

+ 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

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# December 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### PARISH SERVED BY:

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### THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGIES:

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

### THIS WEEKDAY'S LITURGIES:

Monday, 5:30 PM – Divine Liturgy  
Tuesday, 11:00 AM – Divine Liturgy  
Wednesday, 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Thursday, 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Friday, 10:00 AM Royal Hours  
5:00 PM Christmas Vigil Divine Liturgy  
Saturday, 10:30 AM Christmas Divine Liturgy



Nativity of Jesus

### 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.**

## CHRIST IS AMONG US! HE IS AND ALWAYS WILL BE!

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** – Holy Martyr Sebastian & His Companions

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

*Intention: +Mary C Colt by Marylinne Colt*

Readings: Gal 3:8-12; Lk 13:18-29

**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>** – Sunday Before Christmas / Of The Ancestors

**10:00am** – Third Hour

**10:30am** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: Heb 11:9-10.17-23.32-40; Mt 1:1-25

**Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>** – St. Ignatius the ‘God Bearer’

**5:30pm** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: +Eddie Hein*

Readings: Heb 11:17-23.27-31; Mk 9:42-10:1

**Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>** – St. Juliana of Nicomedia, Virgin-Martyr

**11:00am** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: +Fr. Francis Vivona with Panachida*

Readings: Heb 12:25-26; 13:22-25; Mk 10:2-12

**Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** – St. Anastasia, Great Martyr

**11:00am** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: +Fr. Francis Vivona with Panachida*

Readings: James 1:1-18; Mk 10:11-16

**Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Holy Ten Martyrs of Crete

**11:00am** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: Alex Malakauskas*

Readings: James 1:19-27; Mk 10:17-27

**Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>** – Vigil of Christmas

**10:00am** – Royal Hours

**5:00pm** – Christmas Divine Liturgy Vigil with Anointing

*Intention: Maria Kasperekova with Family*

Readings: Heb 1:1-12; Lk 2:1-20

**Saturday, December 25<sup>th</sup>** – Birth of Our Lord God and Saviour, Jesus Christ

**10:30am** – Christmas Divine Liturgy with Anointing

*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

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

*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: Gal 4:4-7; Mk 2:1-12

**Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>** – Sunday after Christmas / Joseph the Betrothed;

David the King, and James, Apostle and Brother of God /  
Synaxis Of the Theotokos

**10:00am** – Third Hour

**10:30am** – Divine Liturgy *Intention: +Mary Marlene Santo with Panachida*

Readings: Gal 1:11-19; Heb 2:11-18; Mt 2:13-23

**18<sup>th</sup>** – **SS. Sebastian and His Companion** were put to death A.D. 292, during the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

**19<sup>th</sup>** – **St. Boniface, Martyr**, put to death A.D. 290, in the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

**20<sup>th</sup>** – **St. Ignatius, ‘God Bearer,’** Priest-Martyr, Bishop at Antioch.

**21<sup>st</sup>** – **St. Juliana, Virgin-Martyr** from Nicomedia, was beheaded A.D. 306, in the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

**22<sup>nd</sup>** – **St. Anastasia, Great Martyr**, was a famous Roman matron of noble birth, a spiritual pupil of St. Chrysogonus. She was imprisoned, tortured, and burned alive for the Faith A.D. 304, in the reign of the Emperor Diocletian.

**23<sup>rd</sup>** – **SS. Ten Martyrs at Crete**, suffered martyrdom under the Emperor Diocletian.

**24<sup>th</sup>** – **SS. Eugenia, Venerable Martyr**, and her two slaves, **Protus and Hyacinth**, by whom she was converted to Christianity. She was put to death in prison at Rome on Christmas Day, A.D. 257, in the reign of Valerian, Emperor.

**25<sup>th</sup>** – **The Birth of Our Lord, God and Saviour, Jesus Christ**. The Eastern Church accepted this great Feast Day from the Western Church in the 4<sup>th</sup> century.

