

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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August 2, 2015 – 9th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 8)

Today's Saints

Translation of the Relics of Ss. Stephen the Protomartyr, Nicodemus, Gamaliel, and Abibas from Jerusalem to Constantinople (AD 428); Hieromartyr Stephen, Pope of Rome, and Companions; Blessed Basil of Moscow, "Fool-for-Christ"

Today's Divine Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Today's Special Offerings

Seven-Day Altar Vigils offered by Reader Christopher Bygonaise for a safe pilgrimage. **St. John's Cross** offered by Mary Macinsky in memory of John Yendrey (anniversary of birth). **St. Nicholas' Cross** offered by the Wasilewski Family in memory of Mitrofan Wasilewski (25th anniversary of repose). **Triple Candelabra** offered by Victor, Reader Stephen, and Lisa Marie Wasilewski in memory of Mitrofan Wasilewski (25th anniversary of repose).

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Reservations are now being taken for Fr. Sophrony's 25th Anniversary Luncheon on August 30, 2015 -- contact Marge Kovach at (732) 815-9765 by August 15, 2015. Individual confessions will be heard after any Vespers during the month of August. Grapes (and fruits with edible skins) will be blessed at the end of Divine Liturgy on August 6th. The Parish Council is meeting on Wednesday, August 12th at 7:00 PM.

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

August 5-6, 2015 (Holy Transfiguration)

6:00 PM (Wednesday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:00 AM (Thursday) – Divine Liturgy

August 8-9, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables for Sunday, August 02, 2015

Tone 8 / Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE EIGHT

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF ST. STEPHEN THE ARCHDEACON IN TONE FOUR

The crown of the Kingdom hath adorned the brow of thy head * because of the contests that thou hast endured for Christ God, thou first of the martyred Saints; * for when thou hadst censured the Jews’ madness, thou sawest * Christ thy Savior standing at the right hand of the Father. * O Stephen, ever pray Him for us, that He would save our souls.

- *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.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE EIGHT

By rising from the tomb, Thou has raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!
v. In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (3:9-17)

Brethren, we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, God’s building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay or straw, each man’s work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him; for God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple.

ALLELUIA IN TONE EIGHT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to our Savior!
v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (14:22-34)

At that time, Jesus made the Disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He

was there alone, but the Disciples' boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. But when the Disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately He spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is Thee, bid me come to Thee on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out His hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly, Thou art the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!