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**MARTYRS PROCLUS AND HILARY OF ANCYRA**  
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Epistle Reading**  
Romans 10:1-10

**Gospel Reading**  
Matthew 8:28 - 9:1

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!  
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

**Troparion** (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!”

**Troparion** (Martyrs Proclus and Hilary)

Your holy martyrs Proclus and Hilary, 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!

**Kontakion** (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

**Kontakion** (Martyrs Proclus and Hilary)

Like the morning star, your glorious sufferings enlighten us with holy miracles. We celebrate your memory, Proclus and Hilary; pray to Christ God for us that He will save our souls.

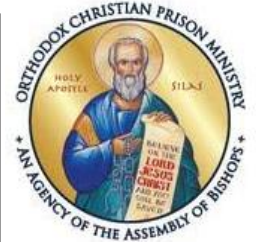
**Kontakion** (St. Luke)

Let us praise the godly Luke: he is the true preacher of piety, the orator of ineffable mysteries and the star of the Church; for the Word, Who alone knows the hearts of men, chose him, together with wise Paul, to be a teacher of the gentiles!

**Welcome** to everyone with us today in person and watching by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith, we invite you to stay for Coffee Hour to meet Fr. John and to get acquainted with us. Come join us again for prayer, study and fellowship.

**Orthodox Prison Ministry Awareness Sunday - Today**

Today has been blessed by The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America as Prison Ministry Awareness Sunday. This is an important day for the recognition of the work of Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry (OCPM), its Chaplains and volunteers, the imprisoned and their families.



Chances are, more than one parishioner has been touched by a person serving time in prison. Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry introduces prisoners to the fullness of the Orthodox faith. They help Orthodox Christians who have been convicted of crimes to return to the Orthodox faith and find healing and reconciliation. *But OCPM can't do it without the support of our parishes.* Help with a donation at Coffee Hour today or online at <https://theoocpm.org>.

**Northern Virginia Family Services “Back 2 School Drive” - Today through July 30**

This is our 15<sup>th</sup> year to help low-income children and teens get ready for the new school year through our annual project with NVFS. Financial donations and orders from their Amazon Wish List may be made at <https://www.nvfs.org/support>.

**Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, July 28 – 7PM on Zoom**

This week's study will focus on “Humility” from the teachings of Elder Thaddeus in the book, *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives*. Fr. John will email the link.

**St. Vladimir's Education Day Video Available Online**

St. Vladimir's Seminary recently held a day-long 'Zoomathon' with presentations by Archbishop Alexander (Golitzen), professors and guest scholars gaining highly favorable reviews. A sample of the topics includes: Orthodoxy after Communism, Covid-19 and Orthodox Seekers, An Orthodox Response to Secularism (Bioethics), and more. Scroll down their [Facebook](#) page or see it on their [Youtube](#) channel.

**God Grant You Many Years!**

May God bless Borka Sucevic and Zova Glomazic (12 yrs. old) on their birthdays. God bless Milorad and Tracy Milosevich on their 37th wedding anniversary and Diana Kinker and Youssef Zaki on their 10<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Mnogaja ljeta!