

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.

March 8, 2020 – Sunday of Orthodoxy (Tone 5)

Today's Saints

St. Theophylactus, Bishop of Nicomedia; Apostle Hermas, of the Seventy; Hieromartyr Theodotus of Antioch; St. Pontus of Carthage; St. Provinus, Bishop of Como; St. Felix of Burgundy, Bishop of Dunwich and Enlightener of East Anglia; St. Julian the Confessor, Archbishop of Toledo; St. Humphrey, Bishop of Bishop of Therouanne; Ss. Lazarus and Athanasius of Murom

Today's Services

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

After Liturgy – Parastas in memory of Rt. Rev. Bishop John Legky, offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer

Today's Liturgy Variables

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

Today's Special Offerings

Sanctuary Lamp offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Concetta Royer (anniversary of birth). **St. John's Cross** offered by Fr. Sophrony Royer in memory of Rt. Rev. Bishop John Legky (15th anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

- Today's Orthodoxy Sunday Vespers is 5:00 PM at Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church, 285 French Hill Rd., Wayne, N.J. Next Sunday's Lenten Vespers is 4:00 PM at Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church, 76 Whitehead Ave., South River, N.J.
- Presanctified Liturgy this week is canceled due to furnace installation in church.
- Please see flyer on bulletin board in church vestibule about Archbishop Michael's tenth anniversary celebration on Saturday, May 9, 2020.
- Next meeting of the parish council is Sunday, March 15, 2020 after Divine Liturgy.
- St. Gregory Palamas Orthodox Church, 5 Church St., Glen Gardner, N.J. is having a Lenten Retreat on March 14th, 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM (following an Akathistos of Thanksgiving at 10:00 AM). Please RSVP to Nellie Eyeran at Nellie_eyerman@yahoo.com or 973-584-8476 by March 10th. Free-will offerings will be accepted.
- Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church, 76 Whitehead Ave., South River, N.J. is having a Lenten Retreat, featuring Archimandrite Sergius of St. Tikhon's Monastery, on March 14th at 11:30 AM (Divine Liturgy is 9:00, followed by Brunch at 10:30). This event is free.
- Summer 2020 programs at St. Andrew's Camp, our diocesan youth camp in Jewell, N.Y., have been scheduled. If interested, see www.standrewscamp.org or flyer on the church bulletin board.

Upcoming Services

March 13-15, 2020 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Friday) – Akathistos & General Panichida

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for March 1, 2020

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FIVE

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead // by His glorious Resurrection.

TROPARION FROM THE TRIODION IN TONE TWO

We venerate Thy most pure image, O Good One, / and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God. / Of Thine own will Thou wast pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh / to deliver Thy creatures from bondage to the enemy. / Therefore with thanksgiving we cry aloud to Thee: / Thou hast filled all with joy, O our Savior, / by coming to save the world.

- *Choir sings the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul in Tone Four*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

KONTAKION FROM TRIODION IN TONE EIGHT

No one could describe the Word of the Father; but when He took flesh from thee, O Theotokos, He accepted to be described, and restored the fallen image to its former state by uniting it to divine beauty. We confess and proclaim our salvation in words and images

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

Blessed are Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers / and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever!

v. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:24-26, 32-40)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say?

For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His name.

v. They called to the Lord and He answered them.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

ST. BASIL LITURGY MEGALYNARION

All of creation rejoices in thee, O Full of Grace: the assembly of angels and the human race.

O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child –our God before the ages. He made thy body into a throne, and thy womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in thee, O Full of Grace. Glory to thee!

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous, praise befits the upright! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!