

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Thurs Nov. 7-Sat Nov. 9	8 am	ASONA RUMMAGE SALE
Sat. Nov. 9	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Nov. 10	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Nov. 16	1 pm	Readers Training
	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Nov. 17	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Nov. 23	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Nov. 24	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Wed. Nov. 27	6 pm	Molebien of Thanksgiving

\*If you attend a morning service other than Sunday, please remember **not** to park in front of Al's Meat Market. The Elks/American Legion parking area is right through the outdoor hall.

PRAY FOR PEACE. PRAY FOR EACH OTHER.  
AND PREPARE FOR ADVERSITY.



**The ASONA Giving Tree  
Is coming  
Soon!**

## ASONA FLOCKNOTE TEXT ALERTS

*Sign up easily!* **Text ASONA to 84576**

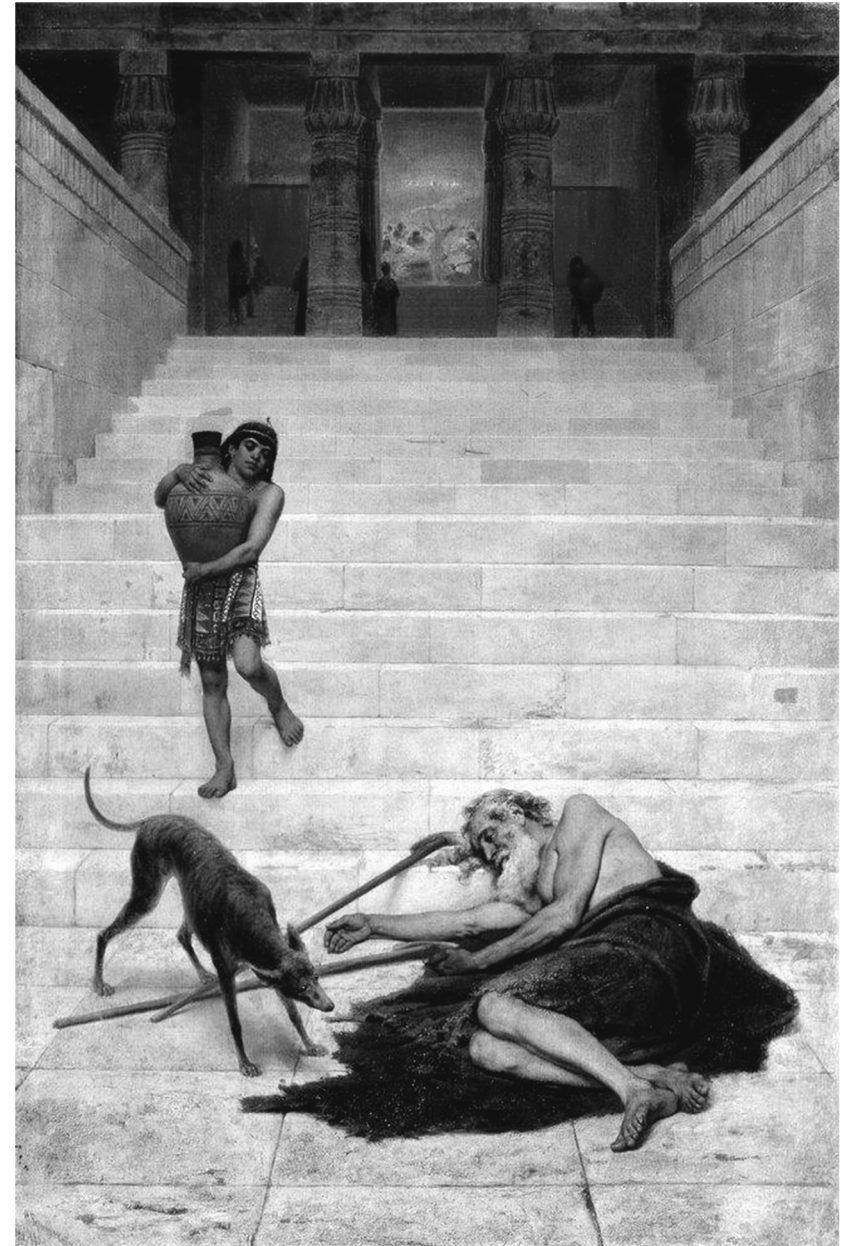
And get on our parish text alerts list, and stay up to date via email or text alerts. Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. There is no charge for this service, but carrier message and data rates may apply.



