

+ Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona, S.T.M., J.C.L., 1943-2017 – Founding Pastor +  
Parish established on January 29, 1993 – Church blessed on October 4, 2007

# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

2120 Lindell Road, Las Vegas, NV 89146 – (702) 873-5101  
Website: <https://OurLadyOfWisdom.net>

# January 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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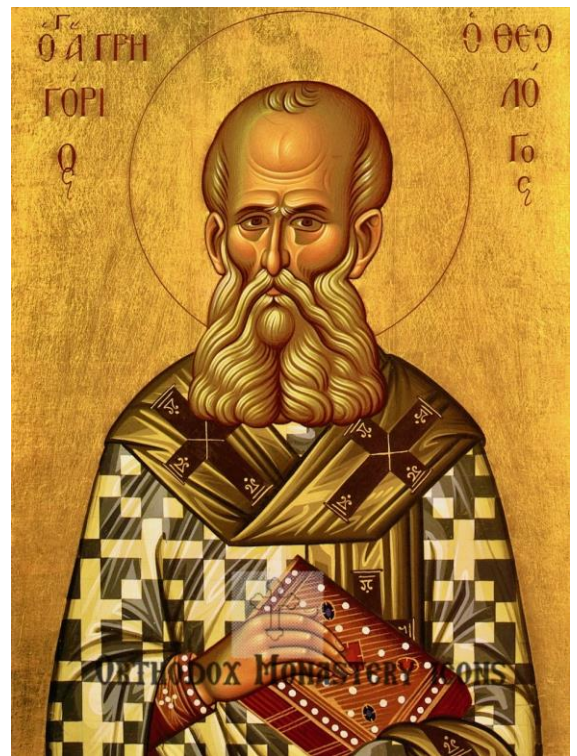
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### WEEKEND LITURGIES:

Saturday, 5:00 PM – Vesper Divine Liturgy – **Livestream**  
Sunday, 10:30 AM – Divine Liturgy  
12:30 pm – Divine Liturgy – **Livestream**

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES:

Monday, 7:00 PM – Divine Liturgy  
Tuesday, 11:00 AM – Divine Liturgy  
Wednesday, 11:00 AM – Divine Liturgy  
Thursday, 7:00 PM – Divine Liturgy  
Friday, 11:00 AM – Divine Liturgy



Father Gregory, Theologian

### Our Lady of Wisdom Mission Statement

*Our mission is to foster a Catholic and Godly renewal with worship through the awe-inspiring Liturgy of the Byzantine Catholic Church; in order to bring the message of the Living Lord to the faithful and seekers of truth.*

### Parish Membership

The Family of Our Lady of Wisdom is open to any Catholic, and to anyone:

- who is interested in seeking the Lord Jesus Christ through His Word and Sacred Mysteries (Sacraments)
- who accepts the teachings of the Catholic Church
- who will help us form a community based on the Lord's love
- who is willing to grow as a Christian within the legitimate traditions of the Byzantine Catholic Church
- who acknowledges the authority of the Pope, Bishop and Pastor
- who will attend Liturgical Services on Saturday or Sunday, and on the Great Holy Days
- who is willing to support the growth of the Church by sharing their Time, Talent and Treasure (financial support)
- who will participate in the yearly Bishop's Appeal

**For registration information, please contact the Parish Office.**

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### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Clement, Martyr, Bishop of Ancyra  
**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy – Livestream**

*Intention: Robert M. Birthday*

Readings: 2 Tim 2:11-19; Lk 18:2-8

Readings for the Saint: Heb 13:7-16; Lk 8:16-21

**Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>** – Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy – Livestream**

*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

*by Bettie Arthur*

Readings: 2 Tim 3:10-15; Lk 18:10-14

**12:30pm – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: 2 Tim 3:10-15; Lk 18:10-14

**Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** – Our Holy Father Gregory, the Theologian

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Fr. Stephen Casmus*

Readings: 1 Cor 12:7-11; Jn 10:9-16

Readings for the Day: 2 Pet 1:20-2:9; Mk 13:9-13

**Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>** – Our Venerable Father Xenophon;

**His Wife, Mary; Sons Arcadius and John**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Paul Parquette*

Readings: 2 Peter 2: 9-22; Mk 13:14-23

**Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** – Translation of the Relics of our Father  
**St. John Chrysostom**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Michael Spencer*

