

Liturgical Schedule Ninth Week after Pentecost-- July 14, 2024

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost--Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils

Saturday July 13, 2024

Dunlo 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday July 14, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy:
[*The miners killed in the Sonman Mine Explosion of July 15, 1940*, by Kathy Sekerak]]

Tuesday, July 16

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Betty Tutsock, by James Bisaha]

Feast of the Holy and Glorious Great Prophet Elijah

Friday, July 19

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

Saturday, July 20

Portage 8:45 AM The Third Hour
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy-- Followed by Blessing of Autos
Portage 2:00 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance
Beaverdale 3:30 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday July 20, 2024

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Timothy O'Hara, by Becky & Orville Shehan]

Sunday July 21, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy:

Annual Festival—TODAY: Welcome to all, to enjoy the food, entertainment, games.

- **Entertainment:** “*That Oldies Band*”, Noon to 3:00 pm; “*Full Kilt*” Celtic Rock-- 4:00 to 7:30 pm
- “*Camelot Castle*” Bouncy House: for children is being featured this year on the lawn of the picnic grounds. Our thanks to the sponsors for the “Bouncy House”: Ed and Kim Rocker; Sara and Dan Erzal; Brad and Molly Harrington, Mary Rocker; Becky and Kevin Zock; Dem, Tammy, and Hunter Whitcomb.
- **Soft Ice-Cream Machine:** We will once again serve soft ice cream for the festival—always a favorite.

Welcome: Father Tyler Wisniewski, newly ordained on June 23, 2024, is with us today for the Divine Liturgy, and also to enjoy our Annual Festival. Following the Divine Liturgy, Father Tyler will offer his *first priestly blessing*. Father Tyler was with us for a pastoral practicum in the summer of 2023. We extend a warm welcome to him and to his parents, Ed and Anita Wisniewski.

Subdeacon Luke Iyengar is here today for the Divine Liturgy and also for our Annual Festival. Subdeacon Luke was with us for a pastoral practicum in the summer of 2022. We extend a warm welcome to Subdeacon Luke, and a note of sincere thanks for volunteering to help with the Festival.

The Sanctuary Candle is in memory of +Francis and +Betty Christina, requested by Valerie Pcola.

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* [Friday evening]; and the *Divine Liturgy* [Saturday].

Maintenance for Floors: The floors in the basement social hall and social room are scheduled to be cleaned by Horell Cleaning of Altoona during the week of July 22. A portion of the church floor—the “ushers’ room”—will also be cleaned. The outcome and result of the cleaning of the “usher’s room” will be evaluated before proceeding with cleaning the main area of the church floor.

Eternal Memory: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **+Sister Theodosia Alishofski**, OSBM, of the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great, Mount Saint Macrina, who fell asleep in the Lord on July 10, in the 76th year of her religious life.

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 2024; **Sunday, September 15**. A Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving by Metropolitan William at St. Elias Church in Munhall at 3 pm; followed by dinner. Please inform Father Jim if you are observing one of these anniversaries in 2024 by Sunday, July 21 so that we may commemorate your jubilee.

GCU Byzantine Family Day: GCU *Byzantine Family Day* at Kennywood Park, West Mifflin, Thursday, July 25 11 AM - 9 PM. **Discount Ride-All Day Tickets:** \$27 Ride All Day Ticket (age 4+); \$25; Lunch Ticket (age 11+) \$20; Kids Lunch Tickets (ages 3-10). Deadline to Order Tickets is Wednesday, July 10. Order tickets at GCUusa.com. Questions: 724-495-3400, Ext. 3810; or call the parish office.

100th Anniversary—Byzantine Ruthenian Church: This year our Church in the United States is celebrating 100 years of our canonical establishment, and also the 50th anniversary of the Byzantine Chapel in the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. A dual celebration of these events is planned for the weekend of October 12-13, 2024 at the National Basilica. The Archeparchy is sponsoring a bus to attend the celebration. Copies of the itinerary and registration form for this celebration are in the narthex. This trip is limited to 48 people on a first come, first serve basis. Additional details of this observance are posted on the byzantine100.com Centenary of the Byzantine Catholic Church web site along with reservation tabs and dedicated phone number.

Bulletins and “Troitsja” Candle:

Sunday July 14: Candle: Owen Slanoc

Sunday July 21 Candle: Easton Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For The Health of:* Becky Zock; Carol Goral; Mary and Daniel Zaliznock; Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; 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, Beaverdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Helen Zaher; Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple Winds:** June Nezneski; **John Paul II Manor,** Cresson: 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 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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