

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 27, 2016 – 2nd Sunday of Advent (Tone 6)

Today's Saints

Great-martyr James the Persian; St. Palladius of Thessalonica; St. Romanus the Wonderworker; St. James, Bishop and Wonderworker of Rostov; St. Valerian, Bishop of Aquileia; St. John Angeloptes, Bishop of Ravenna; St. Maximus, Bishop of Riez; St. Seachnall, Bishop of Armagh (disciple of St. Patrick); St. Acharius, Bishop of Noyon; Martyrs Facundus and Primitivius of Leon; St. Bilhild of Mainz, Abbess

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Special Offerings

Altar Vigils offered by John & Helen Wanko in memory of Gregory Grudinoff. **Sanctuary Lamp** offered by Lauren, Nick, and Lindsay Petronko in honor of Stephen Wnako's birthday. **Triple Candelabra, St. Nicholas' Cross** and **St. John's Cross** offered by Valentina Benda in memory of Mary Ann Benda.

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

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

Announcements & Events

- Christmas is only four weeks away—please use your “Christmas Flowers” envelope, or offer a cash donation, for the flowers decorating the church for Christmas.
- Donations will continue being accepted today for the “R” Club’s project of “St. Nicholas Wish Lists” for married seminarian families.
- The annual St. Nicholas Dinner at St. Mary’s Church, 89 W. 29th St., is scheduled for Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 12:00 PM. For information, see Olga DeMay.
- The “R” Club’s annual St. Andrew-St. Nicholas Vespers will be at Holy Cross Russian Orthodox Church in Hackettstown, N.J. on Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4:00 PM.
- St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 818 Valley Rd., Clifton, N.J. invites you to a two-hour spiritual retreat, led by Fr. John Behr, Ph.D. of St. Vladimir’s Seminary, on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 9:30 AM. The topic is “Dying to Live.”
- 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

Upcoming Services

December 3-4, 2016 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Sat.) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sun.) – Divine Liturgy

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2016
TONE 6 / SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 ST. JAMES THE PERSIAN IN TONE FOUR

Thou astounded all, long-suffering James, by enduring horrible tortures with great patience. / As the evil assembly performed the slaughter, / thou uttered prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord. / Through thy sufferings thou received thy crown, / and came to the throne of the heavenly King, Christ God. / Entreat Him to save our souls!

- *Now sing the Troparion of Ss. Peter and 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 SIX

When Christ God the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed 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 Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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. Luke. (13:10-17)

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, “Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.” And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, “There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day.” The Lord then answered him and said, “Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath? And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

COMMUNION HYMN

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