

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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Sunday, June 15, 2014 – 1st Sunday after Pentecost

Synaxis of All Saints (Tone 8)

Today's Saints

Prophet Amos; Ss. Jerome of Stridonium & Augustine, Bishop of Hippo; St. Jonah, Metropolitan of Moscow; St. Michael, First Metropolitan of Kiev; Great-martyr Lazarus, Prince of Serbia; Martyrs Modestus & Crescentia of Lucania; Martyr Doulas of Cilicia & St. Doulas, Passion-bearer of Egypt; Translation of Relics of St. Theodore the Sykeote

Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers w. General Confession

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Stephen Sokol, offered by Lillian Sokol

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Today's Special Donations

Seven-day Altar Vigils, Sanctuary Lamp, and Eucharistic Bread & Wine offered by Lillian Sokol memory of Stephen Sokol (anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Happy Father's Day! Fr. Sophrony will be away June 17-19, 2014 in order to attend the Clergy Continuing Education Symposium at St. Tikhon's Monastery. If there is an emergency need for a priest on those dates, contact Fr. John Fencik at 201-779-6604. There shall be an indoor picnic on Sunday, June 29, 2014 after Divine Liturgy, which is being sponsored by our parish's chapter (lodge #100) of the Russian Brotherhood Organization. You are requested to sign the list in the church vestibule if you plan to attend.

Carpathian Club: The club's monthly meeting is June 18th at 7:30 PM.

R.B.O. Lodge #100 Events: The lodge's annual meeting will take place after the indoor picnic on Sunday, June 29, 2014.

Local Events: The Konevets Quartet from St. Petersburg, Russia will be performing at Holy Apostles Church, 17 Platt Ave., Saddle Brook, N.J. on Tuesday, June 24th at 7:00 PM. Open to the public – a "free-will" donation is requested.

Upcoming Services

June 21-22, 2014

6:00 PM – Great Vespers

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, June 15, 2014 (Tone 8)

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TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION IN TONE EIGHT

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF ALL SAINTS IN TONE FOUR

Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout the entire world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifts her voice crying: Turn with Thy compassion toward Thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

- *Now sing the Troparion of Ss. Peter & Paul.*
- *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 ALL SAINTS IN TONE EIGHT

To Thee, O Lord and Author of all creation, the universe offers as first-fruits of nature the divinity-bearing Martyrs. Wherefore, by their imploring, preserve Thou Thy Church in perfect safety, for the sake of the Theotokos, O most Merciful.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

v. In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Second Prokeimenon: God is wonderful in His Saints, the God of Israel.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:33-12:2)

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfection of our faith.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. The righteous cried and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles.

v. Many are the afflictions of the righteous; the Lord will deliver them out of them all.

THE GOSPEL

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (10:32-33, 37-38;
19:27-30)**

The Lord said to His disciples, “Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father Who is in heaven; but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father Who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me.” Then Peter said in reply, “Lo, we have left everything and followed Thee. What then shall we have?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the New World, when the Son of Man shall sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My Name’s sake, will receive a hundred fold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first.”

COMMUNION HYMN OF ALL SAINTS IN TONE EIGHT

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise befits the upright! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!