

Liturgical Schedule Twentieth Week after Pentecost-- September 29, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday September 28, 2024

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday September 29, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy: [+Shawn Crum, by Steve Fleck & Carol Adams]

Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos Mary

Monday September 30

Beaverdale 4:00 PM Vespers with Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, October 1

Portage 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy--[+Alick Prudhoe, by Sharon Daniels & Margaret Prudhoe]

Thursday, October 3

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [Msgr. Peter Tay, by Johanna & Brad Spontak]

Saturday, October 5

Portage 2:00 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance
Dunlo 3:30 pm Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday October 5, 2024

Dunlo 4:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy [+Agnes Gindlesperger, by Pam Crouse]

Sunday October 6, 2024

Portage 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy:

Eastern Christian Formation Program: *Today*, we observe **Catechetical Sunday**, as we begin our 2024-2025 Eastern Christian Formation Classes. At the dismissal of the Divine Liturgy Catechists are commissioned and also the students come forward for a blessing for the beginning of this year's classes.

We gratefully acknowledge our Catechists for the 2024-2025 ECF Classes: Bern Blazosky; Julie Brenna; Sara Erzal; Molly Harrington; Alisha Slanoc; Angelica Spaid; Brittany Zelle. Deacon Daniel Perich-serves as ECF Coordinator. Please remember them and our students in your prayers.

“Treasury of Blessings”: A commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Byzantine-Ruthenian Church in America will air on **EWTN** in mid-October. The documentary, **“Treasury of Blessings”**, produced by Diane and Bob Grip has been under production for more than a year. Archival films, still pictures and videos gathered from the Archieparchial archives, private collections and on-site locations from all four eparchies. Metropolitan Archbishop William C. Skurla is the Executive Producer.

EWTN will show this program: **Friday, October 11**, 10:30 p.m. and **Saturday, October 12** at 11:30 a.m.

Protection of the Mother of God: We celebrate this feast of Mary on October 1, remembering in particular her continuing presence and her intercession in the life of the Church and on our behalf. Her *Protection* in particular moments and events in history are especially recalled on this day.

Ice Cream Social:...Today--September 29 following the Divine Liturgy. Parishioners are invited to the social room for ice cream with toppings, syrups etc.—*eat-in* or *take-out*. Enjoy our own home-made ice cream made from our new ice cream machine purchased for the annual festival this past summer.

Work Party & Church Cleaning: Church Cleaning is Tuesday, October 7, 9:00 am. The **Work Party** is Saturday, October 5, 9:00 am. **Thanks** to our Work Party & Church Cleaning volunteers.

Marian Choir Program: The Pittsburgh Byzantine Catholic Archeparchial Choir will present "*Maryfest*", St. Elias Church, Munhall, on Sunday, October 20, at 3:00 pm--a homage to the Theotokos. A "pumpkin spice" hospitality reception will follow in the parish social hall. St. Elias Church is located at 4200 Homestead-Duquesne Road in Munhall, PA 15120.

Byzantine Catholic Seminary "Come and See" Weekend for men 18 to 35 who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood in the Byzantine Catholic Church; Friday, November 8 to Sunday, November 10, at the Seminary. Free of charge; liturgical services, meals with Seminary community, introduction to formation program. Registration: www.bcs.edu. Deadline: October 16.

Welcome: *Deacon Luke Iyengar*, who was ordained a Deacon on Sunday September 22, will serve as deacon at Saint Mary's, Beaverdale at the 4:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy, Saturday, September 28.

Ethnic Food Sale: Saint Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Windber, Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29. *Halupki; Halushk*. Call/text Bill at 814-248-0947.

Tamburitzan Folk Ensemble: All Saints Parish, Boswell hosts performance by the **Tamburitzan Folk Ensemble**, Saturday October 12, North Star High School auditorium, Boswell, 2:00 PM. Dances, music, costumes from Croatian, Polish, Slovak, and other cultures. Reception in the parish hall. Tickets: 814-629-5551; or emarsh@dioceseaj.org. Proceeds benefit parish high school students' pilgrimages

100th Anniversary—Byzantine Ruthenian Church: The Archeparchy is sponsoring a bus to the celebration of 100 years of canonical establishment, and the 50th anniversary of the Byzantine Chapel in the National Basilica in Washington, DC October 12-13, 2024. Registration forms in narthex.

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday September 29

Candle: Easton Slanoc

Sunday October 6

Candle: Owen Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For the repose of the soul of: +Joan Miller sister-in-law of Julie Brenna For The Health of: Richard Whitcomb; Michael Perich; Deacon Lawrence Hruska, Saint Andrew Gibsonia; Larry Dipko; Jeffrey Moist; Jean Petoro, Mother of Jennifer Blazosky; Becky Zock; Carol Goral; Mary & Daniel Zaliznock; Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; 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 Nezeski; **Maple Heights, Ebensburg:** 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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