

*Parish established in 1991 - Church blessed in October, 1997*

# OUR LADY OF WISDOM BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00am - 4:30pm

## DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### Parish Served By:

Rt. Rev. Archimadrite Francis M. Vivona, S.T.M., J.C.L., Pastor

Rev. Archdeacon Stephen E. Casmus, M.A.

Rev. Subdeacon Paul F. Kilroy

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Kehaulani Harker, Matriarch – William Griffith, Patriarch

Toni Ritchey, Secretary – Claire Lynott, Finance Officer

Donna Logan, Prayer Line Coordinator (873-2378)



Our Lady of Guadalupe

### Liturgies and Services:

Vesper Divine Liturgy: Saturday, 5:00 PM

Third Hour – Sunday: 10:00 AM

Divine Liturgy – Sunday 10:30 AM

Third Hour – Monday-Friday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: 15 minutes before each Liturgy or by appointment

### 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.**

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, Dec 7 – St. Ambrose, Archbishop**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

**5:00pm - Divine Liturgy +Deceased members of the Sacino Family**

Readings: Eph 2:11-13; Lk 13:18-29

**Sunday, Dec 8 – 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Maternity of the Holy Anna**

**10:00am - Third Hour**

**10:30am - Divine Liturgy +Richard and JoAnn DeFranco**

Readings: Col 3:12-16; Gal 4:22-31; Lk 17:12-19; Lk 8:16-21

**Monday, Dec 9 – St. Patapius, Venerable**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

Readings: Heb 8:7-13; Mk 8:11-21

**Tuesday, Dec 10 – St. Mennas and Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

Readings: Heb 9:8-10.15-23; Mk 8:22-26

**Wednesday, Dec 11- Daniel the Stylite, Venerable**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

Readings: Heb 10:1-18, Mk 8:30-34

**Thursday, Dec 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

**7:00pm - Divine Liturgy +Paul and Agatha Franeta**

Readings: Heb 9:1-7; Lk 1:39-56

**Friday, Dec 13 – St. Eustratius and Others, Martyrs / St. Lucy**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

**11:00am - Liturgy +Bill Anderson**

Readings: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 21:12-19

**Saturday, Dec 14 – St. Thyrus and Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am - Third Hour**

**5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy +Ida Griffith**

Readings: Eph 5:1-8; Lk 14:1-11

**Sunday, Dec 15 – Sunday of the Forefathers**

**10:00am - Third Hour**

**10:30am - Divine Liturgy +Most Rev George Kuzma**

Readings: Col 3:4-11; Lk 14:16-24

Our Holy Father, **Ambrose**, Archbishop of Milan, is one of the four great Doctors of the Western Church. He is a great exegete and orator, by whom St. Augustine was converted and baptized. He died A.D. 387.

**Maternity of St. Anna.** The Eastern Church has been celebrating this feast since the 6<sup>th</sup> century to commemorate the conception of the Theotokos by St. Anna. The dogma of the Immaculate Conception (i.e., the preservation from the stain of the original sin) was declared A.D. 1854.

Our Venerable Father, **Patapius**, was born in Thebes, Egypt. He lived as a Hermit in the suburbs of Constantinople.

**SS. Mennas, Hermogenes and Eugephus**, Martyrs, were tortured and beheaded during the reign of Maximian and Diocletian, Emperors, A.D. 304, for spreading Christianity in Egypt.

Our Venerable Father, **Daniel**, Stylite, imitating St. Simeon in the mode of austere life, he spent 30 years on his pillar, miraculously healing many sick people. He died A.D. 492 at the age of 80.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe.** Our Venerable Father, **Spiridion**, Wonderworker, Bishop of Tremyfia. In the persecution under Galerius, Emperor, Spiridion, with many other Christians, was condemned to lose an eye and to slave in the mines. He lived as late as A.D. 347.

**SS. Eustratius, Auxentius, Eugene, Mardarius, and Orestes**, Martyrs, suffered martyrdom A.D. 302 at Sebaste in Armenia, under the reign of Diocletian, Emperor. **St. Lucy**, Virgin-Martyr, endured shameful tortures and indignities. Finally, a sword was thrust through her throat A.D. 304 at Syracuse, under the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

**SS. Thyrsus, Leucius, Philemon, Appolonius, Arianus, and Callinicus**, Martyrs, suffered under the reign of Emperor Diocletian about A.D. 303.

**St. Eleutherius**, Priest-Martyr, endured death A.D. 120 in the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. Our Venerable Father, **Paul of Latra**, was a holy hermit in Greece, about A.D. 880, in the reign of Basil Macedo, Emperor. **Father, Stephen**, Confessor, Abbot of Sodrozh.

## THE CONCEPTION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS BY ST. ANNA

St. Anna, the mother of the Virgin Mary, was the youngest daughter of the Priest Nathan from Bethlehem, descended from the tribe of Levi. She married St. Joachim, who was a native of Galilee. In accordance with the eternal purpose of God, Who willed to prepare a most pure habitation of Himself, in order to take flesh and dwell among men, for a long time St. Anna was childless. After 20 years, through the fervent prayer of both spouses, an Angel of the Lord announced to them the conception of a daughter, who would bring blessing to all the human race. The conception of St. Anna took place at Jerusalem, where also was born the Most Holy Virgin, Mary by name.

## ++++ *Parish Information and Important Dates* +++++

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION** will be taken at both Liturgies this weekend. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!!

**MEMORIA ETERNA** – Mrs. Martha Edna Sena, mother in law of the Architect of our church, fell asleep in the Lord this past week. Please remember her in your prayers.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**ST. LUCY** Divine Liturgy and anointing of eyes will be celebrated on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am.

**TYING OF STRAW** – volunteers are need for the tying the straw. If you can help, please bring your scissors and meet in the parish hall on Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, before and after Royal hours.

**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.

## +++ *Christmas Celebrations And Information* +++

**ROYAL HOURS AND CONFESSIONS** will be on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, at 4:00pm and Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00pm,


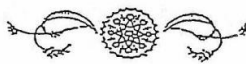
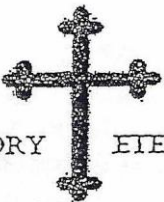

**VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS LITURGY** will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:00pm.

**CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30pm. **Royal Hours** is at 10:00am.

**SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN, PROTOMARTYR** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated Friday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.



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