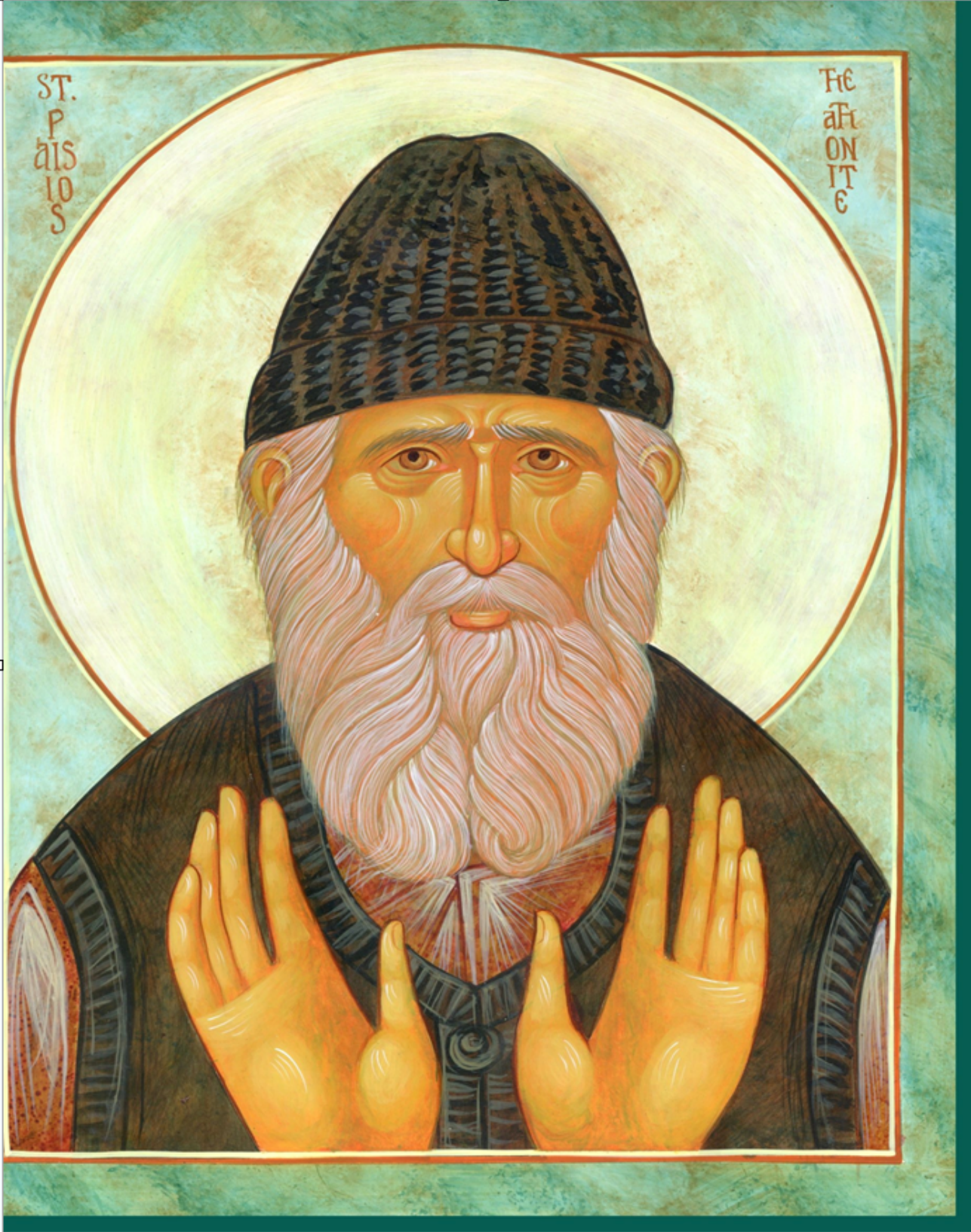




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OF CHARLESTON, OAKLAND, AND MID-ATLANTIC**

REVEREND FR. CHRISTOPHER DAVIS

***Jesus said, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My Word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. (John 16:23)
When a new person is baptized or Chrismated we say to that person, "Welcome Home!" The Church is where each person voluntarily belongs as one who believes in and belongs to Christ .***

We take this opportunity to welcome those guests worshiping with us.

