

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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August 23, 2015 – 12th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 3)

Today's Saints

Leavetaking of Holy Dormition. Martyr Lupus (servant of Great-martyr Demetrius of Thessalonica); Hieromartyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons; St. Callinicus, Patriarch of Constantinople; Ss. Eutychius & Florentius of Nursia

Today's Divine Services

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

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)
Gospel: Matthew 19:16-26 (see Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Fr. Sophrony's 25th Anniversary of Holy Priesthood is being observed on August 30, 2015. Archbishop Michael will be greeted at 9:00 AM for Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. Luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 669 Avenue C, Bayonne, N.J., will start at 11:30 AM. Individual confessions shall be heard after any Vespers during the month of August.

"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

August 28-29, 2015 (Beheading of St. John the Baptist)

6:00 PM (Friday) – Great Vespers w. Lity
9:00 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

August 29-30, 2015 (Next Weekend)

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:00 AM (Sunday) – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, August 23, 2015

Tone 3 / Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Leavetaking of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Martyr Lupus, servant of the Great-martyr Demetrius; Hieromartyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons;
St. Callinicus, Patriarch of Constantinople; Ss. Eutychius and Florentius of Nursia

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE ONE

In giving birth, thou preservest thy virginity; and in falling-asleep thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos; thou wast translated to life, O Mother of Life, and by thine intercessions thou deliverest our souls from death.

TROPARION OF MARTYR LUPUS IN TONE FOUR

Thy holy martyr Lupus, O Lord, through his suffering has received an incorruptible crown from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through his intercessions, save our souls!

- *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 THREE

On this day, Thou risest from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day, Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

- *Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

KONTAKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE TWO

Truly, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, who is never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But being the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-Virgin womb did translate her to life.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE THREE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
v. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

In Tone Three: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoice in God my Savior!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (15:1-11)

Brethren, I would remind you in what terms I preached to you the Gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He rose on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. Then He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then He appeared to James, then to all the Apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. For I am the least of the Apostles, unfit to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God, which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

ALLELUIA IN TONE THREE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

v. Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

v. Arise, O Lord, into Thy resting place; Thou and the Ark of Thy sanctification!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (19:16-26)

At that time, a young man came up to Jesus, kneeling and saying, "Good Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?" And He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to Him, "Which?" And Jesus said, "You shall not kill, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not bear false witness, honor your father and mother, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to Him, "All these I have observed; what do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this, he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions. And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

- ***Instead of "It is Truly Meet," the choir sings:***

All generations bless thee, O thou only Theotokos.

In thee, O spotless Virgin, the laws of nature were suspended; for thy virginity was preserved in thy child-bearing, and Life is joined with death. Thou, O Theotokos, didst remain a Virgin after child-birth, and after death thou art still alive and dost ever deliver thy heritage.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! I will receive the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!