



## Ss. PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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### December 12, 2010

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday of the Forefathers  
St. Spyridon the Wonderworker

- 9:10am – Hours, Private Confessions
- 9:30am – Divine Liturgy  
Epistle: Col. 3:4-11  
Gospel: Luke 14:16-24
- Church School
- Fellowship – Please come downstairs following the Liturgy for Coffee Hour, provided by Bayonne 'R' Club. Thank you.
- 'R' Club meeting

### Schedule of Services

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

6:00pm - Great Vespers & Confessions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

9:10am - Hours

9:30am - Divine Liturgy

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### Prospora Bread

What is A Proper Way  
to Commemorate Your Loved Ones

It is the custom in the Orthodox Church that small Prosporas are available to the faithful, who send them into the altar with a list of names for prayers for the Orthodox Christians, both living and departed before the Divine Liturgy has started.

When the priest receives the Prospora and the list, he prays for the people indicated and takes a small particle of bread for each name and places it on the Diskos, in the center of which is the cube of bread which will become the Body of Christ during the Divine Liturgy. The Prospora is then given back to the person who requested the prayers, and if you look closely at it, you should find that small particles had indeed been taken out.

The origins of this practice go back to the days when the faithful would bring the bread and wine to be used in the Liturgy.

The Prospora you receive back, which of course has not been consecrated into the Body of Christ, is part of the "Antidoron", like the bread the faithful receive at the end of the Liturgy.

"Antidoron" means "instead of the Gifts," and in past times only those who did not receive Communion would take it at the end of Liturgy. The Prospora you receive is also an "Antidoron" and it is appropriate to share it with the person or persons in whose name it was offered, especially if they are home bound or too ill to come to the church for the Eucharist.

### Intercessory Prayer

#### THE LIVING:

Benedict and Eva Benda, Valentina Benda, Cathryn Christensen, Olga DeMay, Marianne Guagenti, George Hook, Andrew Koch, Peter Mazula, Walter and Mary Milk, Helen Pawlush, Helen Pirniak, Antonina Rotko, Matilda Skripak, Stephen and Lillian Sokol, Elizabeth Zuber.

May God grant you Many Years!

#### THE NEWLY DEPARTED:

Steven Petronko, Agnes Silberman, Julia Brelinsky.

#### THE DEPARTED:

Helen Cotrone, June Bianchini, Maryanne Benda, Anne Verona, Ann Fondak, Theodor Bacha, Margaret Dellabella, George Makara.

### Welcome Visitors

We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy. It is our joy to have you with us today. If this is your first visit to our parish, we welcome you and invite you to return as often as you are able.

While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross, receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy and for fellowship in our Church Hall after the service.

### Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to Andrew Bacsik, who celebrates his 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday tomorrow. May God grant you good health and happiness for Many, Many Years! Mnogaya Leta!



### Today's Memorial Offering

- Church Wine – in honor of Andrew Bacsik's 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
- Church Bread – in honor of Andrew Bacsik's 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday.



### Announcements

❖ During this **Nativity Fast**, each member of our parish community is supposed to prayerfully prepare for the Feast of Nativity of Our Lord on December, 25<sup>th</sup> by having a heartfelt **private Confession** and partaking of the Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ – Holy Communion. This is the most perfect way to prepare and celebrate the Nativity of Christ. General Confession though, *is not and should not be a substitute for a private Confession*.

❖ **Wednesday, December 15, at 7:00pm** – His Grace Bishop Michael will lead a discussion on "**The True Meaning of Christmas**" in the Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church, 35 Orange Ave, Clifton NJ. As His Grace offers reflections and thoughts about the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, the meaning of this feast will be explored through scripture, liturgical services and hymns, as well as the various holy traditions of the Orthodox Faith. A question and answer period will follow the presentation. Light refreshments and fellowship will be offered in the parish hall.

❖ Our **Adult Enrichment Lecture on Wed. December 15 is CANCELLED** due to the presentation of His Grace Bishop Michael in Clifton that evening on "The True Meaning of Christmas". Everyone is encouraged to participate in that event.

### Как подготовиться к Рождеству Христову

Для того чтобы достойно встретить праздник Рождества Христова, в течении Поста обязательно надо очистить душу через таинство Покаяния – прийти на частную Исповедь и приступить ко Святому Причастию. **Ни в коем случае нельзя заменять частную исповедь общей!**