

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 15, 2018 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 6)

Today's Saints

Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils; St. Vladimir, Great Prince of Kiev, Equal-to-the-Apostles; Martyrs Cyricus and Julitta of Tarsus; Martyr Felix of Pavia; Martyrs Catulinus, Januarius, Florentius, Julia, and Justa of Carthage; Martyrs Secundinus, Agrippinus, Maximus, Fortunatus, and Martialis of Pannonia; Martyrs Eutropius, Zosimas, and Bonosa of Rome; St. Apronia of Troyes; St. Eternus, Bishop of Evreux; St. Donald of Ogilvy; St. Edith, Abbess of Polesworth; St. Athanasius, Bishop of Naples; St. Benedict, Bishop of Angers; St. Haruch, Bishop of Werden; St. Adelard the Younger

Today's Services

5:00 PM (Saturday) Great Vespers w. Lity

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Basil Kraftician (40th Day)

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 the Wasilewski Family in memory of Julia Wasilewski (anniversary of birth). **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by the Wasilewski Family in memory of family members born in July.

Announcements & Events

- The next parish council meeting is Monday, July 30, 2018 at 7:00 PM.
- Reader Stephen Wasilewski will be representing our parish at the 19th All-American Council meeting in St. Louis, Missouri on July 23-27, 2018.

Upcoming Services

July 21-22, 2018 (Next Weekend)

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy



St. Vladimir (956-1015)

St. Vladimir was a Prince of Novgorod and a Grand Prince of Kiev, ruling Kievan Rus' from 980 to 1015. Vladimir's father was Prince Sviatoslav of the Rurik Dynasty. After the death of his father in 972, Vladimir, who was then Prince of Novgorod, was forced to flee to Scandinavia in 976 after his brother Yaropolk had murdered his other brother Oleg and conquered Rus'. In Sweden, with the help from his relative Haakon Sigurdsson, Earl of Norway, he assembled a Varangian army and reconquered Novgorod from Yaropolk. By 980, Vladimir had consolidated the Kievan realm from modern-day Belarus, Russia, and Ukraine to the Baltic Sea and had secured the frontiers against incursions of Bulgars, Baltic tribes, and Asiatic nomads. Originally a follower of Slavic paganism, Vladimir converted to Christianity in 988 and Christianized the entire realm of Kievan Rus'.

Divine Liturgy Variables for July 15, 2018 / Tone 6

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure body. Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. // O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF ST. VLADIMIR IN TONE FOUR

O holy Prince Vladimir, thou wast like a merchant in search of fine pearls. By sending servants to Constantinople for the Orthodox Faith, thou didst find Christ, the priceless Pearl. He appointed thee to be another Paul, washing away in baptism thy physical and spiritual blindness. We celebrate thy memory, asking thee to pray for all Orthodox Christians of Russia // and for us, thy spiritual children.

TROPARION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Thou art most glorious, 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!

- *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 SIX

When Christ God the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. // He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy name forever!

v. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us!

Prokeimenon in Tone Three: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)

Brethren: We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (1:11-19)

Brethren: But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FIVE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

v. Gather to Me, My venerable ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice!

v. I have exalted one chosen out of My people.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)

When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons." Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

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 you righteous; praise befits the just! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!