

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.

November 17, 2019 – 1st Sunday of Advent (Tone 5)

Today's Saints

St. Gregory the Wonderworker, Bishop of Neocaesarea; St. Gregory, Bishop of Tours; St. Lazarus the Iconographer, of Constantinople; St. Nikon, Abbot of Radonezh (disciple of St. Sergius of Radonezh); St. Hilda, Abbess of Whitby; St. Gennadius of Vatopedi (Mount Athos); Martyrs Acisclus and Victoria of Cordoba; St. Eugenius, Deacon of Florence (disciple of St. Ambrose of Milan); St. Anianus, Bishop of Orleans; St. Namasius, Bishop of Vienne

Today's Services

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Brenda Royer, offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer

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 Brenda Royer (tenth anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

- Annual Parish Meeting is next Sunday after the 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy.
- Citing the demands of his new job on his time, Reader Stephen Wasilewski has resigned from the presidency of the Parish Council. Parish Council vice-president Robert Pierce shall serve as acting president for the remainder of the term, effective immediately. We thank Reader Stephen for his many years of dedicated service to the church during his tenure as Parish Council president, and wish him success in all his endeavors and many years!
- Next Sunday is IOCC Sunday – there shall be a special collection for the benefit of the International Orthodox Christian Charities. Thank you in advance for your generosity!
- All parishioners ought to go to confession during the Nativity Fast, which may be heard after any Vespers. Those unable to attend a Vespers ought to call the Rectory at (201) 436-3244 to make an appointment.
- Order forms for St. Mary's bread sale are available in the church vestibule.

Upcoming Services

November 20-21, 2019

6:00 PM (Wednesday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Thursday) – Divine Liturgy

November 23-24, 2019 (Next Weekend)

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for November 17, 2019

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FIVE

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the World, Co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead, // by His glorious Resurrection.

TROPARION OF ST. GREGORY THE WONDERWORKER IN TONE EIGHT

You became worthy of your name through your way of life: / through your vigilance in prayer and your constant works of mercy. / Therefore, O Father Gregory, beseech Christ God to enlighten our minds, / that we may not sleep in sin, which leads to death!

- *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 FIVE

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man, // and we cry to Thee: O Lord, save us!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FIVE

Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.
v. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

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 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.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FIVE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v. For Thou hast said: "Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (12:16-21)

And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

COMMUNION HYMN

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

*"They told . . .
how, of thousand snakes, each one
Was changed into a coil stone,
When holy Hilda prayed:
Themselves, within their holy bound,
Their stony folds had often found.
They told how sea-fowls' pinions fail,
As over Whitby's towers they sail,
And, sinking down, with flutterings faint,
They do their homage to the saint."
-- Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832), 'Marmion',
Canto II, xvi*