

# Saintly Notes

## St. Hilarion the New (June 6)

**S**aint Hilarion the New (June 6) was born of pious parents, Peter and Theodosia, who raised him in the virtues and instructed him in Holy Scripture. At twelve years of age St Hilarion was tonsured as a monk at the Hesychius monastery near Constantinople, and from there he transferred to the Dalmatus monastery, where he received the Great Schema and became a disciple of St Gregory the Dekapolite (November 20).

The monk deeply venerated his God-bearing patron St. Hilarion the Great (October 21), and he strove to imitate his life, so he came to be called Hilarion the New. At the Dalmatus monastery, he was ordained presbyter. After the death of the igumen, the brethren wanted to elect St Hilarion to this position, but learning of this, he secretly fled to Constantinople.

Then the monks of Dalmatus monastery sent a petition to Patriarch Nicephorus, asking that St Hilarion be assigned as igumen. The Patriarch summoned the saint and persuaded him to give his assent. St Hilarion submitted out of holy obedience. For eight years he peacefully guided the monastery, but in the year 813 the iconoclast Leo the Armenian (813-820) occupied the imperial throne. The saint refused to dishonor the holy icons, and he boldly accused the emperor of heresy, for which he endured many torments. They locked him up in prison for awhile, and vexed him with hunger and thirst.

The impious Patriarch Theodotus, who replaced the exiled Patriarch Nicephorus, caused the monk much suffering in demanding that he abandon Orthodoxy. The monks of the Dalmatus monastery went to the emperor and asked him to release the saint, promising to submit to the imperial will. After they returned to the monastery, however, St Hilarion and the monks continued to venerate the holy icons. The enraged emperor again threw the monk into prison. He gave the saint over to torture with all the means at his disposal, hoping to change his mind.

The wrath of God soon overtook the wicked emperor. He was cut down by his own soldiers in church at the very spot where he had once thrown down a holy icon. The new emperor Michael II (820-829) freed St Hilarion from his imprisonment, and the saint settled into a monastic cell. Upon the death of St Theodore the Studite (November 11), who also suffered for the holy icons, St Hilarion beheld holy angels taking the soul of St Theodore to Heaven.

Under the iconoclast emperor Theophilus (829-842), St Hilarion was again put under guard and beaten terribly, then they confined him on the island of Aphousia.

After the death of Theophilus, the holy empress St Theodora (February 11) gave orders to recall the confessors from exile. St Hilarion returned to the Dalmatus monastery, again agreeing to be igumen. He departed peacefully in the year 845.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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### The Saints Whom We Remember

Venerable Hilarion the New, of the Dalmaton monastery;  
Venerable Vissarion of Egypt and Attalos the wonder-worker

### This Week's Schedule

**Today:** 9:00a Orthros; 10:00a Divine Liturgy  
**Monday:** Church Office Closed  
**Tuesday:** 7:00p Parish Council  
**Wednesday:** 9:15a Third Hour Prayer; 6:30p Daily Vespers  
**Saturday:** 9:00a Women's Bible Study; 5:30p Great Vespers  
**Sunday:** 9:00a Orthros; 10:00a Divine Liturgy

### First Antiphon

*Refrain:* Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

### Second Antiphon

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

### Third Antiphon

Troparion of the Resurrection  
(Tone 1)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to

Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

### Little Entrance

- † *Entrance Hymn:* "Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ . . . Alleluia."  
† *Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 1):* See above.  
† *Troparion for All Saints (Tone 4):* As with fine porphyry and royal purple Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyr's blood shed throughout all the world. She cries to Thee, O Christ God, send down Thy bounties on Thy people, grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.  
† *Kontakion for Ordinary Sundays (Tone 2):* O Protection of Christians that is not put to shame,

unchanging Mediation before the Creator, despise not the voice of the sinners' prayer, but in that thou art good, come quickly to help us who call upon thee in faith. Make speed to intercede and make haste to supplicate, O Theotokos, who dost ever protect those that honor thee.

### The Trisagion

"Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy . . ."

### Scripture

for today and next Sunday

Today: (See insert)

Next Sunday:

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-11  
Gospel: Matt. 6:22-33

### Agalynarion

(Tone 8)

It is truly meet and right to bless thee. . .

### Communion Hymn

Tone 8

Praise the Lord . . . Alleluia.

### Post-Communion Hymn

We have seen the true light . . .

### Parish Notes

#### Altar Servers Today

William Christopoulos, Christopher Wingenbach, Ilya Moundous, Gabriel Pope, Nicholas Kliewer.

#### Special Attention

- **Building Project Update—Placing of the central dome:** We are still planning to place the central dome onto the new temple in the near

future. It will be positioned on the roof of the temple if weather permits this week.

- **Ladies, Save These Dates:** We will have our annual summer Brunch and Bible Study sessions on these dates: June 12, July 17, August 14. We'll meet from 9-11:30 am on those dates. More details will be coming soon. *Kh. Barbara*
- **General and Building Funds Opportunity.** Those of you who have not yet made a pledge to worshipfully and regularly contribute to our general fund and to our building fund, may place your completed pledge cards from last Sunday's Open House in the offering plate today. The building that you toured last Sunday is only possible because all of us are supporting it by prayer and by our financial gifts. We need every member to participate. Pledge cards are available on the narthex table.
- **Extraordinary Special Gifts for Our New Temple.** Fr. Nicholas will soon distribute a list of items that will be needed for our new Temple and Education wing. Items such as icons, stain glass windows, bells, furniture, etc. You will have an opportunity to donate toward these items at that time. Items might be donated in memory of someone or in honor of a special occasion in your family or for any reason that you find appropriate. More details will follow.

## Today's Epistle and Gospel Readings

### **Prokeimenon:**

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

*Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.*

### †**Epistle: Rom. 2:10–16 (RSV)**

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law. For it is not the hearers of the Law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the Law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the Law do by nature what the Law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the Law. They show that what the Law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

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net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And He went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

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