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**Liturgical Schedule—May 31, 2026 First Sunday after Pentecost-- — Sunday of All Saints**

**Sunday of All Saints**

**Saturday, May 30**

Beaverdale **4:00 PM**

**Vigil Divine Liturgy**

**Sunday May 31, 2026**

Portage **9:00 AM**

**Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Steve Fleck by Debbie & Gary Krisko]**

**Monday, June 1**

Portage **8:00 am**

**Divine Liturgy [+Fred Vrabel by Kathy Hillard]**

**Friday, June 5**

Portage **8:00 am**

**Divine Liturgy [+Sr. Helen Schott, OSBM by Donor]**

**Mystery of Repentance [Confessions-]**

Saturday June 23 **Portage** **1:00 PM;**

**Dunlo** **3:30 PM**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Saturday, June 6**

Dunlo **4:00 PM**

**Vigil Divine Liturgy**

**Sunday June 7, 2026**

Portage **9:00 AM**

**Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Pauline Yetsko by Don & Antoinette Murphy]**

**The Peter and Paul Fast:** The “*Apostles Fast*” is June 1-28. Our Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season; it may be observed voluntarily. It marks the return to the ordinary ascetical life of the Church after Pascha and Pentecost. “*Jesus answered them, ‘Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come, and when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days.’*” [Luke 5:34-35].

**Parish Festival:** This year’s event will be from **12:00-5:00 pm**, with one live band.

We need to recruit more volunteers *to commit to the various times and needs* of the festival.

Please sign-up as the lists of areas of need are posted. *Thank you!*

**Graduates:** *Graduates of the Class of 2026*—high school, college etc.—are asked to submit your name, school, and other pertinent information. Place information in the offering basket; or email to [james\\_armand\\_spontak@verizon.net](mailto:james_armand_spontak@verizon.net), so that we may acknowledge your graduation.

**School of Diaconate Studies:** Men discerning a call to diaconal service are encouraged to apply for the 2027 School of Diaconate Studies. Please submit the registration form; the Vocations Office will contact you. **Deadline: July 1, 2026.** For questions: [vocations@archpitt.org](mailto:vocations@archpitt.org)

**Dr. Samuel Resconich Estate:** We gratefully acknowledge a donation of \$25,000.00 to Saints Peter and Paul Church, Portage, from the estate of Dr. Samuel Resconich. Our parishioner Dr. Samuel Resconich had a distinguished career on the faculty of Saint Francis University, Loretto. He fell asleep in the Lord January 8, 2025. *Eternal Memory.*

**Work Party & Church Cleaning:** The *Work Party* is Saturday, June 6 at 9:00 am; *Church Cleaning* is Tuesday, June 9 at 9:00 am. *Our thanks to these monthly volunteers.*

**Sanctuary Candle:** For *+Joseph* and *+John Halovich*, requested by Louise Halovich.

**Celebration of Marriage** to honor married couples observing *Wedding Anniversaries* of **10, 25, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60,** or *additional years in multiples of five* in 2026; **Sunday, September 20.**

A Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving by Metropolitan William at St. Elias Church in Munhall at 3 pm; followed by a dinner. Please inform Father Jim if you are observing one of these anniversaries in 2026 by Sunday, July 26 so that we may commemorate your jubilee.

### **Forest Hills Community Band Schedule:**

- Sunday May 31: South Fork 1st Evangelical Church 5 pm
- Sunday June 7: Pops Concert New Germany Grove Hall 5 pm.

**Liturgical Propers:** - Sunday, June 7, Second Sunday after Pentecost (Resurrection Tone 1, DL 125).

**Troitsja**      May 31: Owen Slanoc      June 7: Lucy Harrington

**Bulletins:**      May 31: Easton and Owen Slanoc      June 7: Lucy & Luke Harrington

**Remember in Prayer:** Please update your requests by informing Father Jim. ***For the Health of:*** Joe Thrower [Dunlo]; *Frank Jubara*; ; *John Havrilla*; *Cindy {Pyo} Lewis*; *Jane Pyo*; *Mary Donnelly*; *Sandy {Lucci} Georg*; *Barbara Havrilla*; *Susan O'Toole*; *Jeffrey Moist*; *Jean Petoro*; *Becky Zock*; *Thomas Goncher*; *Linda Sekerak*; *Jason Thornton*; *Charlett Thornton*; *Mary Lou Perich*; *Donna Block*; *Michael & Pauline Barelick*; *Matthew Barelick*; *Phil, & Dorothy Walters*; *Carissa Ratosky*; *Edward & Anita Wisniewski*; *Sandy Spontak.*

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: SS Peter & Paul (Portage):** Louise Halovich; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh;; Carol Slifko [Beaverdale]; Edward Cimba [Dunlo]; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES:**

**Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Richland Woods:** Elaine Vrabel;;

**Autumn View:** Joan Timura; Andrew Deskevich, father of Father Andrew Deskevich.

**Mysteries of Christian Initiation [Baptism, Chrismation, and Eucharist]:** There is to be **preparatory instruction** for parents prior to the celebration of the Mysteries. –. Christian Initiation may be celebrated with the Sunday Divine Liturgy. Sponsors must be persons who are qualified 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.