Anyone wishing to request prayers for Health and Well-being, or a Trisagion prayer, please contact Dan Volitich, Joann Rossman or leave message on 724-847-1111.

The Orthodox Church understands that the sacraments we experience are a fundamental part of the sacred life of a worshiping community that shares in "one body...one faith". (Eph. 4:5). Thus, we can only share Communion with those who are Orthodox and who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and Confession. If you are not Orthodox, or are not properly prepared, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing and then to take a piece of the blessed bread.

DIVINE LITURGY ON SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026

TONE 5 / EOTHINON 6; SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & SIXTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

VENERABLE PAISIOS THE NEW OF MOUNT ATHOS

HOLY MARTYRS PROCLUS AND HILARY OF ANCYRA;

VERONICA, THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD WHO WAS HEALED BY OUR LORD

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. PAISIOS IN TONE FIVE (*Let us worship the Word***)**

When the fire of love for the Lord was lit in thee, * by thine ascetic travails didst thou give thyself unto Christ; * and didst take up His pure Image, O Paisios. * Thereby becoming for us all * consolation and a God-inspired source of holy wisdom; * and by thy ceaseless entreaties * for the whole world thou workest miracles.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

O beloved Apostle of Christ God, Come quick and save a people with no recourse. He who let you rest your head on his breast, will not reject your pleas on our behalf. Beseech him then, O wise and holy theologian. Dispel from us the dark and ominous clouds of disbelief. Grant us all of his peace and great mercy.

ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO

O undisputed intercessor of Christians the mediatrix, who are unrejected by the Creator. Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith, for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who dost ever intercede for those who honor thee.

THE EPISTLE

(For Sixth Sunday after Pentecost)

Thou, O Lord, wilt preserve us and keep us from this generation.

Save me, O Lord, for the Godly man hath disappeared.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (12:6-14)

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, and serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sixth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:1-8)

At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—He then said to the paralytic—"Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they marveled, and they glorified God, Who had given such authority to men.

THE SYNAXARION

On July 12 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our venerable Father Paisios the New of Mount Athos, who was perfected in peace in 1994.

Verses

Paisios, the tree of Mount Athos: Thou wast shown to be full of fruit, O most venerable one.

On the twelfth, Paisios reposed.

This holy man was born as Arsenios Eznepidis in Farasa, Turkey in 1924. His family settled in Konitsa, Epirus, Greece. In 1950, he began his monastic life on Mount Athos. Seven years later, he was tonsured to the small schema and given the name Paisios after the famed Paisios II, Metropolitan of Caesarea. Paisios lived for a time at St. Katherine Monastery on Mount Sinai, spent many years on Mount Athos, and eventually took up residence at St. John the Theologian Monastery in Souroti, Greece. Elder Paisios drew unwanted fame for his holiness, but he welcomed, counseled and cured thousands of Orthodox Christians of their various ailments and addictions through the power of Christ, upon which he counted for his own illnesses. After a battle with cancer, Elder Paisios reposed. Thousands of pilgrims flock to his grave at Souroti each year, seeking his intercessions before God to heal their illnesses. They continue to rely upon his counseling through his teachings in books and interviews. On January 13, 2015, the Ecumenical Patriarchate numbered Elder Paisios among the saints for his pious example and miracles, especially in recognition of the multitudes of clergy and faithful who love him.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyrs Proclus and Hilarion of Ancyra; and the righteous Veronica, the woman with the issue of blood healed by our Lord.

