

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 7, 2019 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

Today's Saints

St. Thomas of Mount Maleon; St. Acacius of Mount Sinai; St. Euphrosyne (Eudoxia), Grand Duchess of Moscow; Martyrs Peregrinus, Lucian, Ompeius, Hesychnus, Papius, Saturninus and Germanus of Dyrrachium; Hieromartyr Evangelicus, Bishop of Tomis (disciple of Apostle Andrew); Martyr Cyriaca of Nicomedia; St. Willibald, Bishop of Eichstätt; St. Prosper of Aquitaine; St. Pantaenus of Alexandria; St. Felix, Bishop of Nantes; St. Ethelburgh, Princess of East Anglia, Abbess of Faremoutiers-en-Brie; St. Palladius, Evangelizer in Scotland; St. Hedda, Abbot of Malmesbury; St. Ilfidius, Bishop of Clermont; St. Bonitus, Abbot of Montecassino; St. Apollonius, Bishop of Brescia; St. Ampelius, Bishop of Milan; St. Angelelmus, Bishop of Auxerre

Today's Services

5:00 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

- See bulletin board for information on the pilgrimage to Alaska with Archbishop Michael in July 2020.
- Fr. Sophrony shall be away from July 23rd to August 3rd. In his absence, Fr. John Kluchko will serve as substitute at Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 28, 2019. In the event of an emergency, call Fr. John Fencik at (201) 436-5549 or (201) 779-6604.
- On Monday, 22 July 2019, the interior walls and ceilings of the Church of the Holy Transfiguration in Pearl River NY will begin a week-long process of receiving a cleaning and some fresh paint. The cleaning and painting will be done by volunteers from throughout the New Jersey Deanery and our Diocese under the name "Project Pearl River." Archbishop Michael has blessed this effort as a way to help a diocesan parish beautify its temple in an affordable and collaborative way. Help is needed from all diocesan clergy, parishioners and friends in order for this project to be a success.

Upcoming Services

July 13-14, 2019 (Next Weekend)

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers & General Confession

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!"

Psalm 33:12

"America was founded by people who believe that God was their rock of safety. I recognize we must be cautious in claiming that God is on our side, but I think it's all right to keep asking if we're on His side. If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

President Ronald Reagan (1911-2004)

Divine Liturgy Variables for July 7, 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 SS. THOMAS AND ACACIUS IN TONE FOUR

O God of our Fathers, always act with kindness towards us; take not Thy mercy from us, but guide our lives in peace // through the prayers of Saints Thomas and Acacius!

- *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.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (5:1-10)

Brethren, Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. While we were yet helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while

we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

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!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (6:22-33)

“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is not sound, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.”

COMMUNION HYMN

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