

Liturgical Schedule Seventh Week after Pentecost-- July 30, 2024

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday June 29, 2024

Dunlo 4:00 PM

Vigil Divine Liturgy

[Theresa and Bill Garanich—55th Wedding Anniversary by Marilyn Jenkins

Sunday June 30, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy:

Wednesday, July 3

Portage 7:45 AM

The Third Hour

8:00 AM

Divine Liturgy [+Dorothy Resconich, by Bob Whitcomb]

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day

Portage 7:45 AM

The Third Hour

8:00 AM

Divine Liturgy--For our nation, with thanksgiving--***Independence Day***

Saturday, July 6

Portage 2:00 pm

Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Beaverdale 3:30 pm

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday July 6, 2024

Beaverdale 4:00 PM

Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday July 7, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy: [+Margaret Fleck by Shelly Plummer]

July Fourth—Independence Day: Our nation observes the 235th Anniversary of Independence this week on Thursday. It is the paramount holiday of our identity as Americans, an occasion to remember and celebrate our nation's birth and its identity. It is a day to give thanks to God and remember in prayer the needs of our nation, its citizens. Divine Liturgy will be at 8:00 am. Have a pleasant, safe, and enjoyable July Fourth Holiday!

Festival Planning--Annual Festival—Sunday, July 14:

- ***Raffle Tickets:*** Please plan to pick them up today. Selling the tickets helps advertise the Festival. More tickets are available in the parish office or from the ushers.
- Donations for the ***Basket of Cheer;*** and for the ***Basket Raffle*** are needed and greatly appreciated.
- ***Work schedules:*** Sign up for a four hour shift in any area. Help at food service lines is especially needed at busy times--**Noon and 5:00 pm.**
- ***Volunteers Needed:*** **Thursday, July 11** and **Friday, July 12** both days at 6:00 pm: Help is needed with outdoor projects—setting up tents, place tables; and also **Saturday, July 13** at 9:00 am: The day before the Festival, help is needed to prepare the grounds

Festival Grounds Project--Rescheduled: **Volunteers** are needed to move *heavier benches*, clear leaves, trim shrubs, and other outdoor projects at the picnic grounds, Tuesday, July 2, 6 p.m. *Please come* to lend a hand.

Ice Cream Social: Next Sunday, July 7 in the church hall, following the Divine Liturgy. We are purchasing a new soft ice-cream machine for the festival. We hope to have in ready for use to dispense soft ice cream with toppings for next Sunday. This will give a “test-run” for machine before the festival.

Church Cleaning & Work Party for July:

- The *Church Cleaning* for July is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 2**, at **9:00 am**.
- The *Work Party* for July is scheduled for **Saturday, July 6**, at **9:00 am**.

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.

Bible Training Workshop: July 12-13, at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary offering sessions on Catholic Bible Study. Accommodations off-campus are available. Registration forms in the narthex.

100th Anniversary—Byzantine Ruthenian Church: The appointment of Bishop Basil Takach as the first Bishop for the Ruthenians in the United States in 1924 and other historic events are being commemorated at a *Jubilee Weekend* at the Byzantine Ruthenian Chapel, National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington; and also Epiphany of our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church in Annandale, Virginia. Details of this observance will be posted on the byzantine100.com Centenary of the Byzantine Catholic Church web site along with reservation tabs and dedicated phone number.

Fatima Family Festival: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R. from Loretto ***Fatima Family Festival,*** **Saturday July 13,** 2pm to 6pm. Food Trucks, Sweet Treats, Bouncy House, Lawn Games, Property Tours. Confessions will be available, ending with rosary and an outdoor Mass in the Gardens at 5 pm.

Bulletins and “Troitsja” Candle:

Sunday June 30: Candle: Owen Slanoc **Sunday July 7** 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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