JULY/AUGUST SERVICES

*(NO VESPER SERVICES FROM
MAY 1ST. THROUGH AUGUST 31ST.)*

JULY 12TH SUNDAY — DIVINE LITURGY 10AM

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JULY 18TH SATURDAY — COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 8:30-10:30 AM

JULY 19TH SUNDAY— SUNDAY OF THE 4TH COUNCIL

DIVINE LITURGY 10AM

COUNCIL MEETING 12 NOON

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JULY 26TH SUNDAY — TYPIKA 10AM

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AUGUST 1ST SATURDAY—DORMITION FAST BEGINS

AUGUST 2ND SUNDAY — DIVINE LITURGY 10AM

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AUGUST 6TH THURSDAY — TRANSFIGURATION

SERVICE AT MONASTERY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

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AUGUST 9TH SUNDAY — MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

DIVINE LITURGY 10AM

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AUGUST 15TH SATURDAY — DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

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AUGUST 16TH SUNDAY — DIVINE LITURGY 10AM

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A Christian receives divine wisdom in three ways: by the commandments, teachings, and faith. The commandments free the mind from passions. Teachings lead it to true knowledge of nature. Faith leads to the contemplation of the Holy Trinity.

PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF:

Fr. Steven, Kh. Paraskeva, Carol, Debbie, Trish, Shannon, Justin, Perry Sassic & family, Roddy, Jan, Fr. Andrew, Frank, Charlene, Cindi, Harriet, Joann, Cindy, Ray, Marlene, Julianna, Elias, Carrie, Oliver, Pauline, Despina, Julius, Jonathan, Kristen, Luca, Sam, Michael, Esteven, Phephile, Kyriel, Justin, Levon, Aiden, Kayla, Joni, Kirsten, Jonathan K., Andrew, Yvonne Rosemary and Patty.

FOR THOU ARE THE RESSURECTION, THE LIFE, AND THE REPOSE OF THY SERVANTS WHO HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP ESPECIALLY:

Prayers are offered in memory of.....

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ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

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***The THREE Tenets of the Order of St. Ignatius of Antioch**

ACT OF FAITH—Rooted in Love and Compassion

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***The Treehouse Mission-provide Education Programs, Car seats, layettes, Diapers, formula, wipes, Spiritual growth, Parenting, life skills, healthy relationship education, friendship, love, community.**

***Faith That Lasts Beyond Ourselves**

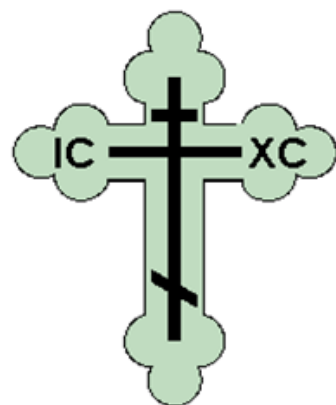
PROCLUS & HILARION OF ANCYRA

The Holy Martyrs Proclus and Hilarion were natives of the village of Kallippi, near An-cyra and they suffered during the time of a persecution under the emperor Trajan (98-117). St. Proclus was put under arrest first. Brought before the governor Maximus, he fearlessly confessed his faith in Christ. The governor compeled the Saint to submit himself to the emperor and offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. The governor asked of Proclus, "What is your lineage?" He respond, "My lineage is Christ and my hope is my God." The governor threatened him with tortures. Proclus said, "When you are afraid to transgress the orders of the emperor in order not to fall into temporal sufferings, how much more are we Christians afraid to transgress the commandment of God so that we may not fall into eternal sufferings?"

Proclus endured the following: first scourged, then the wounds of his bodily mem-bers were burned with lit lamps, then suspended on a stake and a heavy rock was tied around his feet, then forced to run after the chariot of the governor, heading to-ward Kallippi. Exhausted, Proclus prayed that God would halt the chariot. By the power of God, the chariot was halted and could not be moved. The governor was pet-rified. Proclus said that the chariot would not move until he signed a document with a confession of Christ. Only then would the chariot continue on its way. Now the pa-gan took fierce revenge and commanded that Proclus be taken out of town, tied to a pillar and shot with arrows. He prayed for his tormentors and surrendered his soul to God after being shot with arrows.

Hilarion was the nephew of St. Proclus and confessed himself a Christian. Hearing this, the soldiers seized him and threw him in prison. He was brought to trial and confessed himself a Christian. After being beaten, he was sentenced to death. They tied his hands and dragged him by his feet 3 miles through the city, wounded and bloody, and then they beheaded him which was 3 days after the death of his uncle. Christians buried them together in a single grave.

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