SUN. NOV. 2, 2024

ST. HILARION THE GREAT

TONE 2



# SAINTS ALIVE

*The lives and deeds of the heroes of our faith*

## ST. HILARION THE GREAT

Saint Hilarion the Great was born to pagan parents in the year 291 in the Palestinian village of Thabatha near Gaza. As a young man, he was sent to Alexandria for his education. 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, Saint Hilarion went forth into the desert surrounding the city of Maium.

In the desert the Saint endured violent struggles with impure thoughts, vexations of the mind, and the burning passions of the flesh, but he defeated them through heavy labor, fasting and fervent prayer. The devil sought to frighten him with phantoms and apparitions. While he was praying Saint Hilarion would sometimes hear children crying, women wailing, and the roaring of lions and other wild beasts. He understood that the demons were causing these terrors in order to drive him out of the wilderness. He overcame his fear by resorting to fervent prayer. Once, some thieves fell upon Saint Hilarion, and he persuaded them to forsake their lawless life by the power of his words.

Soon all of Palestine heard about Saint Hilarion and of the miracles he worked. The Lord granted the holy ascetic the power to cast out unclean spirits. With this gift of grace he loosed the bonds of many of those who were afflicted. The sick came for healing, and the Saint cured them without asking for any payment, saying that the grace of God is freely received, and must be freely given (Matthew 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 was afflicting his soul. They came to Saint Hilarion desiring to save their souls under his guidance. With his blessing, 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.

**Glory to God for All Things!**



# COMING THIS WEEK!

**Thurs. Nov 7- Sat. Nov. 9**

## READERS TRAINING

Sat. Nov. 16

Mark your calendars





BENEFITTING THOSE IN THE ARIZONA FOSTER CARE SYSTEM

## 2024 ASONA Giving Tree!

*It's almost that time of year again.*

As most of you know, every year ASONA sponsors a Giving Tree for children and adults who are in the Arizona Foster Care system. The holidays are a terrible time for those in the system, and we want to do EVERYTHING we can do to make sure they are not forgotten.

Here's how it works:

1. Take a tag from the 'tree'.
2. Purchase the corresponding gift(s).
3. Bring it, new and unwrapped, to Church (Gift bags are best!)
4. Make sure it's in church by the DEADLINE.

Now, don't forget this is a HARD DEADLINE. We are not in charge of this program, so everything must be collected by that date. There are NO EXCEPTIONS, as we aren't in charge of the pickup. We can do NOTHING to deliver late gifts.

**The Christmas Giving Tree starts SOON.** ASONA has participated in the program for years now. Help us continue this important spiritual tradition. This is the way of Life in Christ!

### **Prokeimenon in Tone 2 (Ps 118)**

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. The Lord has chastened my sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

### **And in the 7th tone (Ps 115)**

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

### EPISTLE: 2 CORINTHIANS 11: 31-12:9; 9:6-11

**B**RETHREN, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-- and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

**B**RETHREN, the point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may

provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.+

### **Alleluia in Tone 2 (Ps 20)**

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The Name  
of the God of Jacob protect you!

Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

### **And in the 6th Tone**

Blessed is the man that fears the Lord, that greatly  
delights in His commandments.

### **GOSPEL: LUKE 16:19-31; 6:17-23**

**T**HE LORD SAID THIS PARABLE, "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 some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"

**A**T THAT TIME, Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came forth from him and healed them all. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets." +

