

1ST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
February 26, 2023

Saturday, February 25th

5:00pm Vespertal Liturgy 1st Sunday of the Great Fast
Intention: Parishioners of Our Lady of Wisdom

Sunday, February 26th 1st Sunday of the Great Fast

10:10am Third Hour
10:30am Divine Liturgy
Intention: +Gary Atkin
Pot Luck following Liturgy

Monday, February 27th

6:00am Jesus Prayer

Tuesday, February 28th

6:00am Jesus Prayer

Wednesday, March 1st

6:00am Jesus Prayer

11:40am 9th Hour

12:00pm Helpers of St. Nicholas Homeless Ministry

Thursday, March 2nd

No service

Friday, March 3rd

7:00pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

Saturday, March 4th

11:00am 2nd All Souls Saturday

5:00pm Vespertal Liturgy 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast
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Sunday, March 5th 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast

9:30am Adult Education: Metropolitan Anthony Bloom's
Beginning to Pray
10:10am Third Hour
10:30am Divine Liturgy
Intention: +Joseph Richard Santo
Pot Luck following Liturgy
1:00pm Enquirers of Italo-Greek Orthodoxy

Confession is available before and after all services

25th – First and Second Finding of the Venerable Head of St. John, the Precursor. The First Finding was by two monks in the home of Herod, King. They brought the Head to the city Emmesia. The Second Finding was much later, during the reign of Emperor Marcianus A.D. 431.

26th – Our Holy Father Porphyry, Bishop of Gaza, sold his goods and distributed the proceeds to the poor. He died A.D. 420, during the reign of Emperor Theodosius the Younger. —St. Sebastian, renowned Roman Martyr. He was an officer in the Imperial Army and a favorite of Emperor Diocletian. Becoming a Christian, no mercy was shown him. He was made a target for the archers and, thus, died A.D. 288. **St. Photina,** of Samaria, Martyr. Tradition identifies her as the Samaritan woman with whom Jesus spoke at the well.

27th – Our Venerable Father, Procopius, Venerable Confessor and Monk of Decapolis, died about A.D. 740, during the reign of Emperor Leo III, the Isaurian.

28th – Our Venerable Father, Basil, Confessor and Co-Faster with St. Procopius. Famous for their resistance at Constantinople to the Decree of Leo III, the Isaurian, ordering the destruction of holy pictures. They died about 740. **Marina,** Cyra, and Domnicia, Venerable-Women. Mar

1st – St. Eudoxia, Venerable-Martyr. At first, she led a profligate life but was baptized by Theodotus, Bishop. Arrested, she was beheaded for her Christianity about A.D. 107, during the leadership of Diogenes, in the reign of Trajan, Emperor.

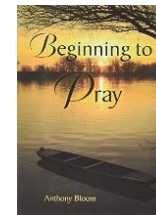
2nd – St. Thodotus, Priest-Martyr Bishop of Cyrene, on the Island of Cyprus, was imprisoned, tortured for the Faith under Diocletian, Emperor. He survived and died peacefully A.D. 325.

3rd – St. Eutropius and his bodyguards, **SS. Cleonicus and Basiliscus,** Martyrs. They suffered martyrdom A.D. 296, in the reign of Diocletian the Emperor.

4th – Our Venerable Father, Gerasimus, a Hermit, founded a monastery on the bank of the River Jordan. In his youth, a follower of the heretic Eutyches, he did severe penance the rest of his life. Died A.D. 475. — **SS. Paul** and his sister **Juliana,** Martyrs, sent to their reward A.D. 275, in the reign of Aurelian, Emperor.

TEACHING – Join Fr. Nathan in the Hall at 1:00pm each Sunday for “Enquirers of Italo-Greek Orthodoxy” teaching sessions.

BLESSING OF HOMES – If you would like your home blessed, please contact Fr. Nathan.



Great Fast 2023 Adult Education: We will cover the incredible work on prayer by Metropolitan Anthony Bloom. Don't be fooled by the name, it will challenge all levels of spiritual development. Study is each Sunday at 9:30am in the parish hall. If you would like to join us, please purchase the book. Amazon has plenty of very cheap copies.

PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY will be celebrated Friday, March 3rd at 7:00pm.

2nd ALL SOULS LITURGY will be celebrated Saturday, March 4th at 11:00am.

PANACHIDA – Panachidas will be scheduled only on weekday's and if necessary, Saturday morning liturgies.

RUMMAGE SALE – The parish will be holding a rummage Sale on Saturday, March 25th and Sunday, March 26th. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to the Parish Hall. Volunteers are needed to sort, organize and set up the items and also to work the weekend of the sale. Please contact Karen St. George or Cheryl Rosales to volunteer and if you have any questions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our parishioners who celebrate birthdays this week: Maria Brotman, February 27.
God Grant You Many Happy Blessed Years!

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