilgrimage, we chose the theme "Theotokos: Our Rock. Our Refuge and Our Strength: Celebrating 90 Years of Grace." Indeed, Our Gracious Mother has been the Rock, Refuge, and Strength of our Province for 103 years and has been the very foundation upon which our Pilgrimage has been built these 90 years.*

*"Mt. St. Macrina has received so many blessings throughout its history, and our Pilgrimage allows us to share these blessings with all of you, our faithful Pilgrims. Ninety years of prayer, 90 years of blessings, 90 years of relationships, 90 years of grace. It doesn't get much better than this, and we know it*

Follow us on Facebook for updates: Schedules and more details at [www.sistersofstbasil.org](http://www.sistersofstbasil.org); and in the **Byzantine Catholic World**. **Parishioners who wish to attend and are in need of transportation are asked to call the parish office [814-736-9780] or contact Father Jim [james\_armand\_spontak@verizon.net].-**

**Ordination:** Please remember in your prayers *Subdeacon Luke Iyengar* who is to be ordained to the Diaconate in Pittsburgh on Sunday, September 22.

**The Dormition of the Theotokos:** The *Feast of the Dormition* of the Theotokos continues to be celebrated for eight days, until Friday, August 23. On this splendid feast we recognize and the Church proclaims: *“Rejoice, O Virgin, for you alone brought heaven and earth together in giving birth to your Son”* [Stichera of the Praises]; and *“through her holy Dormition the world is given new life”* [Stichera of Litija]. As the one who gave birth to God [*Theotokos*] in the flesh, Mary’s choices as she cooperated with God’s plan had cosmic significance. She became, as is manifest in the Feast of the Dormition, the first to participate in the complete salvation brought about through the incarnation. This included even the assumption of her body into the presence of God. And so she has also a unique role as intercessor for all of humanity.

One of the most ancient prayers of the Church describes this role of her intercession *“We hasten to your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God. Despise not our prayers in our necessities, but deliver us from all danger, you who alone are pure and blessed...”*

**The Sanctuary Candle** is in memory of + *Elizabeth Harrigal*, requested by Marcie & Doug Roxby.

**Memorial Donation:** new gratefully acknowledge a donation to Saints Peter and Paul Church, Dunlo, in memory of memory of +*Mary Korenoski*, by her daughter *Francine [Korenoski] Pugh* of Alpharetta, Georgia..

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary—Byzantine Ruthenian Church:** The Archeparchy is sponsoring a bus to attend the celebration of 100 years of our canonical establishment, and the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Byzantine Chapel in the National Basilica in Washington, DC October 12-13, 2024 at the National Basilica.

Copies of the itinerary and registration form for this celebration are in the narthex. Details of this observance are at [byzantine100.com](http://byzantine100.com) Centenary of the Byzantine Catholic Church web site along.

**Call to Assembly-2025:** Preparations are underway for our Church to come together in Assembly next year -- July 16-20, 2025, at Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Whiting, Indiana under the name and calling. *“Come let us worship and bow before Christ”*. Formal presentations, interviews, panel discussion and round table exercises. Information at [byzantineassembly.org](http://byzantineassembly.org).

### **Bulletins and “Troitsja” Candle:**

**Sunday August 18**

Candle: [Easton Slanoc](#)

**Sunday August 25:**

Candle: [Owen](#)

**Remember in Prayer:** *For The Health of:* *Michael Perich*, brother of Deacon Dan; *Deacon Lawrence Hruska*, Saint Andrew Gibsonia; *Larry Dipko*; *Jeffrey Moist*; *Jean Petoro*, Mother of Jennifer Blazosky; *Becky Zock*; *Carol Goral*; *Mary & Daniel Zaliznock*; *Ray McCabe*; *Thomas Goncher*; *Linda Sekerak*; *Darlene Shaner*; *Steve Paluch*; *Jason Thornton*; *Charlett Thornton*; *Deacon Daniel & Mary Lou Perich*; *Donna Block*; *Michael & Pauline Barelick*; *Matthew Barelick*; *Phil, & Dorothy Walters*; *Carissa Ratosky*; *Edward Wisniewski*; *David & Sandy Spontak*; and all the ill, homebound.

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: SS Peter & Paul (Portage):** Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; Joanne Stewart;. **Saint Mary, Beaverdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES:** **Rebekah Manor**, Portage: Helen Zaher; Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple**

**Winds:** June Nezneski; **Maple Crest, Eensburg:** 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: 2:00 p.m. (Portage) and 3:30 pm (Beaverdale/Dunlo)**. Also, **½ hour before services [except Sunday]**, and by appointment.

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