Readings: Heb 7:26-8:2; Jn 10:9-16

Readings for the Day: 2 Pet 3:1-18; Mk 13:24-31

**Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** – Our Venerable Father Ephrem

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Mary Margaret 40days*

Readings: 1 Jn 1:8-2:6; Mk 13:31-14:2

Readings for St. Ephrem: Gal 5:22-6:2; Mt 11:27-30

**Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** – Translation of the Relics of St. Ignatius

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Julian Gnall*

Readings: 1 Jn 2:7-17; Mk 14:3-9

Readings for St. Ignatius: Heb 4:14-5:6; Mk 9:33-41

**Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** – Feast of the Three Holy Hierarchs

**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy – Livestream**

*Intention: +Julian Gnall*

Readings: Heb 13:7-16; Mt 5:14-19

**Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>** – Sunday of the Prodigal Son

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy – Livestream**

*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: 1 Cor 6:12-20; Lk 15:11-32

**12:30pm – Divine Liturgy**

*Intention: Brittany & Ryan Thompson, Dan & Brand Thompson,*

*Donny & Cathy Thompson*

Readings: 1 Cor 6:12-20; Mk 11:11-32

**23<sup>rd</sup>** – **St. Clement, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Ancyra**, lived in exile for 28 years under several persecutors and died by the sword A.D. 296. — **St. Agathangel**, Martyr, suffered death also in the reign of Maximian and Diocletian, Emperors.

**24<sup>th</sup>** – **Our Venerable Mother Xenia** was of a noble and famous Roman family. Her former name was Eusebia and her parents planning her marriage; she escaped from her bridegroom and, with two handmaids, she fled to Alexandria for refuge.

**25<sup>th</sup>** – **Our Holy Father, Gregory, the Theologian of Cappadocia** in Asia Minor, Archbishop of Constantinople, is one of the greatest writers and poets and one of the four great doctors of the Byzantine Rite Church. He died in A.D. 389, in the reign of Theodosius the Great; he presided in Constantinople in the church of Holy Wisdom 12 years. He died at the age of 80.

**26<sup>th</sup>** – **Our Venerable Father, Xenophon, his wife, Mary, and sons, Arcadius and John**, died in the year A.D. 520, in the reign of Justin. — **Theodore, Hegumen**–Abbot of Monks of Studites, and his brother, **Joseph**, who died A.D. 826, during the reign of Michael the Stutterer, Emperor.

**27<sup>th</sup>** – **Translation of the Relics of our Father, St. John Chrysostom**, took place in A.D. 435 (*confer January 30 and November 13*).

**28<sup>th</sup>** – **Our Venerable Father, Ephrem, Prophet of Syrians** and an “instrument of Holy Spirit,” a great poet, orator, exegete, and defender of Orthodoxy. He died about A.D. 373, as a Deacon.

**29<sup>th</sup>** – **Translation of the Relics of St. Ignatius, the “GodBearer,”** Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Antioch. He was devoured by lions at Rome. His disciples carried his relics to Antioch into his Church in the year A.D. 109, in the reign of Trajan, the persecutor (*confer Dec 20*) — **SS. Roman, James, Philotheus, and St. Aphraates, Martyrs**.

**30<sup>th</sup>** – **Feast of the Three Holy Hierarchs; i.e., The Three Great Fathers of the Church; namely, St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory the Theologian, and St. John the Chrysostom.** — **St. Hippolytus**, Priest Martyr, Bishop of Porto. He was put to death by drowning, under Alexander Severus, Emperor.

