

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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January 25, 2015 – 33rd Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 8)

Today's Saints

St. Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople; New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia; Martyr Felicitas of Rome and Her Seven Sons; New Martyr Auxentius of Constantinople; St. Mares the Singer, of Syria; St. Publius the Ascetic, of Syria; St. Moses, Archbishop of Novgorod

Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

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

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15 & Hebrews 7:26-8:2 (See Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10 & John 10:9-16 (See Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Special Offerings

Sanctuary Lamp offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Laura Marie Royer (40th anniversary of repose). **St. John's Cross** offered by Mary Macinsky in memory of Joseph Macinsky (anniversary of birth). **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by the Suchowacki Family in memory of Maksim Szewczyk (anniversary of birth).

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: We are collecting the front covers of Christmas cards for recycling by the nuns of the Monastery of the Transfiguration. The deadline for bringing your card covers to church is February 1, 2015.

Carpathian Club: The Club's "Super Bowl Sunday" social is Sunday, February 1, 2015 at 3:00 PM. Please contact Stephen Wasilewski if you plan to attend.

"R" Club: The Bayonne Alpha "R" Club's annual Chinese New Year Supper is Saturday, January 31, 2015 after Great Vespers. The N.J. District's Youth Ice-Skating Event at the Korpi Ice Rink (located on the Bayonne High School campus) will be on Sunday, February 8, 2015, 2:00-3:15 PM. A "social" will follow in our church hall. Contact Marge Kovach at (732) 815-9765 or mjkovach@aol.com by February 2nd for price information and reservations.

Upcoming Services

January 29-30, 2015 (Three Hierarchs)

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

9:30 AM (Fri.) – Divine Liturgy

January 31-February 1, 2015

5:00 PM (Sat.) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sun.) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, January 25, 2015

Tone 8 / 33rd Sunday after Pentecost & Sunday of Zacchaeus

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RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION 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 ST. GREGORY THE THEOLOGIAN IN TONE ONE

The pastoral psalter of thy discourse in theology triumphed over the trumpets of orators and overcame it; for having sought the depth of the Spirit, there was also vouchsafed to thee excellence of speech, O Father Gregory. Wherefore, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

TROPARION OF THE NEW MARTYRS OF RUSSIA IN TONE FOUR

Today the Church of Russia forms a chorus of joy, praising her new martyrs and confessors; hierarchs and priests, royal passion-bearers, right-believing princes and princesses, venerable men and women, and all Orthodox Christians. Having laid down their life for faith in Christ during the days of godless persecution, they preserved the truth by the shedding of blood. By their protection, O long-suffering Lord, preserve our land in Orthodoxy till the end of the age.

- *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.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE EIGHT

By rising from the tomb, Thou has raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

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

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

Second Prokeimenon in Tone One: *My mouth shall speak wisdom, the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.*

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of Saint Paul to Timothy. (4:9-15)

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (7:26-8:2)

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no

need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son Who has been made perfect forever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one Who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

ALLELUIA IN TONE EIGHT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

v. Give ear, O my people, to my law; incline your ears to the word of my mouth!

THE GOSPEL

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (19:1-10)

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (10:9-16)

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear MY voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Announcements & Events (cont.)

Deanery Events: The Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors Appreciation Dinner is being held at 5:00 PM on Sunday, February 8, 2015 in the Church Hall at Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church, 35 Orange Avenue, Clifton, N.J. RSVP to Fr. Evanina at (973) 777-2906 or sevanina@verizon.net by February 1, 2015.