

**Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:****For the memory of:**

**Peter** Taran, offered by the Dawson family.

**Readings:**

**Galatians 2:16-20** (*21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*)

**Luke 16:19-31** (*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke*)

**BRETHREN**, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

**The Lord said**, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

**Saturday service: Vespers** – 6:30 PM**Sunday service:**

**Hours** - 9:40 AM

**Divine Liturgy** – 10:00 AM

(**Private Confession** – After Vespers by appointment.)

(**General Confession** – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month)

(**Pannikhidas** – after Divine Liturgy 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month)

**Church School**

2nd through 8th grades – 9:30 AM (No Church School on the first Sunday of each month.)

Preschool through 1st grades meet immediately after communion.

**Coffee hour** - after Liturgy

**We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us after the Liturgy, downstairs, for Coffee hour.**

**Announcements:**

- **The Sisterhood is sponsoring a Gourmet Popcorn and Holiday Treats fundraiser.** Fifty percent of every purchase goes directly back to the Sisterhood! Please be generous with your purchases and enjoy some delicious popcorn at the same time. See Tammy Zimmerman for a brochure.
- **The Annual Anniversary Dinner will be held in two weeks, November 4<sup>th</sup>.** Space is limited! Fr. Matthew sent out an e-mail with details and reservation forms.
- **The next meeting of the parish council** will be next Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> after coffee hour.

**Special Announcements:**

- **Any Announcements or prayer requests for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to:** Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org
- Upcoming bulletins can be sponsored; this can be done with the signup sheet at the candle stand.

## 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. During prayer Saint Hilarion heard children crying, women wailing, the roaring of lions and other wild beasts. 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.

Soon all of Palestine learned about the holy ascetic. The Lord granted to Saint Hilarion the power to cast out unclean spirits. With this gift of grace, he loosed the bonds of many of the afflicted. The sick came for healing, and the monk cured them free of charge, saying that the grace of God is not for sale (MT 10:8).

Such was the grace that he received from God that he could tell by the smell of someone's body or clothing which passion afflicted his soul. They came to Saint Hilarion wanting to save their soul under his guidance. With the blessing of Saint Hilarion, monasteries began to spring up throughout Palestine. Going from one monastery to another, he instituted a strict ascetic manner of life.

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.

*Today we gather to sing hymns in your honor,  
bright star causing the grace of God to shine in our hearts.*

*You were a light to those in darkness,  
lifting up to heaven those who cry out:  
"Rejoice, Hilarion, the pride of hermits!"*

Kontakion -Tone 3 (Venerable Hilarion the Great)

Sunday Bulletin

## Church of the Mother of God

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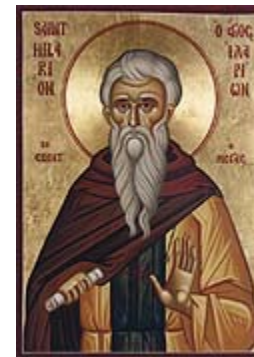
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**Glory to  
Jesus  
Christ**

**Glory  
Forever**

*(Venerable Hilarion the Great)*

*By a flood of tears, you made the desert fertile,  
and your longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance.  
By the radiance of miracles you illumined the whole universe!  
Our Father Hilarion pray to Christ God to save our souls!*

Troparion – Tone 8

### **On this day the Church remembers:**

Ven. Hilarion the Great (371-372) • Translation of the Relics of St. Hilarion, Bishop of Meglin in Bulgaria (1206) • Ven. Hilarion, Schema-monk, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th-14th c.) • Ven. Hilarion, Abbot, of Pskovozérsk (Gdovsk) • Ven. Theóphil (Theophilus) and Jacob (James), Abbots of Omutch (Pskov—ca. 1412) • Martyr Dasius, Gaius, and Zoticus, at Nicomedia (303) • Ven. Philotheus of Dionysiou (Mt. Athos—1610) • Ven. Visarion (Bessarion) Sarai and Sophronie, of Ciorara, Confessors, and Martyr Oprea of Salistie, in Romania (1776).

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**Tone 4** of the Octoechos

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke