

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

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Welcome to Ss. Peter and Paul's Church of Bayonne, N.J. Our church was founded in 1922 and is a parish of the Orthodox Church in America. We hope that you enjoyed your visit today and, if you are searching for a new spiritual home, we would love for you to become a member of our parish family. To our parishioners here today, thank you for your ongoing participation in our church's worship and ministry.

July 24, 2016 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 4)

Today's Saints

Great-martyr Christina of Tyre; Virgin-martyr Christina of Bolsena; St. Christiana of Flanders; Martyrs and Passion-bearers Boris and Gleb; Martyr Vincent of Rome; Martyrs Victor, Stercatius and Antinogenes of Merida; Martyrs Wulfhad and Rufinus of Mercia; St. Sigolena of Albi; St. Godo, Abbot of Oye; St. Declan, Bishop of Ardmore; Nun-martyr Lewina of Seaford

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy
After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Stephen Cimboic (40th Day)

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

See Bulletin Insert for today's Bible readings and other Liturgy variables.

Today's Special Offerings

Sanctuary Lamp offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Rose Brelinsky (anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

Parish News: Fr. Sophrony shall be away in Puerto Rico from July 26th to August 4th. A substitute priest shall say Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 31st. Call Fr. John Fencik at (201) 436-5549 or (201) 779-6604 in the event any emergency arises during Fr. Sophrony's absence.

Local Events: Thursday, August 25th is "Diocesan Youth Day 2016," featuring an excursion to Six Flags Great Adventure for all diocesan youth and their friends for \$35 per person, which includes round-trip bus transportation between St. Mary's Church in Jackson and Six Flags Great Adventure, admission to the theme park, and a meal voucher. Registration deadline is August 15th. See flyer on the church bulletin board for information.

Upcoming Services

July 31, 2016 (Next Weekend)

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016
TONE 4 / FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GREAT-MARTYR CHRISTINA OF TYRE; VIRGIN-MARTYR CHRISTINA OF BOLSENA; ST. CHRISTIANA
OF FLANDERS; MARTYRS AND PASSION-BEARERS BORIS AND GLEB; MARTYR VINCENT OF ROME; MARTYRS VICTOR, STERCATIUS AND ANTIPOGENES OF MERIDA; MARTYRS WULFHAD AND RUFINUS OF MERCA; ST. SIGOLENA OF ALBI; ST. GODO, ABBOT OF OYE; ST. DECLAN, BISHOP OF ARDMORE; NUN-MARTYR LEWINA OF SEAFORD

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF ST. CHRISTINA IN TONE FOUR

Thy lamb Christina calls out to Thee, O Jesus, in a loud voice: / I love Thee, my Bridegroom, and in seeking Thee I endure suffering. / In baptism I was crucified so that I might reign in Thee, / and I died so that I might live with Thee. / Accept me as a pure sacrifice, / for I have offered myself in love. / Through her prayers save our souls, since Thou are merciful.

- *Now sing the Troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE FOUR

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He shattered the gates of Hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom Thou hast made them all!
v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (10:1-10)

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into Heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
v. Spread out, prosper, and reign; because of truth, meekness, and righteousness!
v. You have loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

- *The typical communion hymn ("Praise the Lord from the heavens . . .") is sung.*