

Liturgical Schedule Fathers of First Ecumenical Council—Seventh Paschal Week--May 12 2024

Seventh Paschal Sunday – The Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council --Mother's Day

Saturday May 11 2024

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy--*We remember all our Mothers, Living & Deceased*

Sunday May 12, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy--*We remember all our Mothers, Living & Deceased*

Monday, May 13

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Monsignor Peter Tay, by Johanna and Brad Spontak]

Fifth All Souls Saturday

Friday May 17

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vespers for the Deceased—*Fifth All Souls Saturday*
Panachida & Reading of the Names of the Deceased

Saturday May 18

Portage 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, followed by Panachida, reading of the Names of the Deceased

Portage 2:00 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Dunlo 3:30 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday May 18 2024

Dunlo 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday May 19, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy: [+Jerry Kinback, by Diane Kinback and Family]

Happy Mother's Day: Our greetings and prayerful best wishes to all of the Mothers of our parishes whom we remember and honor today. We include a fond and grateful remembrance of our deceased mothers in today's Divine Liturgy.

Do have a pleasant and much deserved day of being appreciated and honored today.

The Fifth All Souls Saturday is observed this week, with Vespers for the Deceased in Beaverdale on Friday, May 17; and at the Divine Liturgy in Portage on Saturday, May 18.

Parish Advisory Council Meeting: For *Saints Peter and Paul, Portage*, Thursday, May 23, 7:00 pm., in the Conference Room of the rectory. Minutes of the February 8 meeting will be in the Sunday bulletin prior to the meeting.

Society of Saints Cyril and Methodius, the Vocations Ministry of the Archeparchy invites you to their meeting Wednesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m. at Saint John Cathedral, Munhall. Father Ronald Barusefski, Rector of the Byzantine Catholic Seminary will speak on the formation for the priesthood. For information or livestream link, contact Diane Pochron - 412-303-6534 - pochron@d@pitt.edu

Festival Meeting: The next meeting for the *Annual Festival* is **Tuesday, May 28** at 7:00 pm in the social room of the church hall, to continue planning for the **July 14, 2024** Festival.

GCU Parish Donations Received

The GCU's "*Fraternal Metamorphosis Program*" has expanded GCU's support to all Byzantine Parishes throughout the United States. The financial benefits to each parish under this program for 2024 are:

- A *donation in the amount of \$1,000* to each Byzantine Catholic Parish having a "Parish Coordinator".
- *Matching Funds donation* up to \$3,000 for fundraising events conducted for the benefit of the Parish.
- A *\$500 debit card* for parish social events [Saint Nicholas social, breakfasts, dinners, etc.]

On April 1 we received donations of \$1,000 to Saints Peter and Paul Portage; Saint Mary, Beavertdale; and Saints Peter and Paul Dunlo. We gratefully acknowledge the GCU, President George Juba and Board of Directors for these donations; and Deacon Daniel Perich, Parish Coordinator for our parishes.

Church Cleaning: is rescheduled for Tuesday, May 14 at 9:00 am.

Forest Hills Community Band Concert Schedule:

- Sunday, May 12, 7:00 pm, *Wilmore Saint Bartholomew's Church*
- Sunday, May 19, 7:00 pm, *Elton Zion Church*;

First Confession Celebration: Sunday, May 26 at the Divine Liturgy. An ice cream social is planned for the students as an end of the year event. The date, time and location will be announced.

Young Adult Retreat: June 21-23, 7 pm Friday to 12 pm Sunday, Mount Saint Macrina House of Prayer, Uniontown. The weekend invites men and women into "*Strengthening Discipleship.*" Offering: \$115; scholarships available. Registration by June 14. Call 724-438-7149; or email hpmsm@verizon.net

Sanctuary Candle: Is offered this week in memory of **+Margaret** and **Joseph Halovich**, by Louise Halovich.

Fatima Devotions: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate in Fatima Devotions on Monday, May 13, at 6:30pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. David Dodd, T.O.R. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Free: *Computer desk* in the usher's room. It is no longer needed in the rectory; available to take home.

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday May 12 Candle: Easton Slanoc

Sunday May 12:

Candle: Owen Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For The Health of:* Carol Goral; Connie Crum; Daniel Zaliznock; Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; Katie Czapp; Darlene Shaner; 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, Beavertdale: Carol Slifko; **NURSING &**

CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor, Portage: Helen Zaher; Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; Maple

Winds: June Nezeski; John Paul II Manor, Cresson: Kathryn Mackovyak.

Saints Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church--

143 Church Drive—Portage, Pennsylvania 15946 814-**736-9780**

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church—Beaverdale;

Ss. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church--Dunlo

Father James A. Spontak Deacon Daniel Perich

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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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