

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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July 5, 2015 – 5th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 4)

Today's Saints

St. Athanasius of Mount Athos, Founder of the Great Lavra; Uncovering of the Relics of St. Sergius, Abbot of Radonezh; Martyr Anna of Rome; Martyr Cyrilla of Cyrene; Hieromartyr Lampadus of Hirenopolis; Hieromartyr Cyprian of Mount Athos

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Romans 10:1-10 & Galatians 5:22-6:2 (see Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1 & Luke 6:17-23 (see Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Today's Special Offerings

Seven-day Altar Vigils offered by Christopher Bygonaise for a safe pilgrimage.

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: The next meeting of the Parish Council is Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM. Reservations are now being taken for Fr. Sophrony's 25th Anniversary Luncheon on August 30, 2015 – contact Marge Kovach at (732) 815-9765 by August 15, 2015.

Carpatho-Rusyn Society: The Carpatho-Rusyn Society (N.J. Chapter) is sponsoring a free lecture, "Beauty is a Part of our Rusyn Heritage," at the Wayne Public Library, 461 Valley Rd., Wayne, N.J. on Saturday, July 11, 2015 at 1:30 PM. See flyer on the church bulletin board.

Carpathian Club: The club's next meeting is Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 8:00 PM.

Upcoming Services

July 11-12, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, July 05, 2015

Tone 4 / Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

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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.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. ATHANASIUS THE ATHONITE IN TONE THREE

The Angels' ranks were awed by thy life in the flesh, * how, though corporeal, and clad with earthly clay, * thou didst set forth with courage to invisible wars and wrestlings * and didst boldly smite the hordes * of the demons with mortal wounds. * Wherefore, Christ rewarded thee * with abundant gifts in return. * Entreat Him that our souls find salvation, * O most renowned Father Athanasius.

- *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 FOUR

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of Hell, and as Master, he has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
v. *Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!*

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (10:1-10)

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law of righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about righteousness which is the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down from above). For, "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (5:22-6:2)

Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us have no self-conceit, no provocation of one another, no envy of one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Look to yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. *Spread out, prosper, and reign; because of truth, meakness, and righteousness.*

v. *You have loved righteousness and hated iniquity.*

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. (6:17-23)

And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirit. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all. Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, for in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!