

**Liturgical Schedule Twenty-sevent Week after Pentecost — December 7, 2025**

**Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Saturday December 6**

Dunlo **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy:]

**Sunday December 7**

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy

[+Pasquale +Elena & +Tina Pieraccina, by Barbara & John Havrilla]]

**Feast of the Maternity of Holy Anna**

**Sunday, December 7**

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** *Great Vespers with Litija*]

**Monday, December 8**

Portage **9:00 AM** Divine Liturgy

**Tuesday, December 9**

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour

8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Fred Vrabel, by Ed & Janet Myers Family]

**Saturday, December 6**<sup>[DP1]</sup>

Portage **1:00 pm** *Confessions-Mystery of Repentance*

Beaverdale **3:30 pm** *Confessions-Mystery of Repentance*

**Sunday of the Forefathers**

**Saturday December 13**

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy:]

**Sunday December 14**

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Margaret Fleck, by Paul & Regina Erzal]]

**The Maternity of Holy Anna:**...On Monday, December 8 we observe the ***Feast of the Maternity of Holy Anna***

**Parish Saint Nicholas Social** will be Sunday, December 21 following the Divine Liturgy.

**Philip's Fast:** Our season of preparation for Christmas is November 15-December 24. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are observed during these days. Donations of canned goods, non-perishable foods may be brought throughout the Philip's Fast, for the *Portage* and *Forest Hills Food Pantries*.

**Parish Advisory Council** A meeting of the ***Parish Advisory Council*** for Saints Peter and Paul, Portage is being scheduled for Wednesday 10<sup>[DP2]</sup>, December 8, 7:00 pm in he cionference <sup>[DP3]</sup> room of the rectory. Members of the Parish Advisory Council are to receive minutes of previous meeting and agenda during this week

**Eternal Memory:** You are asked to pray for the repose of the soul of **+Monsignor Alexis Mihalik** a retired priest of the Archeparchy. Burial is to be in Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery; Dunlo; arrangements are pending.

**Forest Hills Community Concerts:**

- Sunday, December 7: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Windber 2 pm.
- Sun day, December 14: Saint Bartholomew, Wilmore 7 pm.
- Saturday, December 20: Ebensburg State Center, 2 pm.
- Sun day, December 21: Johnstown Galleria, 2 pm.

**“Joyful Light”:** The newsletter of the Byzantine Catholic Seminary is enclosed in today’s The newsletter contains an offering envelope for your consideration. Joyful Light is also available on the Seminary website: [www.bds.edu](http://www.bds.edu).

**Musical Concert:** **Vox Nova** from Mount Aloysius College will present a choral concert on December 10, 7:00 PM at Holy Protection Church Revloc. Western and Eastern Catholic Churches.

**Memorial Donation:** We have received a donation to Saints Peter and Paul Church, Dunlo in memory of **+Thelma Prozialeck**, from Charles and Michelle House, of Star Tannery, Virginia.

**Pilgrim Vocation Icon:** This week, the icon will be in the homes of:

**Portage Parishioners**

*Susan O’Toole*

**Beaverdale & Dunlo Parishioners**

*Doug & Marie Toxby*

**Community Carol Sing:** Sunday, December 7, 2:00 pm, hosted by Hammers Street Church of God. There are still openings for musicians, or choirs, etc. Please contact Father Jim in this regard.

**Liturgical Propers:**

Monday, December 8, Maternity of the Holy Anna (DL pp 277-280)

Sunday, December 14, Resurrection Tone 2 (DL 130), Sunday of the Forefathers (DL 281)

**Bulletins:** December 14: Owen Slanoc December 21: Lucy Harrington December 28: Joseph Blazosky

**Troitsja”** December 14: Owen Slanoc & Easton Slanoc December 21: Lucy Harrington \* Joseph B;azpsky

**Remember in Prayer:** As these needs change you may update your requests by informing Father Jim.

**For the Health of:** John Havrilla; Edward Cimba; Cindy {Pyo} Lewis; Jane Pyo; Mary Donnelly; I; Sandy {Lucci} Georg; Jessica Crum; Barbara Havrilla; Frank Jubara; Susan O’Toole; Richard Whitcomb; Michael Perich; Jeffrey Moist; Jean Petoro; Becky Zock; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; Jason Thornton; Charlett Thornton; Mary Lou Perich; Donna Block; Michael & Pauline Barelick; Matthew Barelick; Phil, & Dorothy Walters; Carissa Ratosky; Edward & Anita Wisniewski; Sandy Spontak, and the homebound.

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: SS Peter & Paul (Portage):** Louise Halovich; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; **Saint Mary, Beaverdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple Winds:** Elaine Vrabel; **Autumn View:** Andrew Deskevich, father of Father Andrew Deskevich.

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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 June 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 an integral 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: 1:00 p.m. (Portage) and 3:30 pm (Beaverdale/Dunlo)**. Also, **½ hour before services [except Sunday]**, and by appointment.

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