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### Venerable Ananias the Iconographer / Martyr Hyacinth of Caesarea, in Cappadocia, and those with him July 3, 2022

#### **Troparion – Tone 2**

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out:// “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

#### **Troparion – Tone 4**

Thy holy martyr Hyacinth, O Lord, through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons:// Through his intercession, save our souls!

#### **Kontakion – Tone 2**

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, // and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

#### **Kontakion – Tone 2**

Come, you faithful, plait a crown of unfading hyacinths today for the Martyr Hyacinth, and let us cry to him:// “Rejoice, glory of martyrs!”

#### **Prokeimenon – Tone 2**

The Lord is my strength and my song; / He has become my salvation.

*V. The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.*

#### **Venerable Ananias the Iconographer / Martyr Hyacinth of Caesarea, in Cappadocia, and those with him**

Saint Ananias was born in Russia and was tonsured in the monastery of Saint Antony the Roman at Novgorod. God endowed him with a gift for painting icons, and he exercised this talent for the glory of the Lord. The Venerable Ananias painted "marvelous icons of many holy wonderworkers." For thirty-three years, he never went beyond the fence of the monastery.

Historical records do not agree about the year of his repose. Some say that he went to the Lord in 1521, 1561, or 1581. His relics are buried in a hidden place at the Monastery.

Saint Ananias is commemorated on the third Sunday of Pentecost and on June 17.

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Saint Hyacinth, a native of Caesarea in Cappadocia, was raised in a Christian family. The emperor Trajan made the boy his “cubicularius” (chamberlain), unaware that he was a secret Christian.

One day, while the emperor and his entourage were offering sacrifice to idols, the young Hyacinth remained at the palace, shut himself up in a small room, and prayed fervently to the Lord Jesus Christ. One of the servants overheard him praying and denounced him to the emperor. He said that although Hyacinth was entrusted with an imperial position, he did not honor the Roman gods, and was secretly praying to Christ.

Hyacinth was brought to trial before Trajan, who tried to persuade him to deny Christ and sacrifice to the deaf and dumb idols, but the holy martyr remained steadfast and declared that he was a Christian. He was whipped and thrown into prison, where the only food given to him was what had already been offered to the idols. They hoped that he would be overcome with hunger and thirst and eat it. Saint Hyacinth did not eat the food, and he died after thirty-eight days. When they came to torture him again, they found his dead body.

The jailer saw two angels in the cell. One covered the saint’s body with his own garment, and the other placed a crown of glory on his head.

The twelve-year-old Hyacinth suffered for Christ in the year 108 in the city of Rome. Later, the saint’s relics were transferred to Caesarea.

Saints Diomedes, Eulampius, Asclepiodotus, and Golinduc also suffered with Saint Hyacinth.

### **Epistle: Romans 5:1-10**

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

### **Gospel: Matthew 6:22-33**

The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

### **Service Schedule for the week of July 3**

Sunday July 3 – 9:45 AM Hours; 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour in Daria Hall

Saturday July 9 – 5:00 PM Vespers followed by Confession

Sunday July 10 – 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour in Daria Hall

## **Weekly Giving**

June 26 – 36 adults, 17 youth, \$1,837

## **Parish Announcements**

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of the church for Potluck Supper after Vespers on July 14 for St. Vladimir Feast Day. This is not a fast day – any food will be acceptable. Archbishop Michael will be here to celebrate our patron saint's Feast Day on July 14 and July 15.

Everyone - please purchase a few gallons of spring water to be used for Coffee Hour in Daria Hall. If you are not going over to Daria Hall, please leave the water on the table in the back of the church. Thank you!

Please consider a cash donation to purchase a fruit tree for our parish picnic grounds. The cost per tree is approx. \$75-\$100. When enough cash is available, several trees will be purchased and a planting day at the picnic grounds will be scheduled. Thank you!

Youth and adults of the parish are invited to Bible Study classes during Coffee Hour. The classes are taught by Alan Berck.

## **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

Luke Ortiz – July 3

*Have a blessed birthday and may God grant you many years!*

## **COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE – Coffee Hour Preparation Instructions are available in the Daria Hall kitchen**

July 3 Walter & Tanya Tribbey; Nina Laushell  
July 10 Darice Keyes  
July 17 Alla Strauss, Francine Brady, Nancy Mitsos  
July 24 Boryana Dorvil  
July 31 Svetlana Sosedov  
Aug. 7 **FAST DAY** Mary Reiling  
Aug. 14 **FAST DAY** Corneliu & Ilonica Balosa  
Aug. 21 Viktorya Baranava  
Aug. 28 Nana & Matthew Barrett  
Sept. 4 Vera Pschenyczny  
Sept. 11 Karina Kotelnicki  
Sept. 18 Ekaterina & Stanislav Uritsky  
Sept. 25 ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC – no Coffee Hour  
Oct. 2 Gebrekvistos Amleset  
Oct. 9 Bill & Margie DiCicco / Chris Kasmer  
Oct. 16 Ramazi Shubitidze  
Oct. 23 Alex Godun  
Oct. 30 Phyllis Eck  
Nov. 6 Paula & Ludwig Koerte  
Nov. 13 TURKEY SOCIAL – no Coffee Hour  
Nov. 20 **FAST DAY** Alex & Brittani Brasowski  
Nov. 27 **FAST DAY** Germain & Tahara Ortiz  
Dec. 4 **FAST DAY** Paul Denko  
Dec. 11 **FAST DAY** Olga & James Bates  
Dec. 18 **FAST DAY** Father Volodymyr & Matushka Oksana  
Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS – no Coffee Hour  
Jan. 1 Matthew & Kris Bohush