

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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September 13, 2015 – 15th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 6) Forefeast of the Universal Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today's Saints

Commemoration of the Founding of the Church of the Resurrection (Holy Sepulchre) in Jerusalem. Hieromartyr Cornelius the Centurion; Great-martyr Ketevan, Queen of Georgia

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Wilfred and Concetta Royer

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: John 3:13-17 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Today's Special Offerings

Seven-day Altar Vigils offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Andrew Wanko (anniversary of repose). **Triple Candelabra** offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Wilfred and Concetta Royer (anniversary of Wilfred's repose).

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: The Parish Council's next meeting is Wednesday, September 16th at 7:00 PM.

"R" Club: FOCA-N.J. District's Cocktail Party is Saturday, September 19th, 6:30-10:30 PM, at Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral Cultural Center, 201 Third St., Passaic, N.J. See the flyer on the bulletin board for details.

Carpathian Club: The club's annual picnic is Sunday, September 20th from 11:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Tickets are \$17 (advance purchase) and \$20 (at the door). See Stephen Wasilewski for information and tickets.

Upcoming Services

September 13-14, 2015 (Exaltation of Holy Cross)

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

9:30 AM (Monday) – Divine Liturgy

September 19-20, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, September 13, 2015
Tone 6 / Forefeast of and Sunday before Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Consecration of Resurrection Church (Holy Sepulchre) in Jerusalem

Hieromartyr Cornelius the Centurion, Great-martyr Ketevan, Queen of Georgia

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF FOREFEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE TWO

We offer thee in mediation the life-giving Cross which, of Thy goodness, Thou hast given unto us, the unworthy, O Lord. Save Thy hierarchs and Thy flock, and grant Thou peace through the Theotokos, O only Lover of mankind.

TROPARION OF CONSECRATION OF RESURRECTION CHURCH IN TONE
FOUR

Thou hast shown the earthly beauty of the holy tabernacle of Thy glory to be like unto the splendor of the heavenly firmament, O Lord. Strengthen it forever and ever, and accept our prayers which we unceasingly offer therein unto Thee, through the Theotokos, O Thou Who art the Life and Resurrection of all.

- *Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter & Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit*

KONTAKION OF CONSECRATION OF RESURRECTION CHURCH IN TONE
FOUR

The Church is shown to be * a many-lighted heaven * that doth shine a guiding light * upon all them that do believe; * wherein while standing, we cry aloud: * Do Thou Thyself now establish this house, O Lord.

- *Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE SIX

When Christ the God the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed the resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.

v. To thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

v. He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God in Whom I trust."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (3:13-17)

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but He who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent His Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him."

COMMUNION HYMN

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