

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.

September 10, 2017 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 5)

Today's Saints

Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary. St. Pulcheria, Eastern Roman Empress; Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora and Nymphodora of Bithynia; Apostles Apelles, Lucius, and Clement of the Seventy; Ss. Peter and Paul, Bishops of Nicaea; St. Paul the Obedient, of the Kiev-Caves; Martyr Barypsabas of Dalmatia; Nine Bishops and Confessors of Numidia; St. Agapius, Bishop of Novara; St. Veranus, Bishop of Vence; St. Salvius, Bishop of Albi; St. Autbert, Bishop of Avranches, Founder of the Mont Saint-Michel Abbey; St. Candida the Younger; St. Finnian, Founder of Moville Abbey; St. Theodard, Bishop of Maastricht, St. Frithestan, Bishop of Winchester; St. Peter of Mozonzo, Archbishop of Compostella

Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers & General Confession
9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy
After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Fr. Constantine Buketoff and Wilfred Royer, offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Today's Special Offerings

Seven-day Altar Vigils offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Andrew Wanko (anniversary of repose). **Triple Candelabra** offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Wilfred and Concetta Royer. **St. John's Cross** offered by Keira Canova, Mia Canova, Leila Canova, Ken Bianchini, and Lauren Petronko in honor of Helen Wanko's birthday. **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by Larissa Bianchini Canova, Ken Bianchini, Lauren Petronko, and Lindsay Wanko in honor of Helen Wanko's birthday.

Announcements & Events

- The Bayonne Alpha "R Club" is having its annual flea market on Saturday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 30th. Donors for the flea market are asked to start bringing their donated items to the church hall.
- The Konevets Quartet is performing at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church's Founders Hall in Randolph, N.J. on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM. A free will donation of \$15 per person is suggested. For information, contact Sonia Kraftician at SonnySKay@msn.com or 973-887-3731.
- The Tamburitzans, a Pittsburgh based ensemble specializing in the folk music and dance of Central and Eastern Europe, is performing at Clifton High School, 333 Colfax Ave., Clifton, N.J. on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 4:00 PM. For information, see www.talentshadows.events or call 201-796-2050.
- The Parish Council is meeting on Monday, September 18th at 7:00 PM.

Upcoming Services

September 13-14, 2017 (Elevation of Holy Cross)

6:00 PM (Wednesday) – Great Vespers w. Lity
9:00 AM (Thursday) – Divine Liturgy

September 16-17, 2017 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for September 10, 2017
Tone 5 / Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
After-feast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary

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 FEAST IN TONE FOUR

Thy Nativity, O Virgin, / has proclaimed joy to the whole universe! / The Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, / has shone from Thee, O Theotokos! / By annulling the curse, / He bestowed a blessing. // By destroying death, He has granted us eternal Life.

Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul

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

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!”

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

KONTAKION OF THE FEAST IN TONE FOUR

By Your Nativity, O Most Pure Virgin, / Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness; / Adam and Eve, from the corruption of death. / And we, your people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and sing to you: / The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the nourisher of our life!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.
v. To thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (1:21-2:4)

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; He has put his seal upon us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

v. He will say to the Lord: “My Protector and my Refuge; my God in Whom I trust.”

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (3:13-17)

The Lord said, “No one has ascended into heaven but He who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent His Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.”

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (22:1-14)

And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.”’ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.’ So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!