

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.

January 27, 2019 – 35th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

Today's Saints

Synaxis of Three Hierarchs [transferred from Jan. 30]. New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia; Translation of Relics of St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople

Today's Services

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy
After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Stephanie Economides, offered by Eva Benda

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Today's Special Offerings

St. Nicholas' Cross offered by Suchowacki Family in memory of Maksym Szewczyk (anniversary of birth).

Announcements & Events

- “Souper Bowl” Project: Starting in December, our parish will be collecting cans of soup for donation to a local soup kitchen. A bin for the soup cans will be in the church hall until February 3, 2019. Thank you for co-operating in this project!
- The installation ceremony of the new Parish Council is today at the end of Divine Liturgy. A Parish Council meeting will follow after Divine Liturgy.
- FOCA New Jersey District’s annual beefsteak dinner is February 22, 2019 at the Russian Hall, 46 Woodhull Ave., Little Falls, N.J., starting at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$50 per person (\$40 for children under 16). Contact Stephen Wasilewski at 201-960-4352 by February 11, 2019 to reserve tickets.
- A Parastas in memory of Angelo Cusano Jr. is scheduled for next Sunday after Divine Liturgy.

Upcoming Services

February 1-2, 2019 (Presentation of Christ)

6:00 PM (Friday) – Great Vespers w. Lity
9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

February 2-3, 2019 (Next Weekend)

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."

- Pericles (494-429 BC)

Divine Liturgy Variables for January 27, 2019

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: // “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

TROPARION OF THREE HIERARCHS IN TONE ONE

Let us who love their words gather together / and honor with hymns the three great torch-bearers of the triune Godhead: / Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom. / These men have enlightened the world with the rays of their divine doctrines. / They are sweetly-flowing rivers of wisdom / filling all creation with springs of heavenly knowledge. // Ceaselessly they intercede for us before the Holy Trinity!

- *Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul in Tone Four*
- *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 TWO

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, // and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE TWO

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
v. The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Prokeimenon in Tone Eight: “Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth; and their words to the ends of the universe.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (3:12-16)

Brethren, therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the

bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

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 TWO

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee!

v. Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

v. The heavens confess your wonders, O Lord, your truth in the church of the saints.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:14-30)

For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents

besides them.' His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.' But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (5:14-19)

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one stroke will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION HYMNS

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