**31<sup>st</sup>** – **SS. Cyrus and John, Wonderworkers and Unmercenarys;** i.e., Physicians without remuneration: suffered death with **Athanasia** and her three daughters: **Theodotia, Theopista and Eudokia**, in the year A.D. 292, in the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

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# +++ **PARISH INFORMATION AND IMPORTANT DATES** +++

**Due to the Coronavirus and Directives from our Bishop and Eparchy,  
Services will be livestream according to the bulletin. Please go to our website for the  
Livestream links <https://ourladyofwisdom.net>**

**UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS:** Mark your calendars and watch for further information:

- Starting February 1, we will not continue the second Divine Liturgy on Sunday, which has been at 12:30pm
- We need receptionist volunteers so we can keep the doors of our church open. Anyone who has one or two hours free Monday through Friday between 8:00am and 2:00pm, please let Fr. Milan know.
- February 2, Meeting our Lord with Simeon and Anna Divine Liturgy

**HOUSE BLESSING** – Make an appointment for your house blessing before January 15: House blessing season runs from Theophany (Jan. 6) until the day before the Great Fast (Feb. 14, 2021). Now is the time to book an appointment to have your house blessed.

**SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS LAMPS** — The Sanctuary and Triptychs Lamps are very special candles that remain perpetually lit to honor Our Lord Jesus' Eucharistic and Mystical Presence. If you are interested in sponsoring a vigil candle, the usual donation is \$10.00. Forms are in the back of the church. Please fill them out and, along with your donation, place in the collection basket or see Fr. Milan.

## **SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS INTENTIONS:**

**Nativity Triptych Joseph:**

**Resurrection Triptych John, Baptist:**

**Nativity Triptych Our Lady:**

**Resurrection Triptych Apostles:**

**Prodigal Son:**

**Saint John the Baptist, Forerunner:**

**Jesus Christ:** +*Donald Iglinski by Leona Iglinski*

**Theotokos:**

**St. Nicholas:** *Ron and Sharon Huntington*

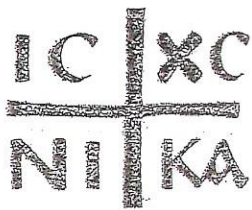
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## **THE HOLY PLACE**

The sanctuary and the altar have been, throughout the spiritual development of the Church, gradually hidden and separated—not by an ecclesiastical, bureaucratic mandate—but by the Christian sense of the sacred; by a real sense of the awesomeness of the mystery of God. St. John Chrysostom and all the Fathers constantly call the altar the “terrifying table,” and the mystery of the altar “terrifying mysteries,” “the terrifying sacrifice of the body and blood of Christ to which we have to approach with fear and trembling.” This is sacred terror and not fear of the unknown. It is a mystic trembling in the presence of heaven: “Take off your shoes,” said God, “for the place where you stand is holy.” (*cf Exodus 3:5*). The more secularized we become, the more our vision of the sacred and the holy becomes blurry and even blinded. The closing of doors and curtains is not setting apart the clergy as if in a special class, shutting off the People of God from participation. It is, rather, a forceful revelation that there is a mystery and that we cannot see or experience this mystery by physical contact. No human eyes or physical sight can penetrate or comprehend it. Only love and the surge of the soul on the wings of faith can meet the Lord and God of all. “I shall enter into Your dwelling place; before Your holy temple I shall bow in fear of You.” (*Psalm 5:7*)

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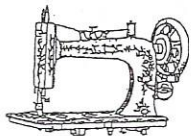
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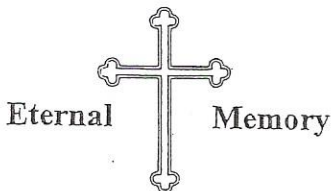
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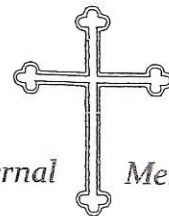


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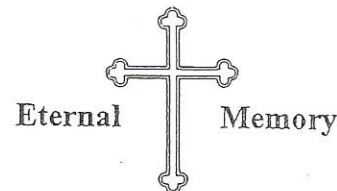
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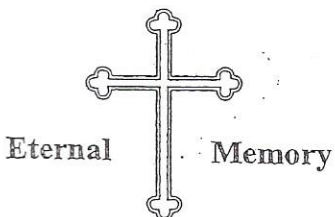
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