



# Ss. PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## September 12, 2010

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Leavetaking of the Nativity of the  
Theotokos. Sunday Before the  
Elevation of the Cross.

- 9:10am – Reading of Hours
- 9:30am – Divine Liturgy  
Epistle: **2 Cor. 6:1-10**  
Gospel: **Matt. 25:14-30**
- Fellowship – Please come downstairs following Liturgy for Coffee Hour, provided by Walentyna & Mirosław Szestawiczy for the good health of mother Eugenia and Goddaughter and mom-to-be Magdalena. Thank you.

### Schedule of Services

Monday, September 13

6:00pm – Great Vespers with Litya

Tuesday, September 14 –

EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

7:00am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 18

6:00pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, September 19

9:10am – Reading of Hours

9:30am – Divine Liturgy

## On Exaltation of the Cross

*The honorable cross is brought out for veneration in the middle of Great Lent in order to inspire those who toil in fasting to patiently bear the yoke they have taken to the end. Why is this done in September? Is it accidental? But there are no accidents for the Providential Wisdom that arranges all things. This is why: [in Russia], at least, in September the harvest is taken from the field. And so that some of the Christians might not feel too satisfied and say: "Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry!" and so that others might not fall in spirit because of scarcity, the elevated cross is brought before all. It reminds the former that the support of well being is not possessions, but their bearing of the cross in a Christian, inner way, should God's goodness bring external plenitude; and it inspires the latter to possess their souls in patience, through the certainty that they will go from the cross directly to heaven. Therefore, may some endure, knowing, that they are travelling a smooth path to the heavenly kingdom; and may the others enjoy external comforts with fear, not sealing the entrance to heaven against themselves.*

**St. Theophan the Recluse**

## Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to Mrs. Olga DeMay and to all who celebrate their birthdays in the month of September. May God bless all of you with good health and happiness for Many, Many, Many Years! Mnogaya Leta!

## Intercessory Prayer

### THE LIVING:

Walter and Mary Milk, Stephen and Lillian Sokol, Benedict and Eva Benda, Theodore Rocca, Alexei, Nicholas, Frank, Michael and Elizabeth Zuber, Valentina Benda, Andrew Koch, Cindy Boswell, Olga DeMay, Helen Pirniak, Marianne Guagenti, George Silberman, George Hook, Peter Mazula, Helen Pawlush, Antonina Rotko, Matilda Skripak, Evelyn Morely, Anne Hueston, Cathryn Christensen, Walter Epps, David Smith

**May God grant you Many Years!**

### THE NEWLY DEPARTED:

Steven Petronko, Agnes Silberman, Julia Brelinsky, Helen Cotrone, June Bianchini

### THE DEPARTED:

Maryanne Benda, Anne Verona, Ann Fondak, Theodor Bacha, Margaret Dellabella, George Makara.

**Memory Eternal! Вечная Память!**

Welcome to our Parish  
We warmly welcome all families, friends and guests to our parish. We are glad to pray with you here today. Over the past eighty-six years, hundreds of people have called Ss. Peter and Paul their home. If this parish is the kind of a spiritual home you have been searching for, we would love to have you become a part of our family.



## Today's Memorial Offering

- **Sanctuary Lamp** – in memory of Andrew Wanko – Anniversary of Death – by John & Helen Wanko.



## Announcements

❖ Mark your calendars: We are pleased to announce that His Grace Bishop Michael will visit our parish on the Thanksgiving weekend of November 27 & 28. More details are coming up. Please save these dates and plan to attend on both days.

❖ Tuesday, September 14 is the feast of Exaltation of the Cross. You can participate in decoration of the Cross of the Lord with flowers by making your donation at the candle desk. Thank you for your support.

❖ We are planning to install new carpet in our Church. If you would like to support this project, please make your contribution at the candle desk. Thank you.

❖ On September 14, at 7:00pm, there will be an Open Forum in Ss. Peter and Paul Church, South River, NJ, to discuss the draft of the Strategic Plan for the OCA. This document is available at [www.oca.org](http://www.oca.org) or [www.nynjoca.org](http://www.nynjoca.org). All are welcome to attend and participate in this forum.

❖ Save the date: Carpathian Club's Picnic - September 19. For tickets see Robert Pierce or John Korello.

❖ Coffee Hour Sponsors are needed. Have it in memory or in honor of your loved ones. Please sign-up at the candle desk.

❖ Available at the candle desk are memorial candles, Altar bread and wine to be sponsored in prayerful intentions of your loved-ones.