

WEATHER

AREA FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Cloudy, rain likely	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
76/58	74/54	63/34	49/31	52/36

Se winds 5 to 10 knots; becoming South 15 to 20 knots in the afternoon. Waves 1 foot or less; then around 2 feet in the afternoon. Patchy fog. Visibility 1 to 3 nautical miles.

MARINE FORECAST

COMFORT INDICATORS

Sunburn Index: 8
Air Quality: Good
Heat Index: 8 a.m. 50°
 noon 61°
 4 p.m. 67°

Garden Forecast: Mostly cloudy in the morning; then becoming mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. South winds 5 to 10 mph.

TIDES

	HIGH TIDES		LOW TIDES	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
At Sandy Hook				
Today	7:19	7:44	1:17	1:36
Tomorrow	7:58	8:21	2:02	2:16
Keyport at Raritan Bay				
Today	7:15	7:40	1:23	1:42
Tomorrow	7:54	8:17	2:08	2:22

SUN AND MOON

Full	Last	New	First
Apr 15	Apr 22	Apr 29	May 6
Sunset today..... 7:34 p.m.	Sunrise tomorrow..... 6:20 a.m.	Moonrise today..... 6:09 p.m.	Moonset today..... 5:20 a.m.

ALMANAC

New Brunswick Readings
 Values are for 24 hours ending 8 a.m. yesterday.

Information provided by Rutgers Meteorology Department, Cook College.

Temperatures:
 High..... 67
 Low..... 46
 Average..... 57
 Normal High..... 61
 Normal low..... 43
 Normal average..... 49

Precipitation:
 Yesterday..... 0.00
 Month-to-date..... 0.90
 Year-to-date..... 13.46
 Normal year-to-date.....

Records:
 High temp..... 90 (1977)
 Low temp..... 27 (1976)

High temp. today..... 86 (1977)
 Low temp. today..... 26 (1940)

Degree Days:
 Heating degree days..... 8
 Month-to-date..... 193
 Season-to-date..... 5200
 Normal season-to-date.....

LOTTERIES

SATURDAY, APRIL 13	FRIDAY, APRIL 11
NEW JERSEY	NEW JERSEY
Midday Pick-3: 193 Straight: \$317 Box: \$52.50 Pair: \$31.50	Midday Pick-3: 312 Straight: \$199.50 Box: \$33; Pair: \$19.50
Midday Pick-4: 1334 Straight: \$2,137.50 Box: \$178	Midday Pick-4: 7057 Straight: \$3,524; Box: \$293.50
Evening Pick-3: 191 Straight: \$270.50 Box: \$90 Pair: \$27	Evening Pick-3: 320 Straight: \$147; Box: \$24.50 Pair: \$14.50
Evening Pick-4: 2530 Straight: \$2,318.50 Box: \$96.50	Evening Pick-4: 2794 Straight: \$2,440; Box: \$101.50
Jersey Cash 5: 2, 5, 12, 15, 20 5 of 5 pays \$156,094 4 of 5 pays \$341 3 of 5 pays \$91	Jersey Cash 5: 21, 31, 35, 36, 38; 5 of 5 pays \$0; 4 of 5 pays \$553; 3 of 5 pays \$13
NEW YORK	NEW YORK
Midday Daily: 293 Lucky Sum: 14	Midday Daily: 502 Lucky Sum: 7
Midday WinFour: 1827 Lucky Sum: 18	Midday WinFour: 9137 Lucky Sum: 20
Evening Daily: 009 Lucky Sum: 9	Evening Daily: 369 Lucky Sum: 18
Evening WinFour: 9410 Lucky Sum: 14	Evening WinFour: 5418 Lucky Sum: 18
Lotto: Late drawing	Take-5: 6, 21, 30, 31, 38
Take-5: Late drawing	Pick 10: 3, 4, 5, 14, 19, 25, 29, 31, 36, 38, 40, 41, 44, 59, 62, 65, 67, 68, 74, 78
Pick 10: Late drawing	PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA	Cash 5: 6, 13, 25, 37, 42
Cash 5: 3, 20, 22, 23, 26	Midday Daily: 716
Midday Daily: 601	Midday Big 4: 2554
Midday Big 4: 9011	Midday Quinto: 69092
Midday Quinto: 09051	Evening Daily: 008
Evening Daily: 601	Evening Big 4: 3441
Evening Big 4: 8567	Evening Quinto: 32721
Evening Quinto: 71911	Treasure Hunt: 3, 10, 18, 21, 27
Treasure Hunt: 6, 8, 9, 14, 22	MULTISTATE
MULTISTATE	Mega Millions: 3, 42, 44, 47, 57
Powerball: Late drawing	Mega Ball: 8

MITES

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“We had to go under the protection of the pope so we wouldn’t be destroyed and wiped off the map,” George said.

