

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.

April 24, 2016 – Palm Sunday: The Entrance of Our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

Today's Saints

Martyr Sabbas the General, of Rome and Companions; Martyrs Pasocrates and Valentine of Moesia; Martyr Eusebius of Nicomedia and Companions; St. Thomas "the Fool," of Syria; St. Elizabeth, Wonderworker of Constantinople; Ss. Iorest and Sabbas Brankovics the Confessor, Metropolitans of Ardeal; St. Joseph the Confessor, Bishop of Maramures; Martyr Alexander of Lyons and Companions; St. Mellitus, Archbishop of Canterbury; St. Honorius, Bishop of Brescia; St. Gregory, Bishop of Elvira; St. Egbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne; St. Authaire; St. Deodatus, Hermit of Blois

Today's Divine Services

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

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Today's Special Offerings

Sanctuary Lamp offered in memory of Rose Brelinisky (anniversary of birth); **St. John's Cross** offered by Elizabeth Zuber in memory of Michael Zuber; **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by the DeMay Family in memory of Eva DeMay (anniversary of repose); **Triple Candelabra** offered by Olga DeMay in memory of Kevin Koscs (anniversary of repose)

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Easter Baskets will be blessed on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 4:00 PM in the church hall. The Carpathian Club invites our parishioners and visitors to a repast in the club hall after Divine Liturgy on Easter Sunday.

Palm Sunday Vespers: Today's Palm Sunday Vespers is at Ss. Peter & Paul R.O. Cathedral, 201 Third Street, Passaic, N.J. at 4:00 PM.

Upcoming Services

April 8-12, 2015 (Holy Week & Easter Sunday)

7:00 PM (Wednesday) – Sacrament of Holy Unction (at St. Mary's)

9:00 AM (Thursday) – "Vespereal" Divine Liturgy

6:00 PM (Thursday) – Matins w. Reading of Twelve Passion Gospels

3:00 PM (Friday) – Vespers w. Placing of the *Epitaphios* in the Tomb

6:00 PM (Friday) – Matins w. Reading of the Lamentations

9:00 AM (Saturday) – "Vespereal" Divine Liturgy

11:30 PM (Saturday) – Midnight Office & Paschal Matins

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Paschal Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for Feast of Palm Sunday: Entrance of Our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

I am filled with joy, for the Lord will hear the voice of my supplication.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

The anguish of death encompassed me; the perils of hell beset me. (**Refrain**)

I found tribulation and anguish, and I called upon the Name of the Lord. (**Refrain**)

I will walk acceptably before the Lord in the land of the living. (**Refrain**)

Glory... Both now... Amen. (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

I believed, and therefore have I spoken: but I was deeply humiliated.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who didst sit upon the foal of a donkey, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

What shall I render unto the Lord, for all His benefits unto me? (**Refrain**)

I will take the cup of Salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord. (**Refrain**)

I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all His people. (**Refrain**)

Glory... Both now... Amen. O, only begotten Son and Word of God ...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

v. O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endures forever.

(Refrain: Troparion of Lazarus Saturday.)

v. Let the house of Israel now say that He is good: for His mercy endures forever.

(Refrain: Troparion of Lazarus Saturday.)

v. Let the house of Aaron now say that He is good: for His mercy endures forever.

(Refrain: Troparion of Lazarus Saturday.)

v. Let all that fear the Lord now say that He is good: for His mercy endures forever.

(Refrain: Troparion of Lazarus Saturday.)

Glory ... Both now ... Amen.

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THE ENTRANCE HYMN OF PALM SUNDAY

- **The Priest intones the Entrance Hymn:** Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord: the Lord is God and hath appeared unto us.
- *After the Little Entrance, sing these troparia in the following order:*

TROPARION OF LAZARUS SATURDAY IN TONE ONE

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God. Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! // Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord.

TROPARION OF PALM SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by thy Resurrection. Now we praise Thee and sing: Hosanna in the highest! // Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!

- *Do NOT sing the troparion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.*
- *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 PALM SUNDAY IN TONE SIX

Upborne upon the heavenly throne, and seated upon the earthly foal, O Christ our God, receive the praises of angels and the hymns of men, exclaiming before Thee: Blessed is He that cometh to restore Adam.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! *v. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.*

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Philippians. (4:4-9)

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, these do; and the God of peace will be with you.

ALLELUIA IN TONE ONE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. O, sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!

v. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (12:1-18)

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus who had died was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper;

Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at table with Him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, one of His Disciples (he who was to betray Jesus), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not because he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the moneybox he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of My burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have Me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that He was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord, the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His Disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Jesus when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Jesus was that they heard He had done this sign.

MEGALYNARION FOR PALM SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR

God the Lord hath appeared unto us; let us celebrate the Feast, and let us rejoice and magnify Christ. With palms and branches let us raise our voices unto Him with praise, saying: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord, our Savior.

COMMUNION HYMN FOR PALM SUNDAY IN TONE EIGHT

Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- *Post-Communion Hymn: Instead of “We have seen the true light”, sing the troparion of **Lazarus Saturday**.*

THE GREAT DISMISSAL

Priest: May He Who accepted to make the foal of a donkey His throne for our salvation, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate Mother; by the might of the Precious and Life-giving Cross; by the protection of the honorable Bodiless Powers of Heaven; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles Peter and Paul (the patrons of this church), and the other holy, glorious, and all-laudable apostles; of our father among the saints, John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople, whose Divine Liturgy we have now celebrated; of the holy, glorious and right-victorious Martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers; of the holy and righteous forebears of God, Joachim and Anne, and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loves mankind.