

HIEROMARTYR HIPPOLYTUS AND THOSE WITH HIM

The Hieromartyr Hippolytus and the Martyrs Censorinus, Sabinus, Chryse the Virgin and 20 others suffered in the year 269.

St. Hippolytus was a disciple of St. Irenaeus, Bishop of Lugdunum (Lyons in France), and he is renowned as a Christian theologian who wrote many treatises against the heretics. He compiled a Paschal Canon, the famous Apostolic Tradition, "On Christ," and a "Treatise on the Antichrist." He also wrote many commentaries on Holy Scripture, on the Biblical Books: Genesis, Exodus, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, the Song of Songs, and on the Gospels of Matthew, Luke and John, and on the Prophets Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Zechariah, on the Psalms of David and on the Apocalypse. His discourses demonstrate his masterful style of preaching. He was one of the last Western Fathers to write in Greek.

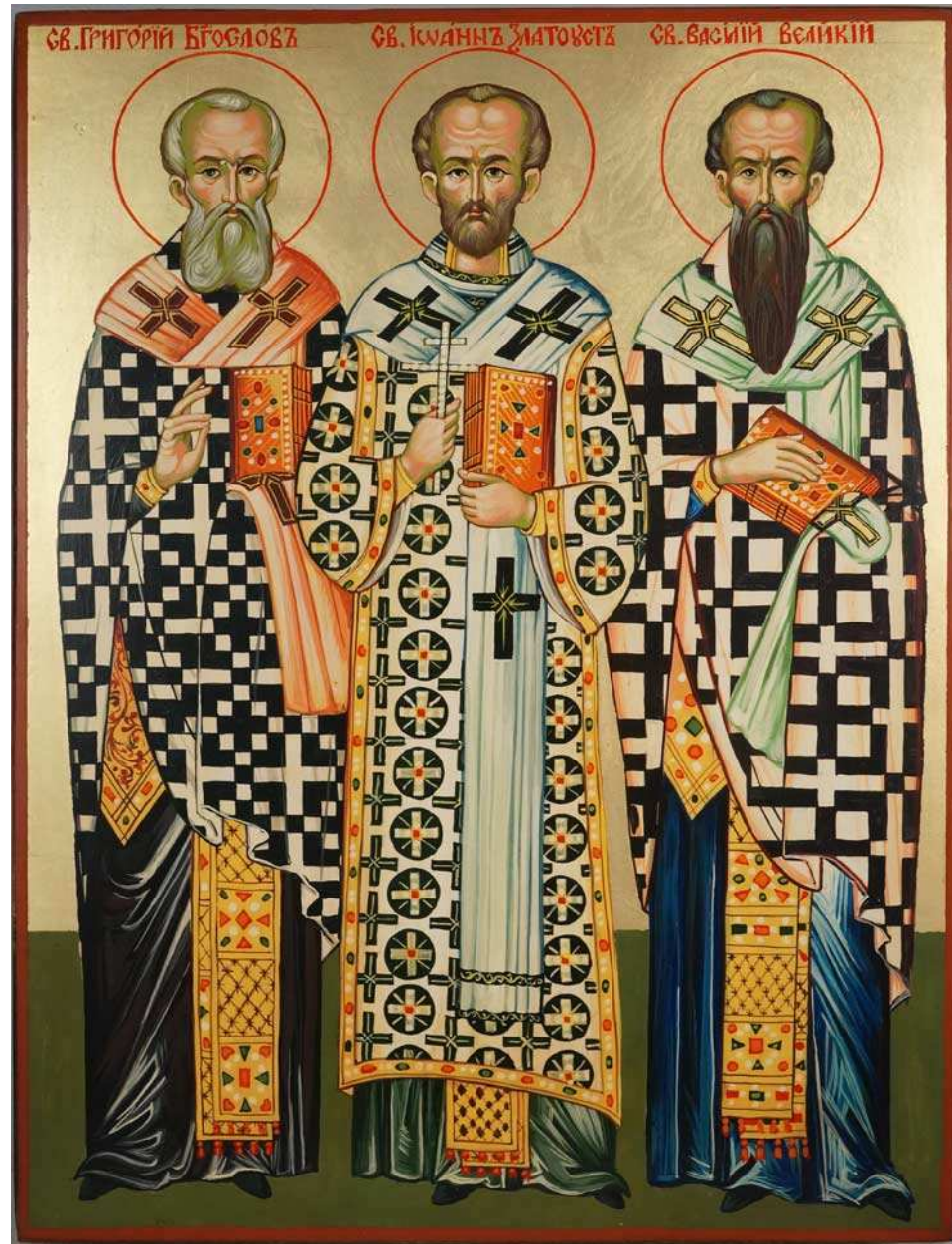
When St. Hippolytus, as Bishop of Rome, learned of the suffering of martyrs, he appeared before the governor despite his advanced years and rebuked the torturers for their inhumanity. The enraged governor sentenced the holy bishop to be tortured. After long torments, they tied him hand and foot and threw him into the sea.

