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Liturgical Schedule—July 19, 2026 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost --

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost; Memory of the Fathers at the First Six Ecumenical Councils

Saturday, July 18

Dunlo 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday July 19, 2026

Portage 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Richard Whitcomb, by Rodger & Denise Harrington]

Feast of the Holy and Glorious Great Prophet Elijah

Sunday, July 19

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Great Vespers with Litija-- *Followed by Blessing of Autos*

Monday, July 20

Portage 8:45 AM The Third Hour
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy-- *Followed by Blessing of Autos*

Thursday July 23

Portage 7:45 am Third Hour

Portage 8:00 am Divine Liturgy [+Father Donald Valasek, by Deacon Raymond and Mary Frances Zadzilko]

Mystery of Repentance [Confessions-]

Saturday July 25

Portage 1:00 PM;

Beaverdale 3:30 PM

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost;

Saturday, July 25

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday July 26, 2026

Portage 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+John and +Anna Homa, by Jackie and Amber Gordon]

Annual Festival: A note of sincere gratitude acknowledging all who helped in any way to contribute to or participate in our annual festival last Sunday. Our thanks also to John Maruska, of *Algas* in Gallitzin for equipment for the funnel cakes; *Serenko-Claar Funeral Home* for donation of the tent for dining; and to *Tony Pyo* and the Pyo family for the chicken bar-b-que.

Prize winners and additional acknowledgments will appear in the next few weeks.

The Feast of Saint Elijah is also the occasion for the blessing of automobiles and other vehicles. This blessing is occasioned by Elijah's ascent into heaven in a fiery chariot. This blessing will take place following *Great Vespers* [Sunday afternoon]; and the *Divine Liturgy* [Monday].

Bereavement Support: "Journey Through Loss" Holy Family Parish 6:30-8:00 PM, Wednesdays, beginning **Wednesday, July 29**. A nine week Christian based Bereavement Support Program for adults grieving the death of a loved one. To register: **Mary Petrak, 814 502-6076, mfpetrak@hotmail.com**.

Offerings for June

	<u>June 7</u>	<u>June 14</u>	<u>June 21</u>	<u>June 28</u>
<u>Portage:</u>	\$1,757.00	\$1,290.00	\$825.00	\$1,689.00
<u>Beaverdale:</u>	\$ 160.00	\$ 344.75	\$ 250.00	\$ 340.00
<u>Dunlo:</u>	\$ 62.25	\$ 298.00	\$ 65.35	\$ 80.00

Celebration of Marriage to honor married couples observing ***Wedding Anniversaries*** of **10, 25, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, etc.** in 2026; **Sunday, September 20.** Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving by Metropolitan William at St. Elias Church, Munhall at 3 pm followed by dinner. Inform Father Jim this week if you are observing one of these anniversaries so that we may commemorate your jubilee.

Thank You: *“Father Edward Pyo wishes to thank all who prayed for him or visited him during his recent long hospitalization. Because of his illness and condition at that time, he has no recollection of visitors; thus this message of gratitude to you.”*

Upcoming Events: Cyber Crime Awareness Class, Tuesday August 4 at Oakland Volunteer Fire Company, 1741 Bedford Street, Johnstown, 6:00-8:00 pm. Identifying online scams, protecting personal information, staying safe online. To register: 814-536-9818; or visit RepJimRigby.com/Events. Sponsored by State Representative Jim Rigby.

Liturgical Propers: - **Monday, July 20,** the Holy and Glorious Prophet Elijah (DL 343).

Sunday, July 26, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (Resurrection Tone 8, DL 161).

Troitsja **July 19: Easton Slanoc**

July 26: Owen Slanoc

Bulletins: **July 19: Easton Slanoc & Owen Slanoc**

July 26: Easton Slanoc & Owen Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: To update your requests, inform Father Jim. ***For the Health of:*** Alice Ference; Father George Johnson, Saint John's, Conemaugh; Joe Thrower [Dunlo]; *Frank Jubara; ; John Havrilla; Cindy [Pyo] Lewis; Jane Pyo; Mary Donnelly;; 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 [Conemaugh Hospital] & 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: Contact the pastor prior to surgery or in serious illness to request **Mystery of Holy Anointing**. When you or a family member are hospitalized, enter a nursing home, **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.