

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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March 29, 2015 – 5th Sunday of Lent / Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt (Tone 1)

Today's Saints

Hieromartyr Mark, Bishop of Arethusa, Martyr Cyril, Deacon of Heliopolis, and Companions; St. Eustathius the Confessor, Bishop of Bithynia; St. Eustace, Abbot of Luxeuil; Martyr Secundus of Asti; St. Diadochus, Bishop of Photiki (in Epirus); St. Hesychius the Sinaite, Abbot of St. Catherine's Monastery (Mount Sinai)

Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Cathryn Christensen, offered by Olga Santer

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 & Galatians 3:23-29 (See Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Gospel: Mark 10:32-45 & Luke 7:36-50 (See Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Announcements & Events

Lenten Vespers: Today's Lenten Vespers at 4:00 PM is at Church of the Holy Transfiguration, 35 Sickletown Rd., Pearl River, N.Y.

Parish Events: Blessing of Easter Baskets will be on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 4:00 PM in the church hall. A Paschal repast will be held in the Carpathian Club hall after Divine Liturgy on Easter Sunday—all parishioners and visitors are welcome! Graves at Bay View Cemetery in Jersey City shall be blessed on Saturday, April 18, 2015 at 10:00 AM (other cemeteries by appointment). Our annual "Spaghetti & Meatball" dinner is scheduled for Sunday, May 31, 2015 at 11:30 AM. Tickets are \$20 per person—see Stephen Wasilewski or Marge Kovach (ticket sales will begin after Pascha).

"R" Club: The Palm Sunday service will be a "Bridegroom" Matins at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 76 Whitehead Ave., South River, N.J.

Diocesan Events: Archbishop Michael's fifth anniversary of episcopate will be observed on Saturday, May 9, 2015. See flyer posted on the church bulletin board.

Upcoming Services

March 30-April 3, 2015 (Sixth Week of Lent)

9:30 AM (Wednesday) – Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts

6:00 PM (Friday) – Compline w. Canon to St. Lazarus

April 4-5, 2015 (Next Weekend)

9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

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

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, March 29, 2015

Tone 1 / Fifth Sunday of Great Lent

Commemoration of our Righteous Mother St. Mary of Egypt

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Companions;

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Monastery

*****Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great*****

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE ONE

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the
heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ,
glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

TROPARION OF ST. MARY OF EGYPT IN TONE EIGHT

Through thee, the divine likeness was securely preserved, O mother Mary; for thou didst
carry the cross and follow Christ. By example and precept thou didst teach us to ignore the
body, because it is perishable, and to attend to the concerns of the undying soul. Therefore,
doth thy soul rejoice with the angels.

- *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 ST. MARY OF EGYPT IN TONE THREE

Having been a sinful woman, thou becamest through repentance a bride of Christ. Having
attained the angelic life, thou didst defeat demons with the weapon of the Cross. Therefore, O
most glorious Mary, thou art a bride of the Kingdom.

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 just!

Second Prokeimenon in Tone Four: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (9:11-14)

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then
through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), He
entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but His own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and
bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the
blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your
conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (3:23-29)

Brethren, but before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which
would afterward be revealed. Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be
justified by faith. But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. For you are all sons of God
through faith in Jesus Christ. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you
are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according
to the promise.

ALLELUIA IN TONE ONE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.

*v. He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals merciful with David, His anointed, and
his seed forever.*

v. I waited patiently for the Lord; He attended to me and heard my supplication.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (10:32-45)

At that time, Jesus took His twelve Disciples, and began to tell them what was to happen to
Him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief
priests and the scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, and deliver Him to the Gentiles. And

they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit upon Him, and kill Him; and after three days He will rise.” And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Him, and said to Him, “Teacher, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire” And Jesus said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?” And they said to Him, “Grant us to sit, one at Thy right hand and one at Thy left, in Thy glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” And they said to Him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized. But to sit at My right hand or at My left is not Mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, “You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (7:36-50)

Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.” And Jesus answered and said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” So he said, “Teacher, say it.” “There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?” Simon answered and said, “I suppose the one whom he forgave more.” And He said to him, “You have judged rightly.” Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman anointed My feet with fragrant oil. Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.” Then He said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” Then He said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

- ***“In thee rejoices all creation” is sung instead of “It is truly meet”***

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!