

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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August 30, 2015 – 13th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 4)

Today's Saints

Leavetaking of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist. Ss. Alexander, Paul the New, and John, Patriarchs of Constantinople; Translation of the Relics of St. Alexander Nevsky, Prince of Novgorod and Great Prince of Vladimir; St. Alexander, Abbot of Svir; Uncovering of the Relics of St. Daniel, Prince of Moscow; St. Christopher of Palestine; St. Phantinus of Calabria; Synaxis of Serbian Hierarchs

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Today's luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 669 Avenue C, Bayonne, N.J. starts at 11:30 AM.* Reminder: starting next Sunday, September 6, 2015, all morning services will begin at 9:30 AM. Welcome to His Eminence, Archbishop Michael, who is visiting our parish today!

"R" Club: FOCA-N.J. District ("R" Club) is having a Cocktail Party on Saturday, September 19th, 6:30-10:30 PM, at Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral Cultural Center, 201 Third St., Passaic, N.J. Call Daria at (973) 460-0243 or Ken at (551) 427-8069 by September 11th (tickets are \$25 per person). See the flyer on the bulletin board in the church vestibule.

Carpathian Club: The club's annual picnic is Sunday, September 20th from 11:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Tickets are \$17 (advance purchase) and \$20 (at the door). See Stephen Wasilewski for information and tickets.

Upcoming Services

September 5-6, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

** Important Notice: George J. Koch Funeral Home (at the corner of Avenue C and West 31st Street) has graciously offered the use of its parking lot today for those attending the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and/or the Luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Hall.*

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, August 30, 2015

Tone 4 / Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S BEHEADING IN TONE TWO

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with songs of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner. Thou wast shown indeed to be the most honorable of the prophets, for in the waters thou didst baptize Him Who had been proclaimed. After suffering with joy in behalf of the truth, thou didst proclaim even to those in Hades the God Who appeared in the flesh, Who takest away the sin of the world, and grants us the Great Mercy.

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

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE FOUR

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of Hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

- *Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages, Amen.*
- *The Clergy now sings "Steadfast Protectress" in Tone Six*

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (16:13-24)

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, and be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
v. Spread out, prosper, and reign; because of truth, meakness, and righteousness.
v. You have loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (21:33-42)

The Lord spoke this parable: “There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: ‘The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?’”

- *The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.*