

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 21, 2019 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 4)

Today's Saints

Prophet Ezekiel; Ss. Simeon and John of Edessa; St. Praxedes of Rome (sister of St. Pudentiana); Martyr Julia of Troyes and Companions; Martyrs Victor Alexander, Felician, and Longinus of Marseille; St. Constantine, Abbot of Montecassino; St. Arbogast, Bishop of Strasbourg; St. Wastrada of Susteren (mother of St. Gregory of Utrecht)

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.

Today's Special Offerings

- **Sanctuary Lamp** offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Wilfred Royer
- (anniversary of birth).

Announcements & Events

- There shall be a special collection today for the benefit of St. Andrew's Camp. Thank you in advance for your generosity!
- 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.
- Tomorrow the interior walls and ceilings of the Orthodox Church of the Holy Transfiguration in Pearl River NY will begin a week-long process of receiving a cleaning and some fresh paint. by volunteers from throughout the New York-New Jersey Diocese under the name "Project Pearl River." Help is needed from all diocesan clergy, parishioners and friends in order for this project to be a success.

Upcoming Services

July 28, 2019 (Next Weekend)

9:00 AM (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for July 21, 2019

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!”

TROPARION OF PROPHET EZEKIEL IN TONE TWO

We celebrate the memory of Thy Prophet Ezekiel, O Lord; through him, we beseech Thee: // save our souls!

- 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 FOUR

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, // He has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.
v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great!

THE EPISTLE

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

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says, Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “Who will descend into the abyss?” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!

v. For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

And when he came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, “What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?” Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged him, “If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine.” And he said to them, “Go.” So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

"I have concluded the evident existence of God, and that my existence depends entirely on God in all the moments of my life, that I do not think that the human spirit may know anything with greater evidence and certitude."

Rene Descartes (1596-1650)