

Saints Peter and Paul
Orthodox Catholic Church
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Today's Services - March 23, 2014
3rd Sunday of Lent (Tone 6)
Veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross

Today's Saints

Martyr Nikon of Sicily & 199 Disciples; Martyrs Philaretus the Senator, Lydia, Macedonius, Theoprepius & Companions; St. Basil of Mangazea (in Siberia); Martyrs Victorian, Frumentius & Companions

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) - Great Vespers
9:30 AM (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)
Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

March Special Donations - *deferred to this week's bulletin*

For March 9th: Anne Pacheco offered Seven-day Altar Vigils in memory of Mary Sisak, St. Nicholas Cross in memory of Richard Pacheco, and the Communion Wine/Bread in memory of Richard Pacheco and Mary Sisak.

Mary Macinsky offered the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of Katharyn Yendrey and St. John's Cross in memory of Mary Ann Yendrey (both for anniversaries of birth).

March 16th: John & Helen Wanko offered the Sanctuary Lamp in honor of Larissa Canova's birthday. Melanie Turkiewicz offered St. John's Cross in memory of Pelagia Szewczyk.

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: "Coffee Hour" after today's divine services - all are welcome! Lenten confessions may be heard after any Friday evening Akathistos or Saturday evening Great Vespers services. Confessions at other times are by appointment. *Deanery Lenten Vespers:* Today's Lenten Vespers at Christ the Savior Church, 365 Paramus Road, Paramus, N.J. at 4:00 PM. Next Sunday's Lenten Vespers will be at Assumption of the Holy Virgin Church, 35 Orange Avenue, Clifton, N.J. at 4:00 PM.

Upcoming Services

March 24-25, 2014

6:00 PM (Monday) - Vigil w. Lity
9:30 AM (Tuesday) - "Vesperal" Divine Liturgy

March 26, 2014

7:00 PM (Wednesday) - Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts (at St. Mary's)

March 28, 2014

6:00 PM (Friday) - Akathistos Hymn to the Divine Passion

March 29-30, 2014

9:30 AM (Saturday) - General Panichida
6:00 PM (Saturday) - Great Vespers
9:30 AM (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy

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 FOR THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE ONE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

- *Now sing the Troparion for Ss. Peter & Paul.*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

KONTAKION FOR THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE SEVEN

Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Eden; it has been mysteriously quenched by the wood of the Cross. The sting of death and the victory of Hell have been vanquished; for Thou, O my Savior, hast come and cried to those in Hell: "Enter again into Paradise!"

THE ANTI-TRISAGION HYMN

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection. (THRICE)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

And we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

THE 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 Hebrews. (4:14-5:6)

Brethren, since we have a High Priest, Who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One Who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by Him Who said to Him, "Thou art My Son, today I have begotten Thee"; as He says also in another place, "Thou art a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

ALLELUIA IN TONE EIGHT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Remember Thy congregation, which Thou hast purchased of old!

v. God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power."

ST. BASIL LITURGY MEGALYNARION

In thee rejoices, O full of grace, all creation: the angelic hosts, and the race of men, O hallowed Temple and noetic paradise, glory of Virgins, of whom God was incarnate and became a little child, even our God Who is before all the ages; for He made thy womb a

throne, and thy body He made more spacious than the heavens. In thee rejoices, O full of grace, all creation; and it glorifies thee.

COMMUNION HYMN

The light of Thy countenance is marked upon us, O Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!