

## SS. PETER & PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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May 13, 2020/Feast of Mid-Pentecost

Dear Parishioners and Friends,  
Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

In our present time of crisis, we rely on instant digital communications, as developments occur constantly and it is needful to communicate speedily with you. I ask you again to keep in touch through the "Four Sources" mentioned on the following page. In addition to the materials to be found on the following pages, note the following:

- Holy Confession is possible – as directed by Archbishop Michael – but only by phone. Call to arrange a suitable time.
- Thanks to all of you for your continued prayers for one another and staying in contact with one another.
- Scrip cards you may obtain through contacting Pam Stone (908-672-2775).
- Please let Fr. James know of who is graduating this Spring.
- The Re-Opening of our church is dependent both upon civil and ecclesiastical authorities, and at least until June 4<sup>th</sup>, there is no change in our present status.
- For the liturgical services for Sundays and Holy Days, sign-up to be on our Parish E-Mail List. This you can do on our parish website. Appreciation to Diaconissa Patricia for preparing these services for home use.

I share with you a reflection of Patriarch Daniel of Romania:

*The state of pandemic can be understood as a test or verification of the spiritual state of people, especially of the intensity of their love towards God and fellow human beings. In the pandemic state, prayer is a spiritual source of peace and hope, while spiritual and material solidarity with those who are suffering is a source of courage and joy.*

*The state of pandemic calls us to transform suffering into hope and isolation, into a desire for more communion among people. Especially now when the world experiences a sad and difficult period due to the coronavirus, we need stronger faith, help to restore our health and to protect us from sickness.*

*In this sense, prayer to God, the Healer of our souls and bodies, Who is the source of healing, is meant also to strengthen us in faith, to multiply our love for God and our fellow human beings and to give us hope that we will pass through this trial with His help.*

*The Lord bless and protect!*  
*Fr. James*

## Offerings – May 10 & 17

Relic Candle: in memory of Ivanna; in memory of Michael, Justiana, Rosalia, Anastasia, Melania and Ivanna; in memory of Arshaluis & Filofteia; in memory of Mary.

Olive Oil: for the health of Stephanie (birthday); in memory of John, Marie, Paul, Michael, Evdokia & Stephan.

Wine: for the health of Vera, Daniel, Nina, Cristiana, Annie, Nicholas and Maria.

Flowers: in thanksgiving for protection of Holy Theotokos.

## Zoom Meetings

The Zoom meetings have been our regular way of communicating and sharing. Sundays at 4:00p.m. for Parish Members – a prayer, reflection, comments, sharing, question/answers. Wednesdays 7:00p.m. a study class on scripture and Saturdays at 4:00p.m. a 15 minute church school class. Join us!

## Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

May 14, 1965 Metropolitan Leonty

May 15, 1925 Maria Barna

May 15, 2005 Olga Shemansky

May 16, 1953 Michael Hobora

May 16, 1962 Theodore Janushenko

May 18, 1975 Wasil Kosticz

May 19, 1939 Gregory Halkovich

May 21, 1985 Julia Grigorieff

May 22, 1939 Ephraim Demianov

May 22, 1951 Joseph Fenuck

May 23, 1925 John Korolovich

May 23, 1954 Wasyl Mlinetz

May 23, 1962 Thomas Cimpko

May 24, 1941 Semeon Kozak

May 27, 1977 Julian Sudillo

May 27, 1988 Tatiana Shvidrik

May 28, 1970 Mary Szwhala

May 29, 1942 Elizabeth Bulat

May 29, 1953 Emil Wilhousky

May 30, 1939 Dominick Stokolovsky

May 30, 1949 Anna Kuchner

May 30, 1963 William Marchison

## Names Day Greetings

St. Constantine/May 21: Constantine Gorbatuk

St. Christian/May 24: Christian-Ethan Stepan-Fu

St. Theodosia/May 29: Tessie Nevitt

Many Blessed Years!

## Four Sources of Necessary & Timely information

- Parish E-Mail
- OCA Website: [www.oca.org](http://www.oca.org)
- Diocese Website: [www.nynjoca.org](http://www.nynjoca.org)
- Face Book – Friends of Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

## Financial Support for Your Parish

It is very important that we continue to regularly use our Sunday envelope and mail them in to the church address. You may also use the “donate feature” on our parish website – [www.ssppoc.org](http://www.ssppoc.org)

## Please make Known to Father James

If there is anyone in need of special prayers, or financial help or other necessity or concerns, call or e-mail Fr. James. Do not hesitate.

## Directives from Archbishop Michael in the governing of our parishes for Month of May

These up-dated guidelines were issued on May 8<sup>th</sup>. They were sent out to parishioners on the Parish E-Mail List and are posted on the diocesan website and Friends of Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church Face Book Page. The Parish Council Meeting of May 14<sup>th</sup>, examined the matter and making preparations for the future re-opening of our parish church.

## The On-Line Parish Calendar

Was up-dated on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to it for changes made.

## The May Month Cemetery Care Envelope

This annual request has been moved to the Fall. It is always possible anytime of the year to make an on-line offering to Cemetery Care, using our donate feature on our website.

**From:** List <list-bounces@ssppoc.org> on behalf of frjames@ssppoc.org  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2020 2:33 PM  
**To:** list@ssppoc.org; parishcouncil@ssppoc.org  
**Subject:** [SSPPOC List] Visitations - Ss. Peter & Paul/Manville  
**Attachments:** Untitled attachment 00004.txt

### **Christ is Risen! Indeed he is Risen!**

Ss. Peter & Paul Church in Manville is presently closed. In accordance with the directives of the Governor of New Jersey, it will remain closed at least until June 4<sup>th</sup>, as the Health Emergency was extended to this period of time.

