

**Feast day of Basil the Confessor, Bishop of
Parium; 4th Sunday of Great Lent
commemorated Righteous Father John Climacus**



The Church today venerates the memory of Basil the Confessor, Bishop of Parium.

A day earlier, on the fourth Sunday of Great Lent, the Orthodox Church commemorated our Righteous Father John Climacus.

He is called Climacus, Greek for scale, due to his authorship of the great spiritual work The Ladder of Divine Ascent. Righteous Father John's commemoration is designated by the Church on one of the Sundays of Lent, as his life and writings affirm him as a supreme bearer and proponent of Christian asceticism.