

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 16, 2017 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 5)

Today's Saints

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils; St. Vladimir, Grand Prince of Kiev, Equal-to-the-Apostles [transferred from July 15]; Hieromartyr Athenogenes, Bishop of Heracleopolis and his ten martyred disciples; Martyrs Paul, Valentina, and Chionia of Caesarea-in-Palestine; Martyr Antiochus the Physician, of Sebaste; Virgin-martyr Julia of Carthage; Martyr Domnio of Bergamo; Hieromartyr Valentine, Bishop of Trier; Martyr Helier the Hermit, of Jersey; Nun-martyr Reineldis of Saintes and Companions; St. Tenenan, Bishop of Leon; Martyr Sisenandus the Deacon, of Cordoba; St. Vitalian, Bishop of Osimo; St. Irmengard, Abbess of Buchau

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Announcements & Events

- Please see the church bulletin board for flyers of upcoming local events.
- Fr. Sophrony shall be away July 25-Aug. 4, 2017. A substitute priest will celebrate Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Emergencies during Fr. Sophrony's absence should be directed to Fr. John Fencik at (201) 436-5549 or (201) 779-6604.

Upcoming Services

July 22-23, 2017 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy



St. Vladimir, Grand Prince of Kiev (958-1015)

Divine Liturgy Variables for Sunday, July 16, 2017

Tone 5 / Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FIVE

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead // by His glorious Resurrection.

TROPARION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE FOUR

Most glorious art Thou, O Christ our God! / Thou hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth! / Through them Thou hast guided us to the true faith! / O greatly Compassionate One, glory to Thee!

TROPARION OF ST. VLADIMIR IN TONE FOUR

Holy Prince Vladimir, you were like a merchant in search of fine pearls. By sending servants to Constantinople for the Orthodox Faith, you found Christ, the priceless Pearl. He appointed you to be another Paul, washing away in baptism your physical and spiritual blindness. We celebrate your memory, asking you to pray for all Orthodox Christians of Russia, and for us, your spiritual children.

Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul

- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*

KONTAKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have established one faith for the Church. / Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly theology, / It defines and glorifies the great mystery of Orthodoxy!

- *Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE FIVE

Thou descended into Hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou have

delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, // and we cry to Thee : "O Lord, save us!"

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FIVE

Thou, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.
v. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

Prokeimenon in Tone Four: Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (12:6-14)

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, and serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:7-16)

Brethren, remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FIVE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v. Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; and My truth will be prepared in the heavens.

THE GOSPEL

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

At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—He then said to the paralytic—"Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they marveled, and they glorified God, Who had given such authority to men.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given

Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!