

# Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

*(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)*

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## March 1, 2015 – 1st Sunday of Lent / Sunday of Orthodoxy (Tone 5)

### Today's Saints

Martyr Eudoxia of Heliopolis; Virgin-martyr Domnina of Syria; Martyrs Marcellus and Anthony of Pamphylia; Martyrs Nestor and Tribiminus of Pamphylia; Martyr Antonina of Nicaea; St. David, Bishop of Wales; St. Martyrius of Pskov

### Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

### Today's Liturgy Readings

*Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)*

*Gospel: John 1:43-51 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)*

### Announcements & Events

*Lenten Vespers:* Today's Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers will be celebrated at 5:00 PM at St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, 170 Lexington Ave., Passaic, N.J. Homilist: Most Reverend Archbishop Joseph of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America. The schedule of the N.J. Deanery (North)'s Lenten Vespers for the following four Sundays is posted on the church bulletin board.

*Carpatho-Rusyn Society:* The N.J. Chapter of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society is showing the documentary film "Changed by Thalerhof" at the Wayne Public Library, 461 Valley Road, Wayne, N.J. on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome. For information, see the flyer on the church bulletin board.

*Area Event:* St. Anthony's Antiochian Orthodox Church, 385 Ivy Lane, Bergenfield, N.J. is hosting a dinner and presentation on the Shroud of Turin on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. A free will donation of \$10 per person (free for minors) is suggested. See flyer on church bulletin board.

## Upcoming Services

### March 2-6, 2015 (Second Week of Lent)

9:30 AM (Wednesday) – Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts

6:00 PM (Friday) – Akathistos to the Divine Passion & General Parastas

### March 7-8, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

## Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, March 01, 2015

### Tone 5 / First Sunday of Great Lent (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

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**\*\*DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT\*\***

#### RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FIVE

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

#### TROPARION OF FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT IN TONE TWO

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

- *Now sing the Troparion of 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 FROM LENTEN 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 art 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 was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets; who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, and put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

#### ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*v. Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called upon 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."

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great continues as usual with the following variables.*

INSTEAD OF "IT IS TRULY MEET"

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 HYMNS

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