We are creating the possibility for you to make a "restricted church visitation" in accordance with the following guidelines, that must be strictly observed.

- 1) The church proper and the church hall building are closed and no one may enter.
- 2) A visitation, made by appointment and limited to no more than 10 minutes.
- 3) Anyone who presently has COVID-19 and has not recovered, or presents symptoms of it, may not visit. Anyone who cares for someone diagnosed with, or presents symptoms of, COVID-19, likewise, may not visit.
- 4) You must have a mask on (even if you remain your car) and keep it on during the time of your visitation.
- 5) You must come only at your appointed time and take leave in order for the next person's appointment.
- 6) Park your car in front of the church doors, if another car is already present, you must go the parking lot and wait until that car has left.
- 7) All money exchanges must be placed in a sealed envelope, with exact change, cash or checks. No change will be given. This should be prepared before you come to the church. Have written on the envelope your name, amount and purpose for which the donation is made.
- 8) It is important that there be no "congregating," when you finished your visit, please leave without engaging others.
- 9) The person assisting you will be wearing a mask and gloves.
- 10) Anything you receive from the church vestibule will be handed to you in a plastic bag.

### The Ten Minutes Restricted Visitation

Most parishioners have not been at the church for the last two months. The restricted visitation gives an opportunity to see the church building, enter the vestibule to light a candle in the vestibule, bring your Sunday offering envelopes, or special donations for wine, oil, flowers, and food items for the local food pantry. You may wish to bring home, holy water, the Holy Fire, candles for home use, and secure a blessed oil swab from the grave of St. Herman of Alaska. Something is better than nothing. This "little" contact with your church, draws us to and reminds us of the One Who Abides in this consecrated edifice and as we leave again, after a very short visit, may Christ say to us "Go in peace and behold I am with you!"

### Type One Visitation – Remain in the Car

You pull up in your car at the appointed time in front of the church. Beep your horn. You stay in your car. A person will come to your car and help you with any exchange you desire to make.

### Type Two Visitation – Into the Vestibule

You pull up in your car at the appointed time in front of the church. Beep your horn. Someone will escort you into the vestibule (1 person or collectively a family unit – not exceeding 8 persons). In the vestibule you may touch nothing. Someone will direct and assist you. An Icon will be on a stand for veneration (by bowing – not kissing), and if you wish, you may light candles that someone has secured for you. You may bring into the vestibule your monetary or food donations and secure items you desire to bring home.

### Local Food Pantry

In these difficult time, the Manville Food Pantry is especially needful as there are those out of work and loss of income. Staple Food Items are greatly appreciated.

### Candle Offerings & Prices

Candles can be secured for either future burning at church services or to take home to burn in your Icon Corners for Reader Service at home. Prices: Large \$5 / Small \$3 / 7 Day \$5. Again, funds must be presented in a sealed envelope.

To Make An Appointment for Visitation - 908-685-1452 (you may leave a message) or [frjames@ssppoc.org](mailto:frjames@ssppoc.org)

All Visitations are by appointments only. Dates and times for visitations:

Saturday/May 16: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:20 pm. 3:40p.m.

Sunday/May 17: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:20p.m. 3:40p.m.

Thursday/May 21: 3:00p.m. 3:20p.m. 3:40p.m. 4:00p.m. 4:20p.m. 4:40p.m.

Saturday/May 23: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:20p.m. 3:40p.m.

Sunday/May 24: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:20p.m. 3:40p.m.

Ascension Thursday/May 28: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:40p.m.

Saturday/May 30: 1:00p.m. 1:20p.m. 1:40p.m. 2:00p.m. 2:20p.m. 2:40p.m. 3:00p.m. 3:20p.m. 3:40p.m.

Future Dates may be forth-coming and posted. Please advise in advance if you cannot keep your appointment.

You may make more than one visit and make more than one appointment.

If your appointment needs to be cancelled, you will be notified.

Questions or concerns, please address to Father James. Appointments are now being accepted.

The Lord bless!

Father James

**And unto us He has given Eternal Life, let us worship His Resurrection on the Third Day!**

# MAY SUNDAYS 24 & 31, 2020

**OFFERINGS:** relic candle \$5/ olive oil \$7/ wine \$15/ flowers \$25

RELIC CANDLE BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

RELIC CANDLE BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

OLIVE OIL BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

OLIVE OIL BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

WINE BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

WINE BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

FLOWERS BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

FLOWERS BY \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR OFFERINGS AND/OR CANDLES  
TO BE LIGHTED, MAIL BACK WITH CHECK TO CHURCH

# MAY SUNDAYS 24 & 31, 2020

## CANDLES TO BE LIGHTED IN CHURCH:

LARGE \$4 CANDLE: CHRIST ICON \_\_\_ THEOTOKOS ICON \_\_\_ SS. PETER & PAUL ICON \_\_\_

JOY OF ALL THAT SORROW ICON \_\_\_ FOR DEPARTED (CROSS) \_\_\_ PASCHA ICON \_\_\_

SMALL \$3 CANDLE: CHRIST ICON \_\_\_ THEOTOKOS ICON \_\_\_ SS. PETER & PAUL ICON \_\_\_

JOY OF ALL THAT SORROW ICON \_\_\_ FOR DEPARTED (CROSS) \_\_\_ PASCHA ICON \_\_\_

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