

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

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Welcome to Ss. Peter and Paul's Church of Bayonne, N.J. Our church was founded in 1922 and is a parish of the Orthodox Church in America. We hope that you enjoyed your visit today and, if you are searching for a new spiritual home, we would love for you to become a member of our parish family. To our parishioners here today, thank you for your ongoing participation in our church's worship and ministry.

November 22, 2015 – 2nd Sunday of Advent (Tone 8)

Today's Saints

Apostles Philemon, Archippus, and Onesimus of the Seventy; St. Apphia (wife of Apostle Philemon), Equal-to-the-Apostles; St. Clement, Bishop of Ochrid, Enlightener of Bulgaria; Martyr Cecilia of Rome and Companions; St. Callistus II, Patriarch of Constantinople; Martyr Procopius the Reader, of Caesarea-in-Palestine; Martyr Maurus of Rome; Martyr Menignus the Tanner, of Parium; St. Aggabas of Syria; Martyr Michael, Prince of Tver; St. Christian, Bishop of Auxerre

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

See the Bulletin Insert for today's Bible readings and other Liturgy variables.

Today's Special Offerings

Sanctuary Lamp offered by Lauren, Nick, and Lindsay in honor of Stephen Wanko's birthday. **Triple Candelabra** and **Sacramental Wine and Bread** offered by the Benda Family in memory of Theodore Benda.

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Our Annual Parish Meeting is today after the Divine Liturgy—all parish members in “good-standing” are encouraged to attend the meeting. Confession during the Nativity Fast is an obligation of all parishioners. Confessions may be heard after any Vespers; those unable to attend a Vespers will need to contact Fr. Sophrony to make an appointment.

Local Events: St. Mary's Church, at 89 W. 29th Street, is having its annual “St. Nicholas Dinner” on Sunday, December 6th, at 12:00 PM. For information, see Olga DeMay.

Upcoming Services

November 28-29, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Sat.) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sun.) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, November 22, 2015
Tone 8 / 2nd Sunday of Advent & Afterfeast of the Entrance of the
Theotokos

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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 THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying: Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

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

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE EIGHT

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

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

KONTAKION OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasure-house of the glory of God, today enters the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

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

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

Prokeimenon in Tone Three: *My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.*

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:1-7)

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

ALLELUIA IN TONE EIGHT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

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

v. Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (12:16-21)

The Lord spoke this parable: “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” As He said this, Jesus called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

INSTEAD OF “IT IS TRULY MEET”

The angels, beholding the entrance of the all-immaculate one, were overtaken by surprise: how hath the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies?

Since thou art the living temple of God, O Theotokos, no impure hand shall touch thee, but let the lips of believers praise thee, and cry joyfully unto thee forevermore with the voice of the angel: “O undefiled Virgin, thou art more exalted than all creatures!”

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! I will receive the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!