

Saints Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church

(A parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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Today's Services - January 12, 2014 Sunday After Theophany (Tone 4)

Today's Saints

Martyr Tatiana of Rome & Companions, St. Sava , First Archbishop of Serbia,
St. Martinian, Abbot of Belozersk, Virgin-martyr Euthasia, Martyr Mertius of
Mauretania

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) - Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Today's Special Donations

Sanctuary Lamp donated in honor of Deborah Wanko's birthday by Lauren,
Nick, and Lindsay.

Upcoming Services

January 18-19, 2014

6:00 PM (Saturday) - Great Vespers & General Confession

9:30 AM (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: "Coffee Hour" today after Liturgy - all parishioners and visitors are welcome! A schedule of the house blessings this year is posted in the church vestibule. All blessings in Bayonne are scheduled for January 18th and 19th. House blessings in other locations are by special appointment. Wilfred Royer has returned to Doctors Subacute Care Center in Paterson, N.J. Starting this month, your offering envelopes packets will contain a new "Building Fund" envelope. Please use the "Building Fund" envelopes so that the intent of the Building Fund might be successfully met, and may God's grace be with you for your generosity. The next meeting of the Parish Council is Monday, January 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

In Memoriam: Pelagia Szewczyk, the mother of Maria Suchowacki, passed into blessed repose in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on January 7, 2014. Memory Eternal!

Carpathian Club: The next meeting of the Carpathian Club is Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 7:30 PM.

Diocesan Events: The "Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors" appreciation dinner for the N.J. Deanery is scheduled for January 26, 2014 at Assumption of the Holy Virgin Church in Clifton, N.J.

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014

TONE 4 / SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY OF CHRIST

MARTYR TATIANA OF ROME AND THOSE WITH HER; ST. SAVA I, FIRST
ARCHBISHOP OF SERBIA; ST. MARTINIAN, ABBOT OF BELOZERSK; VIRGIN-
MARTYR EUTHASIA; MARTYR MERTIUS OF MAURETANIA

- *After the Entrance, sing the hymns in the following order below.*

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF THE THEOPHANY OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, worship of the Trinity wast made manifest; for the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truth of His word. O Christ our God, Who hath appeared and enlightened the world, glory to Thee.

- *Now sing the Troparion of Ss. Peter & Paul*

KONTAKION OF MARTYR TATIANA OF ROME IN TONE FOUR

In your sufferings you shone brightly, in the royal purple of your blood, and like a beautiful dove you flew to heaven, passion-bearer Tatiana, therefore always pray for those who honor you.

KONTAKION OF ST. SAVA, ARCHBISHOP OF SERBIA IN TONE EIGHT

The Church glorifies you as its first great hierarch and the Apostles' companion, O venerable one. Since you have boldness before Christ God, save us by your prayers from every tribulation, so that we may cry out to you: Rejoice, O divinely-wise Father Sava!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

KONTAKION OF THE THEOPHANY OF CHRIST IN TONE FOUR

Today Thou hast appeared to the universe, O Lord, and Thy light hath been shed upon us, who praise Thee with knowledge, saying, Thou hast come and appeared, O unapproachable Light.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE ONE

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee.
v. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the upright!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:7-13)

Brethren, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When He ascended on high He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men." (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that He had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is He who also ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

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. Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy Truth will be prepared in the heavens.

THE GOSPEL

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (4:12-17)

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulon and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulon and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.*

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS: FROM THE FESTAL CANON ODE NINE (TONE TWO)

Magnify, O my soul, the most-pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts!

No tongue knows how to praise thee worthily, O Theotokos; even the Angels are overcome with awe praising thee! But since thou art good, accept our faith; for thou knowest our love inspired by God. Thou art the defender of Christians, and we magnify thee.

COMMUNION HYMNS

The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!