

32nd Sunday After Pentecost

January 15th -21st, 2024

January 16, 2024 Tuesday

6pm Vespers

January 17, 2024 Wednesday

St. Anthony the Great

9am Divine Liturgy

8pm OCF @ SU

January 18, 2024 Thursday

6:30pm Ladies Night

9pm Food Recovery

9pm Panera Pick Up

January 19, 2024 Friday

10am Outreach Street Food Ministry

11am Trip to the MOST

January 20, 2024 Saturday

5pm Great Vespers

5:45pm Choir Rehearsal

January 21, 2024 Sunday

8:15am Ridesharing

8:45am Holy Confessions

9am Choir Rehearsal

9:10 am 3rd & 6th Hour

9:30am Divine Liturgy

11:15am Agape Meal

12:30pm Parish Council Meeting



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The Weekly

St. Nena of Georgia



Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church

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Announcements



Welcome all visitors!

Please join us after the service for Coffee Hour. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Ambrose and others as we would love to meet you! We are delighted to have you here with us.

Please fill out your information at <https://www.sspeterandpaulsyracuse.com/new> as we would love to keep you connected with our events.

If you are not Orthodox Christian, please do not approach the chalice during the distribution of Holy Communion. Please, however, come up and kiss the cross at the end of the service and introduce yourself to Fr. Ambrose.

An agape meal rotation schedule is being put together. If you would like to join the rotation please see Jessica Gressel. Any help with the Coffee Hour / Agape Meals is welcomed!

At Coffee Hour please donate what you can in the donations box. \$2 per meal is suggested. We are in need of plates, cups, coffee, utensils, etc... Please donate!

To make a confession simply come early to any Divine Liturgy, stay after at any vespers service, or make an appointment.

Communion is for Orthodox Christians who have prepared by prayer, fasting from midnight on, reconciliation, and a recent confession. For the reception of communion it's also good to arrive on time to Divine Liturgy and not later than the reading of the Holy Gospel.

If you or someone is admitted into the hospital or needs emergency pastoral assistance, then please call Fr. Ambrose at 315-418-5738. Make sure to put Fr. Ambrose as one of your hospital contacts to ensure that he is easily able to come and visit.

Fr. Ambrose Wish List:

1) Sitting chairs for the library downstairs. Please see Georgia or Clare Flaherty for details.

2) \$120 for new belts for the Pierogi Machine.

Important Upcoming Services and Events



House Blessings have now begun!

Pick up a house blessing schedule to see when your house will be blessed. It's wonderful to have your house blessed every year!

Ice Skating Party TODAY!

Today after Church School we will head to Clinton Square for an ice skating party. Come and join us! \$4 per person including skate rental.

Starting of Church School TODAY

The second term of this year's church school will begin today, followed by ice skating at Clinton Square.

Senior Moment Lunch

The next Senior Moment Lunch will be on January 17th after Divine Liturgy. Potluck lunch.

The Blessing of the Lake and Theophany Cross Plunge

On January 28th, at 3pm we will bless Lake Oneida, have a Theophany Plunge, and Dinner.

2024 Stewardship

Ss. Peter and Paul parish is supported entirely through the generosity of its members, friends, and benefactors.

If you are active in your support of Ss. Peter and Paul, thank you! If you are new to Ss. Peter and Paul and/or regularly attend, please consider making a regular offering (weekly or monthly) in support of our parish and its projects.

By contributing to the General Fund in 2024 you are supporting the mission and activities in the parish, which include divine services, outreach, evangelism, church school, parish social activities, community efforts, and many more. There are so many things that are happening at Ss. Peter and Paul and contributing to the General Fund helps to advance this mission.

The best way to give is by check (or cash) placed in an envelope in the offering baskets.. We also have an online giving system (Breeze) as a way to offer your tithes and offerings.

The Impactful Ministries of Ss. Peter and Paul

- Free Family Dinner for the entire community. 4th Monday of every month.
- Food Recovery Ministry: during the school semester a team of us recover up to 500 lbs of cooked food every week.
- Elementary School Outreach - we then take the recovered food and give it to families at local elementary schools.
- Church School Ministry - every Sunday, after Liturgy, during the school year, we have Church School lessons for grades pre-k through 12th.
- Hospitality Team Ministry
- Choral Ministry
- Senior Moment Lunches
- Altar Server Ministry
- Synaxis Meetings during Fasting Periods..
- Foundation Classes
- Ladies Nights
- Men's Fellowship Dinners and Outings
- Family Potluck Events
- Educational Field Trips for Children
- plus much more....

Please support the present and future ministry of Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church!

