

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 1, 2019 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

Today's Saints

Church New Year. St. Simeon Stylites, the Elder; St. Martha, mother of St. Simeon Stylites; Martyr Aithalas the Deacon, of Persia; Holy Forty Women Martyrs and Martyr Ammon the Deacon, their teacher, at Heraclea in Thrace; Martyr Callista, and her brother, Martyrs Evodius and Hermogenes, of Nicomedia; Righteous Joshua, son of Nun; St. Meletius the New; Virgin-martyr Vibiana of Rome (patroness of Los Angeles, California); Hieromartyr Priscus, first Bishop of Capua, and Companions; Hieromartyr Terentian, Bishop of Todi; St. Sixtus, 1st Bishop of Rheims; St. Victorinus (a disciple of St. Martin of Tours); Ss. Vincent, 1st Bishop of Xaintes, and Laetus the Deacon; St. Verena, Anchoress in Switzerland; Twelve Holy Martyrs of South Italy; Hieromartyr Regulus of Tuscany; St. Lupus, Bishop of Sens, and his mother, St. Agia; St. Giles (patron saint of cripples and beggars); St. Constantius, Bishop of Aquino; St. Nivard, Archbishop of Rheims; Ss. Arcanus and Giles, Founders of Sansepolcro Abbey

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 Protopresbyter Vladimir Shishkoff (10th anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

- The Carpatho-Russian American Citizens Club of Bayonne (“Carpathian Club”) is celebrating its centennial anniversary on Saturday, October 19, 2019, from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Tickets are \$50 (in advance). which includes premium hors d’oeuvres, buffet dinner, draft beer, wine, soda, and a dessert/pastry table. For reservations contact Stephen Wanko at 201-437-6549.
- The Sons of Italy Lodge #2560 is presenting a “Salute to the Stars of Opera” at 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 20, 2019, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 979 Avenue C, Bayonne, N.J. Donation is \$20 (advance), or \$25 (at the door). Tickets may be purchased by contacting Marie at 201-858-0520, or Elaine at 201-339-2904, or Grace at 201-823-0293.
- Next Sunday there shall be a Parastas in memory of Fr. Constantine Buketoff and Fr. Vladimir Shishkoff after Divine Liturgy.
- Reminder: We shall return to having all morning services at 9:30 AM starting on Sunday, September 8, 2019.

Upcoming Services

September 7-8, 2019 (Next Weekend)

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

“Those who gave thee a body, furnished it with weakness; but He who gave thee Soul, armed thee with resolution. Employ it, and thou art wise; be wise and thou art happy.”

— Akhenaten, Pharaoh of Egypt (died 1336 BC)

Divine Liturgy Variables for September 1, 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 CHURCH NEW YEAR IN TONE TWO

O Creator of the Universe, Thou didst appoint times by Thine own power; bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord! Preserve in safety Thy rulers and Thy cities: // and through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

TROPARION OF ST. SIMEON IN TONE ONE

Thou wast a pillar of patient endurance, having imitated the Forefathers, O Venerable One: Job in suffering and Joseph in temptations. Thou didst live like the bodiless hosts while yet in the flesh, O Simeon, our Father. // Beseech Christ God that our souls may be saved!

- *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:*

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.

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

KONTAKION OF CHURCH NEW YEAR IN TONE FOUR

O Creator and Master of time and the ages, Triune and Merciful God of all: grant blessings for the course of this year, and in Thy boundless mercy save those who worship Thee and cry out in fear: // O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE THREE

Great is our Lord and abundant in power! His understanding is beyond measure!
v. Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God.

Prokeimenon in Tone Seven: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (9:2-12)

Brethren, if to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain.” Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy. (2:1-7)

Brethren, first of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Praise is due to Thee, O God, in Zion, and to Thee shall vows be performed.

v. Bless the crown of the year with Thy goodness, O Lord!

v. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (18:23-35)

“Therefore, the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (4:16-22)

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as his custom was, on the sabbath day. And he stood up to read; and there was given to him the book of the prophet Isaiah. He opened the book and found the place where it was written, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” And he closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” And all spoke well of him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth; and they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?”

COMMUNION HYMN

Bless the crown of the year with Thy goodness, O Lord! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!