St. Censorinus was a high-ranking magistrate during the reign of the roman emperor Claudius II (268-270). He was imprisoned for his faith in Christ. By the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, he raised up a dead man; as a result, twenty soldiers and prison guards converted to Christ and were beheaded with him.

The virgin Chryse confessed herself a Christian and was tortured; they lashed her sides and burned her with candles, she was stretched out and beaten with clubs, her jaw was broken with a rock and then she was thrown into the sea with a stone tied around her neck. Although she was covered with wounds, she confessed her faith as she was dying.

St. Sabinus, her servant, was beaten with lead balls, and he was hung on a tree and burned. Twenty other martyrs also suffered with Saint Chryse.

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JANUARY 30, 2021

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Synaxis of the Three Great Ecumenical Teachers and Hierarchs:

Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom

Hieromartyr Hippolytus, Pope of Rome, and with him Martyrs Censorinus, Sabinus, Ares, the Virgin Chryse, and with her Martyrs Felix, Maximus, Herculanus, Venerius, Styracius, Menas, Commodus, Hermes, Maurus, Eusebius, Rusticus, Monagrius, Amandinus, Olympius, Cyrus, Theodore the Tribune, Maximus the Presbyter, Archelaus the Deacon, and Cyriacus the Bishop, all beheaded at Ostia;

Ven. Zeno, Hermit, of Antioch, disciple of St. Basil the Great;

Martyr Theophilus the New in Cyprus; Rt. Blv. Petar; Ven. Zeno the Faster, of the Kiev Caves; Bl. Pelagia of Divéyevo; The TINOS Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos

“Let us who love their words gather together and honor with hymns the three great torchbearers of the triune Godhead: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom. These men have enlightened the world with the rays of their divine doctrines. They are sweetly-flowing rivers of wisdom, filling all creation with springs of heavenly knowledge. Ceaselessly they intercede for us before the Holy Trinity.”

Troparion, Tone I

“Your holy martyrs, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You, our God. For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!”

Troparion, Tone IV

TODAY’S EPISTLE: I TIMOTHY 1:15-17
HEBREWS 13:7-16

TODAY’S GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15:21-28
MATTHEW 5:14-19

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

Tuesday, February 1	6:00 p.m. Vespers
Wednesday, February 2	9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - The Meeting of our Lord in the Temple
Saturday, February 5	5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, January 31	James 2:14-26	Mark 10:46-52
Tuesday, February 1	James 3:1-10	Mark 11:11-23
	James 3:11-4:6	Mark 11:22-26
Wednesday, February 2	Hebrews 7:7-17	Luke 2:22-40
Thursday, February 3	James 4:7-5:9	Mark 11:27-33
Friday, February 4	I Peter 1:1-2,10-12, 2:6-10	Mark 12:1-12
Saturday, January 5	I Thessalonians 5:14-23	Luke 17:3-10
(St. Theodosius of Chernígov)	Hebrews 13:17-21	Luke 6:17-23

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY:

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| 13, Sunday | Second Sunday Food Sale |
| | Parish Council meeting |
| 21, Monday | Cooking for St. Herman's House |
| 23, Wednesday | Delivering meals to St. Herman's House |

FOOD SALE:

Please plan to support our February Food Sale, which will be held in two weeks. It will be the day before Valentine's Day, so donate and purchase special bakery items!

ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP:

Holy Spirit Byzantine Catholic Church, 5500 W. 54th St. in Parma, invites all to an iconography workshop, which will be held on Tuesdays during Lent—3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5. Classes run 6:30-10:00 p.m. and will be taught by Byzantine Catholic priest Fr. Marek Visnovsky. Cost is \$350. Details are in the Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY:

This year the Orthodox Christian Community of Greater Cleveland and Lorain will honor the Sunday of Orthodoxy at a Great Vespers service hosted by St. Matthew Antiochian Church in North Royalton on March 13, 5:00 p.m. Donations to support Orthodox ministries are being requested. Further details will appear in next week's Trinitarian.

PLAN AHEAD!