What's My Weekly Tithe?

Weekly Income	10%	5%	4%	2%
\$200	\$20	\$10	\$8	\$4
\$500	\$50	\$25	\$20	\$10
\$750	\$75	\$37	\$30	\$15
\$1,000	\$100	\$50	\$40	\$20
\$1,500	\$150	\$75	\$60	\$30
\$2,000	\$200	\$100	\$80	\$40

The Life of St. Nena of Georgia

The virgin Nino of Cappadocia was a relative of Great-martyr George and the only daughter of a widely respected and honorable couple. Her father was a Roman army chief by the name of Zabulon, and her mother, Sosana, was the sister of Patriarch Juvenal of Jerusalem. When Nino reached the age of twelve, her parents sold all their possessions and moved to Jerusalem. Soon after, Nino's father was tonsured a monk. He bid farewell to his family and went to labor in the wilderness of the Jordan.

After Sosana had been separated from her husband, Patriarch Juvenal ordained her a deaconess. She left her daughter Nino in the care of an old woman, Sara Niaphor, who raised her in the Christian Faith and related to her the stories of Christ's life and His suffering on earth. It was from Sara that Nino learned how Christ's Robe had arrived in Georgia, a country of pagans.

Soon Nino began to pray fervently to the Theotokos, asking for her blessing to travel to Georgia and be made worthy to venerate the Sacred Robe that she had woven for her beloved Son. The Most Holy Virgin heard her prayers and appeared to Nino in a dream, saying, "Go to the country that was assigned to me by lot and preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will send down His grace upon you and I will be your protector." But the blessed Nino was overwhelmed at the thought of such a great responsibility and answered, "How can I, a fragile woman, perform such a momentous task, and how can I believe that this vision is real?" In response, the Most Holy Theotokos presented her with a cross of grapevines and proclaimed, "Receive this cross as a shield against visible and invisible enemies!"

When she awoke, Nino was holding the cross in her hands. She dampened it with tears of rejoicing and tied it securely with strands of her own hair. (According to another source, the Theotokos bound the grapevine cross with strands of her own hair.)

Nino related the vision to her uncle, Patriarch Juvenal, and revealed to him her desire to preach the Gospel in Georgia. Juvenal led her in front of the Royal Doors, laid his hands on her, and prayed, "O Lord, God of Eternity, I beseech Thee on behalf of my orphaned niece: Grant that, according to Thy will, she may go to preach and proclaim Thy Holy Resurrection. O Christ God, be Thou to her a guide, a refuge, and a spiritual father. And as Thou didst enlighten the Apostles and all those who feared Thy name, do Thou also enlighten her with the wisdom to proclaim Thy glad tidings..."

Continue reading her life here: Watch a video of her life here:




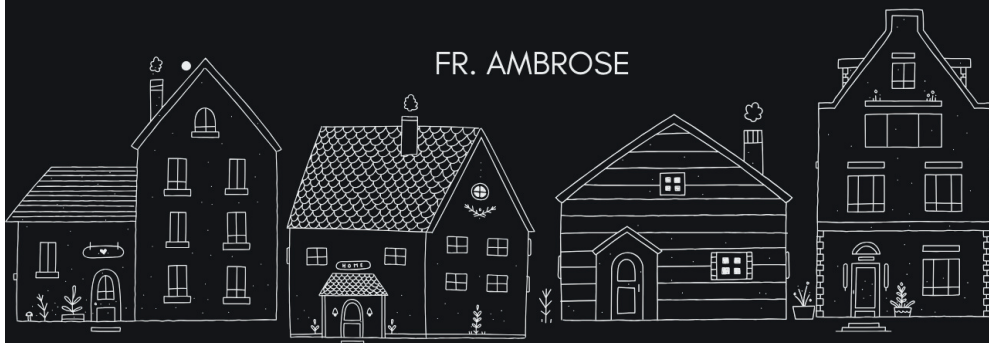


HOUSE *Blessings* 2024

I HAVE ATTEMPTED TO SCHEDULE ALMOST EVERYONE FOR A HOUSE BLESSING THIS YEAR. THE SCHEDULES ARE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE TAKE ONE. IF YOU DON'T SEE YOUR NAME, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

I LOOK FORWARD TO COMING TO YOUR HOMES THIS YEAR!

FR. AMBROSE



BLESSING OF LAKE ONEIDA

& THEOPHANY CROSS PLUNGE

& DINNER

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- SUNDAY
 - JANUARY 28TH
 - @ ST. ANDREW'S CAMP
 - STARTS @ 3PM
DINNER TO FOLLOW
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