

Liturgical Schedule Twenty-second Week after Pentecost-- October 13, 2024

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday October 19, 2024

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

Sunday October 20, 2024

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Marilyn Murphy, by Dr. Matt & Lori Murphy]

Tuesday, October 22

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Mary Yetsko, by Mrs. Sara Krull]

Friday, October 25

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Ed Nezeski, by John & Beena Nezeski]

Saturday, October 26

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

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday October 26, 2024

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

Sunday October 27, 2024

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Mario & Angeline Pieraccini, by John and Barbara Havrilla]

Prayers for November Election: A *Day of Prayer for the 2024 Election* is being held on Monday, November 4 at Saints Peter and Paul Church, Portage. The church will be open for personal prayer throughout the day, from 9:00 am-7:00 pm. At 6:30 pm a *Moleben to Mary the Theotokos* will be celebrated to ask for the intercession of Mary to conclude the Day of Prayer.

The Portage Area Ministerial Association is encouraging church communities to have churches open on November 4 for prayer for the election and for those participating by voting on this important occasion.

Parish Gatherings: The *GCU* gives a \$500 debit card to each parish to encourage parish gatherings that enhance a fraternal and family spirit. On Tuesday, October 22 Saint Mary's, Beaverdale, and Saint Peter and Paul, Dunlo parishioners will enjoy *Rizzo's Italian Feast* at Rizzo's Restaurant in Windber, courtesy of this GCU grant. Events are also planned for Saints Peter and Paul, Portage, including our Saint Nicholas Social.

Prayers for Synod: The "*Synod of Bishops for a Synodal Church*" is currently meeting in Rome through October 27. Metropolitan William is a member of the Synod and is participating in this gathering. During October petitions will be included in the Divine Liturgy for this gathering in Rome.

Fall Basket Auction: *Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church*, 719 Chestnut Avenue, Northern Cambria, Saturday, October 26; 5 to 6:30 pm; Sunday, October 27, 11:00 am-3:00 pm. Drawing: 3:00 pm, Sunday. \$5.00/26 tickets. Raffle for \$1,000 and \$500 prizes. Also, Take-out food.

2024 Ethnic Festival Report: With comparison to the 2021 event:

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2024</u> |
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| <u>Income:</u> | \$20,931.45 | \$22,313.10 |
| <u>Expenses</u> | \$11,281.85 | \$ 9,642.00 |
| <u>Net Proceeds</u> | \$9,649.60 | \$12,688.86 |

A word of grateful acknowledgment for the donation of the chicken for the chicken barbeque by the *Pyo Family* in memory of *Edward "Moose" Pyo*. Thanks to all for your cooperation and generosity for the Festival. A meeting to review the 2024 Festival and plan 2025's is to be scheduled for later in the fall.

Eastern Christian Formation Program: A meeting for our Catechists is scheduled for Sunday, October 20 following the classes. Please remember in your prayers our Catechists, parents, and students.

100th Anniversary: Broadcasts from the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington for the 100th anniversary of our Metropolitan Church can be viewed on the following links. Control+click to open link
For the Divine Liturgy: <https://www.youtube.com/live/9VUkZYzBDW4?si=Jl3yOKfZ1oXm2ntc>
For the Moleben: <https://www.youtube.com/live/Nf02o5zEVQA?si=hIZ6Wv4OA8B1U41E>

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service: Saints Peter and Paul Church will host this year's *Community Thanksgiving Service* on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 pm. A Moleben [Prayer Service] of Thanksgiving will be followed by a social with refreshments hosted by our parish.

GCU Natural Disaster Relief: The *GCU* has a Matching Fund Project that will match total donations up to \$10,000 for those affected by *Hurricane Helene* and *wildfires in the Western US*. Donations tax deductible. Information at gcuusa.com. Through October 31

Marian Choir Program: Pittsburgh Byzantine Catholic Archeparchial Choir "*Maryfest*", St. Elias Church, Munhall, today at 3:00 pm. A "pumpkin spice" hospitality reception will follow in the parish social hall. St. Elias Church is located at 4200 Homestead-Duquesne Road in Munhall, PA 15120.

Byzantine Catholic Seminary "Come and See" Weekend, men 18 to 35 considering a vocation to the priesthood in the Byzantine Catholic Church; November 8-10. Registration: www.bcs.edu.

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday October 20

Candle: Owen Slanoc

Sunday October 27

Candle: Easton Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For The Health of:* Richard Whitcomb; Michael Perich; Larry Dipko; Jeffrey Moist; Jean Petoro, Mother of Jennifer Blazosky; Becky Zock; Carol Goral; Mary & Daniel Zaliznock; Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; 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: Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple Winds:** June Nezeski; **Maple Heights, Ebensburg:** 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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