

Saints Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church

(A parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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Today's Services – September 8, 2013

11th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

Today's Feast

Nativity of the All-holy Virgin Mary. Sunday Before Elevation of the Holy Cross.
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Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers with Lity

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12

If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense to those who examine me is this: Do we have no right to eat and drink? Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink the milk of the flock? Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain." Is it oxen God is concerned about? Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be a

partaker of his hope. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ. *Second Epistle: See Bulletin Insert*

Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35

Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, "Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all." Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, "Pay me what you owe!" So his fellow servant fell down at this feet and begged him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you all." And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what he had done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, "You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?" And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses. *Second Gospel: See Bulletin Insert*

Upcoming Services: September 13-14, 2013

6:00 PM (Friday) – Great Vespers with Lity

9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

Upcoming Services: September 14-15, 2013

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Join us for *coffee hour* after Liturgy. All parishioners and visitors are welcome! General Confession is scheduled for Saturday, September 21st after Vespers. The next Parish Council meeting has been changed to Monday, September 23rd at 7:00 PM.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

(TONE 2)

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Nativity of the All-Holy Virgin Mary

(at the Divine Liturgy)

Tone 2 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.
And when from the depths You raised the dead,
all the powers of heaven cried out://
“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

Tone 4 Troparion *(Nativity of the Theotokos)*

Your nativity, O Virgin,
has proclaimed joy to the whole universe!
The Sun of righteousness, Christ our God,
has shone from you, O Theotokos.
By annulling the curse,
He bestowed a blessing://

Tone 2 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior,
seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb!
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced
with
 You, //
and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

Tone 4 Kontakion *(Nativity of the Theotokos)*

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

Tone 6 Prokeimenon

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance! *(Ps 27/28:9)*
v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps
27/28:1)

Tone 3 Prokeimenon *(Song of the Theotokos)*

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my
Savior.

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18, 1 Corinthians 9:2-12, Philippians
2:5-11
*(The readings for the Sunday before the Elevation and the Resurrection
are read as one.)*

Alleluia in Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: I have exalted one chosen out of My people. (Ps 88/89:20)
v: For My hand shall defend him and My arm shall strengthen
him.

(Ps 88/89:22)

Tone 8

v: Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear! (Ps 44/45:10)

Gospel: John 3:13-17, Matthew 18:23-35, Luke 10:38-42;
11:27-28

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(Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing:)

Tone 8

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 you, O Theotokos, both were accomplished./

Therefore all we nations of the earth unceasingly magnify you.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

(Ps 115/116:13)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Second Epistle: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has

highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Second Gospel: *Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28*

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me." And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her. And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts that nursed You!" But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Announcements & Events (continued)

Bayonne "R" Club: The Bayonne "R" Club is having its flea market on Saturday, September 28th and Saturday, October 5th. Donations of items will be gratefully accepted. If necessary, please contact any club member to arrange for pick up.

Carpathian Club: The Carpathian Club's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18th at 7:30 PM. The Club's picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 22nd from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Contact Stephen Wasilewski for tickets -- \$15 for advance purchase, \$17 at the door.

Local Area Events: The "Patriarch Tikhon Choir" shall be in concert on September 16th at 7:30 PM, at St. Malachy's the Actor's Chapel, 239 W. 49th St., New York, New York. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for students, and can be purchased online at patriarchtikhon.com or at the door. ShopRite of Bayonne's "Partners in Care" initiative is Wednesday, September 18th from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Proceeds from the store's customers shall be for the benefit of local food banks. If interested in volunteering, contact Stephen Wasilewski.

Diocesan Events: The diocese's "Operation Princeton" is a project calling for volunteers to work on preparing the new church in Princeton, N.J. for occupancy. Work is scheduled for September 20-21 and October 25-26. Donations will also be accepted. Call 609-306-4168 for information.

Today's Special Donations

7-Day Vigils (\$10) on the Altar offered by John & Helen Wanko in memory of Andrew Wanko (anniversary of repose)