**26<sup>th</sup>** – **Synaxis of the Theotokos and St. Joseph**, Her Spouse. The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt is commemorated this day. St. Joseph was the Foster-Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Beyond what we learn of him from Holy Scripture, the facts of his life are unknown to us. — **St. Euthymius, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Sardis in Lydia**. After repeated banishments for his opposition to the Iconoclasts, he was scourged to death A.D. 840, under the Emperor Theophilus.

Services will be Livestream according to the bulletin. Please go to our website for the Livestream links at <https://ourladyofwisdom.net>

The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix subscribes to the **Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People** adopted by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions, and programs, is committed to assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and young people that conforms to the Charter requirements. For information regarding the Eparchial Safe Environment Program, please contact:

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS: Mark your calendars and watch for further information:

- + December 18<sup>th</sup> – **Christmas Dinner Feast!** After Divine Liturgy, we will have a beautiful Christmas feast for the entire community! The to-go meals were BIG HIT, so please sign up if you would like a to-go meal! Please everyone bring a dish! We will have 3 turkeys and 3 hams! Lots of sides and deserts!
- + December 19<sup>th</sup> – **TYING OF STRAW** —Volunteers are needed to tie straw after Liturgy on Sunday. Please bring scissors.
- + December 20<sup>th</sup> – **MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS** may be brought to the Parish for the Holy Place. Please tape a card with your loved one's name under the plant and place before the Icon Screen.
- + December 21<sup>st</sup> – **Divine Liturgy with Panachida** for +Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis Vivona. Please come and pray
- + December 24<sup>th</sup> – **Christmas Dinner**; if you would like to help cook, please see Amy, Sarah or Maria
- + December 31<sup>st</sup> – **New Year's Eve celebration** in the Church starting with Vesper Divine Liturgy at 5:00pm
- + January 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Ordination of David Vonderohe** to Subdiaconate, please help to make this celebration beautiful

**CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE** – Non-perishable food and grocery items are now being collected to make up Christmas Dinner boxes. Please leave your donations under the St. Nicholas icon. If you know anyone who needs a food basket for Christmas, see Father Milan.

**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:**

**Theotokos:**

**St. Nicholas: *For Michael Angelo Arnot by Danielle Arnot***

**Good Shepard:**

<p><b>In Loving Memory</b> of <b>Our Papas</b></p> <p><b>Fr. Francis Vivona</b></p> <p>Founding Pastor of Our Lady of Wisdom Italo-Greek BCC</p>  <p><i>Memoria Eterna</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Fr. Stephen Casmus</b> <b>Karen Casmus</b> <b>Alicia Casmus</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>First Matriarch</b> <b>Vita Vivona</b></p> <p><b>George &amp; Margie</b> <b>Mauro</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>His Grace, Bishop</b> <b>Gerald Dino</b></p>  <p><i>Memoria Eterna</i></p>
<p><i>Servant of God</i></p> <p><b>Robert Handcox</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Mary Marlene</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Ben and Helen</b> <b>Zientek</b></p>  <p><i>Memoria Eterna</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Lorraine Plank</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>
<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Dolores, Howard,</b> <b>Michael, Jamie</b> <b>and Joseph</b> <b>St. George</b></p> 	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> <b>Rebecca</b> <b>Ellen</b> <b>Glantz</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> of <b>Cecilia Eliades</b></p> <p><b>Harry &amp; Anna Eliades</b></p> <p><b>Michael &amp; Marie</b> <b>Della Iacono</b></p>  <p><i>Memoria Eterna</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of</i></p>  <p><i>John and Margaret Lynott</i> <i>and</i> <i>Jacqueline Purches</i></p>
<p>*****</p> <p><b>In Loving Memory</b> of <b>WILLIAM GENE STONE</b> <b>M.D.</b></p>  <p>*****</p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory</i> <b>Carol Bistrek, RN</b></p>  <p><i>Eternal Memory</i></p>	<p><i>Las Vegas</i> <i>Athletic Clubs</i></p> <p><i>Belong!</i></p> <p>Present this ad for a free week Trial membership</p>	