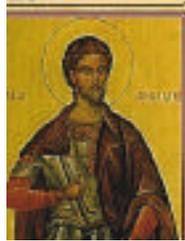


July 18

d. Holy Martyr Emilian



Born a Slav, St. Emilian suffered for Christ in city of Dorostolon. For his ardent zealousness for the true faith St. Emilian once came with a hammer to the pagan temple and there destroyed all the idols. For this he "was wounded with wounds, and shut in prison, and offended by diverse offenses". After severe torture St. Emilian was burned in the year 362. The relics of the holy martyr were subsequently transferred to Constantinople.

Kontakion, tone 3

**Burning with zeal for God, you did not dread the fire,
But freely ascending without fear,
You were consumed by the flames,
Offering yourself to the Master as a sacrifice.
Glorious Martyr Emilian: //
Pray to Christ God that He may grant us great mercy.**

Holy Martyr Hyacinth of Amastris

He suffered for Christ in city of Amastrides (now Amastris, in Anatolia (Turkey)). His relics, a source of healing, were kept there also. The time of his life and sufferings is not known. The Ustav (Rule) and the Monthly Menaion, although indicating the memory of this saint, do not show any services for him, not even a Troparion or Kontakion.

Venerable Pambo, Hermit of Nitria

A contemporary of the Venerable Anthony the Great, he has become famous for not being acquisitive and being wonderfully careful with words. All his life he tried to carry out the beginning words of Psalm 38(39): "I said: I shall guard my

ways, that I sin not with my tongue". He died peacefully at the end of the fourth century.

Venerable John the Long-suffering of the Kiev Caves

A monk of the Kiev Caves Monastery, he revealed himself as an example of the heavy battle against the flesh ending with a glorious victory, by the cumulative action of strong will and heavenly grace. To overcome carnal lust, he tormented himself by hunger and thirst, carried heavy chains, lived for some years in a sorrowful and near cave without leaving and finally humbled the impure movement in himself by digging himself into the earth up to his shoulders in the St. Anthony Cave. He died in such a position (not earlier than 1160). His relics reposed in the same position up to this time. There is a special service with the Polyeleos for him.

Repose of Venerable Leontius

Venerable Leontius founded the former *Karikhov* Monastery in the Novgorod district. He died on July 18, 1429. His relics repose in the former monastery but now parish church.

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