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OUR LADY OF WISDOM BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

March 8th & 9th, 2014

Parish Served By:

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

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Toni Ritchey, Secretary – Claire Lynott, Finance Officer

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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



The Great Martyr Theodore

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, March 8 – Commemoration of the Miracle of the Great Martyr Theodore

9:00am - Third Hour

5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy +Dmytro Drechsler

Kutia after Liturgy

Readings: Heb 1:1-12; Mk 2:23-3:5

Sunday, March 9 – 1st Sunday of Great Fast/Forty Holy Martyrs of Sebaste

10:00am - Third Hour

Procession of Icons

10:30am - Divine Liturgy +Clare Seifert

12:00pm - Baptism of New Icons

Readings: Heb 11:24-26.32-12:2; Jn 1:43-51

Monday, March 10 – St. Codratus and Others, Martyrs

9:00am - Third Hour

5:30pm - Soup Supper

7:00pm - Teaching

Reading: Gen 3:21-4:7; Prov 3:34-4:22

Tuesday, March 11 – St. Sophronius, Patriarch of Jerusalem

9:00am - Third Hour

Readings: Gen 4:8-15; Prov 5:1-15

Wednesday, March 12 – St. Theophane, Venerable Confessor

9:00am - Third Hour

7:00pm - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts +Pat Hopkins

Readings: Gen 4:16:26; Prov 5:15-6:3

Thursday, March 13 – Translation of the Relics of Nicephorus, Patriarch

9:00am - Third Hour

Readings: Gen 5:1-24; Prov 6:3-20

Friday, March 14 – St. Benedict, Venerable

9:00am - Third Hour

7:00pm - Scripture Teaching

Readings: Gen 5:32-6:8; Prov 6:20-7:1

Saturday, March 15 – 2nd All Souls Saturday

9:00am - Third Hour

Readings: 1 Thess 4:13-17; Jn 5:24-30

5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy +Pat Daly

Readings: Heb 3:12-16; Mk 1:35-45

Sunday, March 16 – 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy +Melvin Schnider

Readings: Heb 1:10-2:3; Mk 2:1-12

Our Venerable Father and Confessor, **Theophylact**, Bishop of Nicomedia, was a disciple of Tharadius. He defended the veneration of Icons and Statues of Saints. Died in 30 years exile, A.D. 845, in the reign of Emperor Michael III.

SS. Forty Martyrs at Sebaste in Armenia, were exposed naked on a frozen pond until death, by the power of Licinius A.D. 320.

SS. Codratus and Companions, Cyprian, Anectus, and Criscent, died A.D. 257, after years in prison under Valerian, Emperor.

Under 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 "Minea" and also composed the prayer for the solemn blessing of the water on the Feast of the Epiphany.

Our Venerable Father and Confessor, **Theophan** 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. He 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 Church of the Eastern Rites. He died A.D. 604, in the reign of Emperor Phocas.

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.

Our Venerable Father, **Benedict**, Abbot. He founded, in Italy in the sixth 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.

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

SS. Sabinus and Pappas, 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**, Priest-Martyr, Pope of Rome, passed away about A.D. 119, under Hadrian, Emperor.

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.

ST. CAESARIUS THE PHYSICIAN

St. Caesarius was a brother of **St. Gregory the Theologian** and physician at the Imperial Court of Constantinople, under Emperor Julian the Apostate, who endeavored unsuccessfully to lure St. Caesarius back to paganism. The Saint, however, remained a catechumen nearly all his life and was baptized only after a narrow escape from death in an earthquake at Nicaea in Bithynia. We owe all these details to the unreal oration delivered by his brother, St. Gregory.

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

SOUP SUPPERS - Please join us for Soup Supper each Monday beginning March 10th, at 5:30pm, in the Parish Hall during the Great Fast. We will provide the soup and you, please bring bread to share! After each Soup Supper, at 7:00PM, Ms. Rose Watkins will be teaching on the Tradition of Fasting.

GREAT FAST TEACHING – Teaching from Scripture on the Lives of the Apostle will be held each Friday during the Great Fast at 7:00pm, beginning on March 14th.

REMINDER -The Church asks each of us to go to Confession and Holy Eucharist at least once during Pascha (Easter) each year to stay in communion with the Church.

BISHOP'S APPEAL has begun!!! This year's Parish goal is \$14, 800.00. The Eparchy is asking for a sacrificial offering of \$200.00 per household. The parish will receive a percentage of all the monies collected over our Parish goal. This money will become part of our new ECF building fund. It is also our Parish goal to obtain 100% from our parishioners. The Bishop's Appeal ends on May 31, 2014. May God bless your generous sacrifice.

THE LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS is the fulfillment of God's promise of manna during our forty-day wandering through the desert of the Great Fast. As the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John, the Theologian, wrote (John 6:32), "Jesus said to them, 'Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave bread from heaven; My Father gives you the true bread from heaven.'" The strengthening and perfectly nourishing gifts of the Eucharist are offered at the Presanctified Liturgy, one of the most beautiful and unique liturgical expressions of our Byzantine Church.

The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is composed of three clearly distinguishable parts: Vespers; Liturgy of the Word; and Holy Communion. As the name suggests, the Eucharistic Gifts are presanctified or consecrated beforehand, usually at the preceding Sunday's Divine Liturgy. This means that there is no Anaphora (i.e., Great Eucharistic Prayer of Offering), but Holy Communion is distributed in the form of consecrated bread placed in ordinary wine.

Sunday, March 16, 2014 is the Sunday you are welcome to come and place a particle of bread on the Discos in the middle of the Church.

Sunday, March 23, 2014 – Please bring a loaf of sliced bread with sliced cheese or bologna to provide a bagged lunch for the homeless. Please make time to stay after the Liturgy to make sandwiches to feed Christ Himself.



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