

**Liturgical Schedule Thirty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost January 26, 2025**

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**Saturday January 25, 2025**

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

**Sunday January 26, 2025**

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Fleck, by Fay Hann & Bill Giedias]

**Monday January 27**

Portage **8:00 am** Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Prudhoe, by Paul & Susan Snyder]

**Feast of the Three Holy Hierarchs**

**Wednesday, January 29**

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** Great Vespers with Litija

**Thursday, January 30**

Portage **9:00 AM** Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, February 1**

Portage **1:00 pm** *Confessions-Mystery of Repentance*

Beaverdale **3:30 pm** *Confessions-Mystery of Repentance*

**Sunday of Zacchaeus**

**Feast of the Encounter of our Lord with Simeon and Anna**

**Saturday February 1, 2025**

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

**Sunday February 2, 2025**

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

**This Month:** Throughout January, a number of saints are commemorated who hold particular significance for Eastern Churches. We begin January with the Feast of Saint Basil the Great [January 1]. Also we remember Gregory of Nyssa [10<sup>th</sup>]; Anthony the Great of Egypt, [17<sup>th</sup>]; and Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople [25<sup>th</sup>]. January draws to a close with the *Feast of the Three Holy Bishops* [Basil the Great; Gregory the Theologian; John Chrysostom] on Thursday, January 30. This observance highlights that while each had his own specific gifts they spoke with a unified voice in witnessing to and proclaiming the faith of the Apostles in the church.

**Blessing of Homes:** To request blessing of your home with the Jordan water blessed on Theophany, place this form in the offering box, or return it by mail. Father Jim will call to schedule a day and time. Have a lighted candle and an icon on the table.

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

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Church Cleaning--Grateful Acknowledgment:** For several decades Barbara Koban has volunteered for the monthly Church Cleaning, and also organized and coordinated this monthly volunteer project. As Barbara retires from this volunteer service to our parish, we gratefully acknowledge the decades of commitment over these years.

We sincerely appreciate all of our current and past volunteers. At present, we especially have need of volunteers for this ongoing effort. If you might be available and are willing to help, please contact Father Jim. *Thank you.*

**Many happy, Years: Most Reverend Artur Bubnevych** is being ordained this week as the Sixth Bishop of Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix on Tuesday, January 28 at Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church, Anaheim, California.

**All Souls Saturdays:** The first *All Souls Commemoration* is **Saturday, February 22 [Meatfare Saturday]**. You may return the envelope in your packet of offering envelopes at your earliest convenience. Please make note if entering a new list or making additions or changes to previous list.

**Eternal Memory:** You are asked to remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of:

- **+Arthur Flynn**, the brother of Maxine Olshavsky who fell asleep in the Lord this week. We extend our deepest sympathy and prayerful support to Maxine; and to all of her family.

**Statements of Parishioners' Offerings** for 2024 for Saint Peter and Paul, Portage are available for those requesting their statement. The 2024 Offering Statements should be available by early February. Call the rectory [814-736-9780]; or send to [james\\_armand\\_spontak@verizon.net](mailto:james_armand_spontak@verizon.net).

**Senior Medicare Patrol:** This is a national initiative focused on curbing Medicare fraud through outreach education and advocacy. *Brochures are in the narthex.*

**Pre-Cana Program:** For engaged couples will be **Saturday, March 8, 2025** at Saints Cyril and Methodius Seminary, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Information: [archpitt.org](http://archpitt.org) - Office of Religious Education link

**Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:**

**Sunday January, 26**

**Candle: Owen Slanoc**

**Sunday, February 2**

**Candle: Easton Slanoc**

**Remember in Prayer:** *For The Health of:* Jessi Tomko; Joe Mandichak; Steve Fleck; Susan O'Toole; John Havrilla; Richard Whitcomb; Michael Perich; Larry Dipko; Jeffrey Moist; Jean Petoro, Mother of Jennifer Blazosky; Becky Zock; Carol Goral; Mary & Daniel Zalznock; 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; Andrew & Linda Deskevich, parents of Very Reverend Andrew Deskevich, who are residents at Autumn View; and all the ill, homebound.

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: SS Peter & Paul (Portage):** Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh;. **Saint Mary, Beavertdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES:**

**Rebekah Manor**, Portage: Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple Winds:** June Nezeski; **Maple Heights, Ebsenburg:** 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 an integral 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: 1:00 p.m. (Portage) and 3:30 pm (Beaverdale/Dunlo)**. Also, **½ hour before services [except Sunday]**, and by appointment.

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