

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.

October 16, 2016 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 8)

Today's Saints

Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council; Martyr Longinus the Centurion; St. Gall, Enlightener of Switzerland; Martyrs Saturninus, Nereus, & Companions; Martyrs Martinian, Saturian, & Companions; Virgin-martyr Bolonia; St. Junian the Hermit; Martyr Eliphios of Toul; St. Balderic, Abbot of Mautfaucon; Martyr Baldwin, Archdeacon of Leon

Today's Divine Services

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Announcements & Events

Oktoberfest: Our parish's *Slavic Oktoberfest* – a buffet of Slavic and German foods with beer and wine – will take place next Sunday at 11:30 AM. Tickets are \$30 per person, advance purchase only. Checks should be payable to "Ss. Peter and Paul R.O.G.C. Church."

Parish Council: The Parish Council is meeting tomorrow at 7:00 PM.

"R" Club: Our parish's "R" Club will have its annual flea market on two consecutive Saturdays, November 5th and 12th. The doors will open at 10:00 AM. The efforts of all volunteers and donors in this project will be greatly appreciated. The New Jersey District's annual convention is taking place at Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, 109 Grand Street, Jersey City, N.J. on Saturday, November 5, 2016. Registration starts at 2:00 PM.

Upcoming Services

October 22-23, 2016 (Next Weekend)

9:30 AM (Saturday) – General Panichida

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

TONE 8 / SUNDAY OF HOLY FATHERS OF SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Martyr Longinus the Centurion (who stood at the Cross of the Lord); St. Gall, Enlightener of Switzerland; Martyrs Saturninus, Nereus, & Companions; Martyrs Martinian, Saturian, & Companions; Virgin-martyr Bolonia; St. Junian the Hermit; Martyr Eliphios of Toul; St. Balderic, Abbot of Mautfaucon; Martyr Baldwin, Archdeacon of Leon

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE EIGHT

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! / Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! // O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

TROPARION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Most glorious art Thou, O Christ our God! / Thou hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth! / Through them Thou hast guided us to the true faith! / O greatly Compassionate One, glory to Thee!

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

The Son who shone forth from the Father / was ineffably born, two-fold in nature, of a woman. / Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form, / But depict it piously and revere it faithfully. / Thus, keeping the True Faith, / The Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.

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

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.

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 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. (6:16-7:1)

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." Therefore Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

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 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. *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. (8:5-15)

The Lord spoke this parable: “A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold.” And when His Disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience.” As Jesus said this, He called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

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!*