Yet, tucked away in the mountains, the Slavonic people had continued with their Eastern Orthodox rites and customs. They still called themselves Greek Catholics, however, when they arrived in the United States and that didn’t sit well with the Italian and Irish Catholics here who noticed the newcomers put icons in their churches, used leavened bread at services, and allowed their priests to marry.

Patriarch Benjamin I of Constantinople accepted the Slavs back into Orthodoxy. So it has been ever since.

“Our people continued with the customs that had been handed down to them from the Greeks in the 800s,” the Rev. George said, “when Saints Cyril and Methodius converted our people.”

Some parishioners are still brought to tears when they remember the sacrifices their ancestors made to create Saints Peter and Paul. Anna Hollis, 88, of Rockaway Township, has been a member for all 86 years of the church’s existence. Her father, Nicholas Mitrovka, was a founder.

“There wasn’t much money. My father didn’t have any property. He worked at the mines up



The Rev. William George performs a presanctified liturgy at Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Christian Church. KAREN FUCITO/SPECIAL TO THE DAILY RECORD

here in Mine Hill,” Hollis recalled. “He borrowed money, and the men started to build a church in 1926. There was a fire. It burned. The church finally was finished in 1928. It was hard for them, but they were dedicated people.”

At long last, the immigrants were Orthodox in name and practice. At long last, they had their own church, too, and no one was going to take it from them.

“The church meant everything,” said Hollis, choking up. “It still means an awful lot.”

Parishioner Rosemary Griff, of Rockaway Township, said her sister was baptized at Saints Peter and Paul when it was still Catholic.

“I was the first one to be baptized after it turned Orthodox in 1938,” she said.

According to “Rockaway Borough: A History,” the Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Christian Church had 500 members in 1975. Today, George said, there are 77.

Nationally, the American Carpatho-Russian Diocese has 20,000 adherents, according to the Hartford Institute for Religion Research. It belongs to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, which has 440,000 adherents in this country.

Part of the challenge ahead for the new priest of Saints Peter and Paul is expanding a congregation that is ethnically rooted in the midst of an American population that largely doesn’t understand the Eastern Orthodox Christian Church.

“If I’m in my black cassock and buying groceries or running an errand, I tell people I’m Orthodox,” George said. “People ask, Are you Jewish? So I explain and get in a conversation. A lot of times, I say, ‘It’s sort of like Roman Catholicism.’ But people don’t get the full picture. They don’t experience the beauty of our ceremonies.”

Orthodox services, designed to involve all the senses, including singing and incense, and the ico-

nography on the walls depicts scenes from biblical stories and saints in such detail it feels as if they’re standing in the church in the flesh.

An important part of growing the church, George added, is separating the parish’s little “t” traditions from its big “T” traditions, an idea passed down by his predecessor, the Rev. Michael Chendornain.

“Little ‘t’ traditions are things associated with an ethnicity. We make pierogies and nut rolls,” said the Rev. George, who earned a bachelor’s degree in nutrition and dietetics at Montclair State University before entering Christ the Saviour Seminary in Johnstown, Pa. “We also love having our Easter divine liturgy in the morning instead of at night. These little ‘t’ traditions are wonderful. They bind the people together.”

But the big “T” traditions, the ones to emphasize to the public at large, are the spiritual core of Orthodox Christianity and what George fell in love with at an early age.

“I have found joy and beauty in the theology the Orthodox church has preserved,” he said. “It helped me understand who God is, who Jesus Christ is, and who the Holy Spirit is on a level that made them personable and attainable. There wasn’t a wall between me and God. I could have a personal relationship with him and grow in his love.”

