

Venerable Hilarion the Great

Saint Hilarion the Great was born in the year 291 in the Palestinian village of Tabatha. He was sent to Alexandria to study. There he became acquainted with Christianity and was baptized. After hearing an account of the angelic life of Saint Anthony the Great (January 17), Hilarion went to meet him, desiring to study with him and learn what is pleasing to God. Hilarion soon returned to his native land to find that his parents had died. After distributing his family's inheritance to the poor, Hilarion set out into the desert surrounding the city of Maium. In the desert the monk struggled intensely with impure thoughts, vexations of the mind and the burning passions of the flesh, but he defeated them with heavy labor, fasting and fervent prayer. The devil sought to frighten the saint with phantoms and apparitions. The monk perceived that it was the demons causing these terrors in order to drive him away from the wilderness. He overcame his fear with the help of fervent prayer. Once, robbers fell upon Saint Hilarion, and he persuaded them to forsake their life of crime through the power of his words. About seven years before his death (+ 371-372) Saint Hilarion moved back to Cyprus, where the ascetic lived in a solitary place until the Lord summoned him to Himself

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Sunday, October 21st, 2018

Venerable Hilarion the Great; Venerable Visarion, Sarai, and Sophronia

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 21st, 2018

Ven. Hilarion the Great

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Readings

Epistle

Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

Tone 4 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Tone 8 Troparion (for Venerable Hilarion)

By a flood of tears thou didst make the desert fertile, and thy longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance. By the radiance of miracles thou didst illumine the whole universe. Our Father Hilarion, pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Tone 4 Kontakion (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Tone 3 Kontakion (Venerable Hilarion)

Today we gather to sing hymns in thy honor, bright star causing the grace of God to shine in our hearts. Thou wast a light to those in darkness, lifting up to heaven those who cry out: "Rejoice, Hilarion, the pride of hermits!"



This Week at St. Herman's

Sunday, October 21st - St. Hilarion the Great

- 9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy
- Children's and Teenager's class after Liturgy
- Coffee Hour in the parish hall
- Myrrhbearers meeting after coffee hour

Monday, October 22nd - St. Abercius equal to the Apostles

- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers for St. James

Wednesday, October 24th - Martyr Arethus

- 6:45 AM - Coffee and Books

Thursday, October 25th - Martyr's Marcian and Martyrius

- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers for Great Martyr Demetrios

Saturday, October 27th - Martyr Nestor

- 6:30 PM - Jesus Prayer
- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers