

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 8, 2019 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 3)

Today's Saints

Feast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary and Sunday before Elevation of Holy Cross

Today's Services

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

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Archbishop Nikon (Liolin), Mitred Archpriest

Constantine Buketoff, and Protopresbyter Vladimir Shishkoff

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Today's Special Offerings

Altar Vigils offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Andrew Wanko (anniversary of repose). **Sanctuary Lamp** offered in honor of Helen Wanko's birthday by her grandchildren (Lauren, Matthew, Nicholas, Kenneth, John, Daniel, and Lindsay) great-grandchildren (Kiera, Mia, Leila, and Landon).

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 Wilfred Royer and Peter & Marie Lopen after Divine Liturgy.
- This month's General Confession is scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2019 after Great Vespers.
- Archbishop Nikon (Liolin) of Boston, age 73, passed into blessed repose on September 1, 2019. Memory Eternal!

Upcoming Services

September 13-14, 2019 (Holy Cross Elevation)

6:00 PM (Friday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

September 14-15, 2019 (Next Weekend)

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

“Men do not fear a powerful hostile army as the powers of hell fear the name and protection of Mary.”

— St. Bonaventure (1217-1274)

Divine Liturgy Variables for September 8, 2019

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world // great mercy.

FESTAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

Thy nativity, O Virgin, has proclaimed joy to the whole universe! The Sun of righteousness, Christ our God, has shone from thee, O Theotokos. By annulling the curse, He bestowed a blessing. // By destroying death, He has granted us eternal life.

- *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 THREE

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs // they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

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

FESTAL KONTAKION IN TONE FOUR

By thy nativity, most pure Virgin, Joachim and Anne are freed from barrenness, Adam and Eve — from the corruption of death. And we, thy people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and sing to thee: // “The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life.”

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!
v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Prokeimenon in Tone Three: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which[a] the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Philippians. (2:5-11)

Brethren, have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

ALLELUIA IN TONE ONE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

v. For My hand shall defend him and My arm shall strengthen him.

v. Harken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (3:13-17)

No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.” For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (10:38-42; 11:27-28)

Now as they went on their way, he entered a village; and a woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

FESTAL MEGALYNARION

Magnify, O my soul, the most glorious birth of the Mother of God!

Virginity is foreign to mothers; childbearing is strange for virgins. But in thee, O Theotokos, both were accomplished. // Therefore all we nations of the earth unceasingly magnify thee.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!