

3rd SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST ~ VENRATION OF THE CROSS
March 12, 2023

Saturday, March 11th

11:00am 3rd All Souls Saturday Divine Liturgy

4:30pm Akathist

5:00pm Vespertal Liturgy 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast

Intention: Parishioners of Our Lady of Wisdom

Sunday, March 12th 3rd 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: Michael Spencer+

Pot Luck following Liturgy

1:00pm Enquirers of Italo-Greek Orthodoxy

Monday, March 13th

6:00am Jesus Prayer

Tuesday, March 14th

6:00am Jesus Prayer

Wednesday, March 15th

6:00am Jesus Prayer

11:30 am 6th Hour

12:00pm Helpers of St. Nicholas Homeless Ministry

7:00pm Presanctified Liturgy Intention: Ashley Ritchey+

Thursday, March 16th

7:30am 6th Hour

4:00pm Vespers

Friday, March 17th

7:30am 6th Hour

5:00pm Presanctified Liturgy Intention: Gary Atkin+

Saturday, March 18th

11:00am 2nd All Souls Saturday

4:30pm Akathist

5:00pm Vespertal Liturgy 4th Sunday of the Great Fast

Intention: Parishioners of Our Lady of Wisdom

Sunday, March 19th 4th 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: John Lynott+

Pot Luck following Liturgy

1:00pm Enquirers of Italo-Greek Orthodoxy

Confession is available before and after all services

11th - Our Holy Father, **Sophronius**, Patriarch of Jerusalem, died A.D. 638, in the reign of Heraclius the Emperor. He revised the prominent Church Book called the "Mineia," and also composed the prayer for the solemn blessing of the water on the Feast of the Epiphany.

12th - Our Venerable Father and Confessor, **Theophane** of Syngria, was banished by the Emperor Leo the Armenian, for his stand against the Iconoclasts at the Second Council of Nicea, A.D. 787. Died in exile A.D. 818, bound and starved to death. — Our Holy Father, **Gregory the Great**, Dialogus, Pope of Rome, who probably composed the Liturgy of the Presanctified for the Eastern Churches. He died A.D. 604, in the reign of Emperor Phocas.

13th - **Translation of Relics of our Father, Nicephor**, Patriarch of Constantinople. He defended the practice of the Veneration of Icons in the persecution of Leo the Armenian. He died in the 15th year of his exile, A.D. 771, in the reign of Constantine V Copronymus, Emperor.

14th - Our Venerable Father, **Benedict**, Abbot. He founded, in Italy in the 6th century, the Benedictine Order based on the rules of St. Basil the Great, hence merited the title of "Patriarch of the Western Monks." Died A.D. 543. **St. Alexander** of Pidna, Priest-Martyr, suffered and died in Thrace A.D. 272, in the reign of Aurelian, Emperor.

15th - St. Agapius, Martyr, and with him six others. **Timolaus, two Alexanders, Romel, two Dionisii**. These were put to death A.D. 290, in the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

16th - **SS. Sabinus and Papas**, Martyrs, Egyptians, were thrown into the River Nile A.D. 296, in the persecution under Diocletian. **St. Julian**, Martyr, died A.D. 298, in the reign of Maximian, Emperor. **St. Alexander**, PriestMartyr, Pope of Rome, passed away about A.D. 119, under Hadrian, Emperor.

17th - Our Venerable Father, **Alexis**, man of God, was the only son of a Roman Senator; died A.D. 404. Pope Innocent I and the Emperor Honorius are said to have been present at his burial.

18th - Our Holy Father, **Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem**. His "Catechetical Instruction," given to the Catechumens on the elements of the Faith are among the most precious documents of Catholic teaching. He was named by Pope Leo XII among the Doctors of the Church. He died A.D. 386, in the reign of Theodosius, Emperor. **SS. Alexandra, Claudia, Evphrasia**, and other Martyrs, who suffered death in Missena A.D. 237, during the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

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

PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY will be celebrated Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00pm and on Friday, March 17th at 5:00pm.

4th ALL SOULS LITURGY will be celebrated Saturday, March 18th at 11:00am.

2023 EPARCHIAL APPEAL - The annual Eparchial Appeal runs from February 1 to August 31. The pledge form and information for the appeal was mailed directly from the Bishop's office to your home. This year, our parish goal is \$26,259.92. Please submit your Appeal form as soon as possible and help us to reach not only our financial goal, but also our goal of 100% participation. *May we continue to be blessed with your generous support!*

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: Mark Kelso, March 15. *God Grant You Many Happy Blessed Years!*

The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions and programs, is committed to assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and vulnerable adults that conforms to the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. For additional information regarding the eparchial Safe Environment Program or to report any incidents or concerns, please contact:

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Weekly Collection: Tithing \$2,215.00; Building Maint \$55.00; Candles \$106.00; Poor Box \$108.00