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Today in History

Today is Palm Sunday, April 13, the 103rd day of 2014. There are 262 days left in the year.

1613: Pocahontas, daughter of Chief Powhatan, was captured by English Capt. Samuel Argall in the Virginia Colony and held in exchange for English prisoners and stolen weapons. (During a yearlong captivity, she converted to Christianity and ultimately opted to stay with the English.)

1943: President Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated the Jefferson Memorial on the 200th anniversary of the third U.S. president’s birth. Radio Berlin announced the discovery of thousands of graves of mass-sacred Polish officers in Russia’s Katyn Forest.

1964: Sidney Poitier became the first black actor in a leading role to win an Academy Award for his performance in “Lilies of the Field.”

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DREW

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In the 2012-2013 academic year, she said, there were almost 820,000. Undergrads comprised the highest number – 340,000, and their ranks are growing by 10 percent, year to year. By way of contrast, the number of graduate students coming to these shores are increasing by 3.6 percent each year.

New Jersey ranks 15th among the states in the number of international students who studied here last year—15,634, according to Open Doors, a report on international educational exchanges. Those students spent \$462 million in the Garden State.

Schools, of course, are positioning themselves to accommodate the influx. Rutgers University, whose New Brunswick campus accommodated some 3,800 international students last year, created its Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs in 2011 to pour resources into the growing market.

For liberal arts schools such as Drew, though, the student infusion is critical. The number of applicants and en-

rollees at Drew has dropped 28 percent from the 2009-2010 school year to the 2012-2013 school year, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. Last year, there were 3,872 applicants and 363 enrollees.

Tuition at Drew now costs \$42,936 per year, according to a spokesperson, and 97 percent of students receive some sort of financial aid.

According to an article in The Acorn, the Drew student newspaper, the INTO innovation could generate a much-needed \$20 million a year for the university while allowing it to stay true to its roots in the liberal arts.

“We’ve been relying on our traditional core areas — the liberal arts — to let people know who we are,” Criares said, “and those areas haven’t grown aggressively.”

Not with domestic students, anyway. But with international students, it’s a whole other story.

“Liberal arts is one of the main reasons why students are coming from around the world,” Blumenthal explained. “It’s very hard to get a liberal arts education in most other countries. It’s a uniquely American phenomenon. A cross-disciplinary approach to learning, critical thinking skills

— these are not the ways many countries teach their undergraduates. They use much more rote learning and there’s much more rigid decision-making.”

For example, freshmen abroad usually must choose a subject in which to specialize before their education begins, she said. A liberal arts education, though, gives students time to survey a range of studies before they choose.

According to Blumenthal, one way or another, students who come to study in the United States tend to be well funded, too.

Chinese students, whose educations are funded by their parents, are driving the increase in international undergraduate students, she said. China’s one-child policy and economic growth are fueling the trend.

“The parents of Chinese undergraduates are the growing middle class,” she said. “They have only one child and can afford to send them anywhere in the world. They are investing a lot of money in that child to ensure his or her future.”

The vast majority of Chinese parents turn to the United States for education, Blumenthal said, because there aren’t enough world-class universities in China to absorb all the Chinese high school graduates who want a world-class education. In the past two years, the United States also has seen a surge in undergraduates from Saudi Arabia and Brazil, whose governments are offering them scholarships to

study in the United States and around the world.

“They are countries with development challenges and they want to leapfrog ahead,” Blumenthal said. “Particularly in science, technology and engineering, they know they need to really dramatically increase their talent and research skills. In the case of Brazil, more than 100,000 young Brazilians are going to be studying abroad for a year in science and technology fields and many of those come to the United States.”

A college such as Drew can be a popular choice, she added, because its suburban atmosphere makes parents feel their children will be safer, and its smallness makes them feel their children will get more attention.

Companies such as INTO that provide educational and cultural bridges, or pathway programs, from a student’s country of origin to university life abroad increase the comfort levels of both parents and universities, Blumenthal explained. “The programs make it easier for U.S. colleges and universities to identify students who are definitely going to be up to speed in terms of their English skills when they’re entering college,” she said.

Students at Drew who need to attend a so-called pathway program before the fall semester begins will arrive as early as mid-summer to take preliminary classes.

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