

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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October 11, 2015 – 19th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 2) Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Today's Saints

Apostle Philip the Deacon, of the Seventy; St. Theophanes the Confessor and Hymnographer, Bishop of Nicaea; Martyrs Zenais and Philonilla of Tarsus; St. Nectarius, Archbishop of Constantinople; St. Ethelburga, Abbess of Barking; St. Kenneth of Wales; St. Placidia of Verona; St. Firminus, Bishop of Uzès; St. Sarmata of Egypt (disciple of St. Anthony the Great); Synaxis of the Holy Elders of Optina

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Theodore Benda, offered by the Benda Family

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 & Hebrews 13:7-16 (see Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Gospel: Luke 7:11-16 & John 17:1-13 (see Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Today's Special Offerings

Seven-day Altar Vigils offered by the Benda Family in memory of Theodore Benda (40th day of repose). **Sanctuary Lamp** and **St. John's Cross** offered by the Carpathian Club in memory of Theodore Benda (40th day of repose). **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by the Suchowacki Family in memory of Maksym Szewczyk (anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Our parish's Slavic Oktoberfest is Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 11:30 AM. Tickets are \$30 per person (advance purchase only). For tickets and information, contact Stephen Wasilewski at (201) 960-4352 or stephen12375@aol.com, or Marge Kovach at (732) 815-9765 or mjkovach@aol.com. Checks should be payable to "Ss. Peter and Paul R.O.G.C. Church." Parish Council meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

"R" Club: Our parish's "R" Club's annual flea market continues on Saturday, October 17th. The doors will open at 10:00 AM. The efforts of all volunteers and donors in this project will be greatly appreciated.

Area Event: St. Mary's Orthodox Catholic Church, 89 W. 29th Street, Bayonne, N.J., is having its annual "Card Party" and Pasta Dinner on Sunday, November 1, 2015. See Olga DeMay for more information.

Upcoming Services

October 17-18, 2015 (Next Weekend)

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

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, October 11, 2015
Tone 2 / Sunday of Holy Fathers of Seventh Ecumenical Council

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RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

- *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 TWO

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with thee, and the world, O My Savior, praises Thee forever.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE TWO

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
v. The Lord has chastened me sorely; but He has not given me over to death.

Prokeimenon in Tone Four: *Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever!*

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (11:31-12:9)

Brethren, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:7-16)

Brethren, remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, who blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore, Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

ALLELUIA IN TONE TWO

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee!

v. Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

v. The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (7:11-16)

Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain, and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying: "A great prophet has risen up among us,"; and, "God has visited His people."

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

COMMUNION HYMNS

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