



Saints Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church --Portage
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Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church — Beaverdale
Saints Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church — Dunlo

Schedule of Services for Holy Week and Pascha, 2026

Great & Holy Monday --March 30

Portage 5:30 PM Mystery of Repentance (Confessions)
Portage **6:00 PM** *Vespers with the Divine Liturgy*

Great & Holy Tuesday March 31

Portage 5:30 PM Mystery of Repentance (Confessions)
Portage **6:00 PM** Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Great & Holy Wednesday April 1 – Simple Abstinence Required

Portage 5:00 PM Mystery of Repentance (Confessions)
Portage **6:00 PM** Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with Holy Anointing



Great & Holy Thursday April 2 – Simple Abstinence Recommended

Institution of the Eucharist & Betrayal of Our Lord

Portage **1:00 PM & 5:00 PM** Mystery of Repentance (Confessions)
Portage **6:00 PM** Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil

Great & Holy Friday April 3– Strict Abstinence Required

Portage **10:00 AM** Matins with Reading of Passion Gospels
Beaverdale **3:00 PM** Solemn Vespers & Procession with Burial Shroud
Portage **7:00 PM** Solemn Vespers & Procession with Burial Shroud

Vigil at the Tomb of our Lord following service until Midnight

Great & Holy Saturday April 4 – Simple Abstinence Required

Vigil at the Tomb of our Lord continues throughout the day

Pascha – The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Saturday April 4

Portage **7:00 PM** Resurrection Matins & Paschal Divine Liturgy
Followed by Blessing of Paschal Food & Social

Sunday April 5

Beaverdale **8:00 AM** Procession & Paschal Divine Liturgy
Followed by Blessing of Paschal Food in the Church
Portage **10:30 AM** Paschal Divine Liturgy



Monday April 6

Bright Monday

Portage **9:00 AM** Divine Liturgy & Procession with the Resurrection Gospels

Tuesday April 7

Bright Tuesday

Portage **9:00 AM** Divine Liturgy

Please Note: There are no Confessions scheduled after Thursday of Holy Week

Eastern Christian Formation Program:

There are no **ECF Classes** on Sunday, April 5-- Pascha—the Resurrection of our Lord.

ECF Classes resume Thomas Sunday—Sunday April 12.

Decorative Candles: For the *Blessing of Paschal foods* are available from the ushers at each church. An offering of \$10 is requested for these candles.

Fasting Regulations for Great and Holy Week

Great & Holy Wednesday April 1– Simple abstinence and fasting required

Great and Holy Friday--April 3 *Strict abstinence and fasting required*

Great & Holy Saturday April 4 *Simple abstinence and fasting required*

Mystery of Repentance–Confession: Sunday at 6:30 pm.

Monday, Tuesday at 5:30 pm; Wednesday, 5:00 pm. On Thursday at 5:00 pm in Portage.

No Confessions scheduled after Thursday of Holy Week. **Call the rectory** to schedule appointment.

Pastoral Visits: For Confession and the Eucharist to the Homebound will be scheduled this week. Call the rectory to inform Father Jim of family members not on the list who are to be visited.

Some visits may be delayed until after Holy Week. Father Jim will call to schedule a day and time.