Rummage Sale dates are July 28, 29, and 30, 2022. Please start saving items to donate. Just as last year, everything should be in good condition; no clothes, shoes, or upholstered furniture. Let's make this sale another great sale! Thank you.

COFFEE HOUR:

The Coffee Hour today is donated by the Chandler Family.

2022 COVERS:

If you would like to make an offering for Trinitarians in 2022, there is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Or call Janene at the church office on Monday or Thursday mornings (216-524-4859) to select a date.

TRINITARIAN COVERS:

The covers today are offered by the Bellack Family.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

There will be a 40th Day Memorial Service for Janice Timko on Saturday, February 12, at 4:00 p.m.

“Those who are trying to lead a spiritual life have to carry on a most skillful and difficult warfare every moment of their life. It is necessary that the soul have a clear eye, able to watch and notice the thoughts entering the heart from the evil one and to repel them. If the heart is not burning with faith, humility and love, the devil will have easy access to it. This may lead to a weakening or even total loss of faith and be taken over by every possible evil that even tears may not be able to wash it away.”

“If you wish to ask of God any blessing for yourself, then before praying, prepare yourself for undoubting and firm faith. For it will go ill with you if during the prayer itself your heart wavers its faith and does not stand firm in it; then do not even expect to obtain from the Lord what you have prayed for doubtfully, for in doing so you have offended the Lord, and God does not bestow His gifts upon a reviler.

‘And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.’ (Matthew 21:28)”

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PERSONAL LIVES OF THE GREAT HIERARCHS

(Today, January 30, we honor the Three Great Hierarchs, Saints Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom. Sts. Basil (+379) and Gregory (+390) were good friends; St. John lived somewhat later. To cease debates about “who is the greatest,” an official day of mutual celebration was established in the 11th century. Remembered for profound theology and spirituality, they also had personal and private lives, which these excerpts exemplify.)

St. Gregory the Theologian on Friendship

If somebody asks me, “What is the best in this life?” I shall answer, “Friends!” And among them, which ones are to be given preference? I would say, “Those who are good!” And which ones shall I name first? “I would place you at the top of the list, my friend, not to flatter you but to honor your qualities which we proclaim, as far as it is in our power to recognize. Since we not only venerate the Divinity, but also implore God’s favors, I ask you to accept this person whom I am sending to you as you would accept me. I present him to you and beg you to receive him with kindness and excuse his shyness; I would even ask you to entrust him as a friend with your heart, both for our sake and unto the renown of your excellent virtues.

St. Basil the Great on Illness

It is not possible for us to flee the hardships of winter like the cranes; and as for predicting the future, maybe we are not worse off than the cranes. We are left behind the birds when it comes to a short flight away from harassment of winter. First, some hindrance from business weighed my life down. Then, uninterrupted violent fevers have so well mined my body that something thinner than me appeared: and it was I myself! Afterwards, attacks of recurring fever took over. Now I seem to be delivered from the fevers, but I am so weak, for that matter, that I could not hold my own against a spider. This is why travelling is forbidden to me, and the lightest puff of wind brings about more danger than mighty waves to the seafarers. So we keep snug at home, and wait for springtime. If the Lord keeps us in His mighty hands, I will most gladly get to visit you then. Only pray that our life be governed profitable to our souls!

St. Gregory the Theologian on his friend, St. Basil the Great

[St.] Basil was great and illustrious, a public example of virtue and worthiness. At the height of his fame, he became a pride of humanity? He was devoted to poverty, free from surplus of all things. He possessed only his body, and the clothes necessary to cover his body. His wealth was in having nothing, and for him the Cross, with which he lived, was the greatest of all riches. Such was his brilliant mind and such was his pure life, he had no need of a platform and no desire of vainglory. He looked to the lilies of the field and the birds of the air, whose beauty is artless, and thus following Our Lord and Savior Christ, who made Himself poor for our sake, so too did [St.] Basil come to enjoy the riches of God’s goodness. For his aim was not to seem, but to be, most excellent.

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FEBRUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:00 p.m. Vespers of the Meeting of our Lord in the Temple	2 The Meeting of our Lord in the Temple 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	3	4	5 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
6 33rd Sunday after Pentecost Sunday of Zacchaeus	7	8	9	10	11	12 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers
13 34th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee Second Sunday Food Sale Parish Council meeting	14 T H I S	15 I S	16 A	17 F A S T -	18 F R E E	19 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions W E E K .
20 35th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday of the Prodigal Son	21 Cooking for St. Herman's House	22	23 Delivering food to St. Herman's House	24	25	26 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers
27 Meatfare Sunday Sunday of the Last Judgment	28					