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# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

# November 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### **Parish Served By:**

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

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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 and Communion – Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Fri: 9:00 AM

Confessions: 15 minutes before each Liturgy or by appointment



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### **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, November 15 – St. Gurias, Samonas and Habib, Martyrs**  
**5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy** *Living Intention Barbara Cosio*  
Readings: 2 Cor 8:1-5; Lk 9:37-43.17:1-4

**Sunday, November 16 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:00am - Third Hour**  
**10:30am - Divine Liturgy** +*Milton Buttle (Chrismation & Communion during Liturgy for Olivia Grace SisteK)*  
Readings: Eph 2:4-10; Lk 10:25-37

**Monday, November 17 – St. Gregory, Wonderworker**  
**9:00am - Third Hour**  
Reading: 1 Thess 2:20-3:8; Lk 14:1.12-15  
Readings for St. Gregory: 1 Cor 12:7-11; Mt 10:1.5-8

**Tuesday, November 18 – St. Plato and Roman, Martyrs**  
**9:00am - Third Hour**  
Readings: 1 Thess 3:9-13; Lk 14:25-35

**Wednesday, November 19 – St. Obadiah, Prophet**  
Readings: 1 Thess 4:1-12; Lk 15:1-10

**Thursday, November 20 – St. Gregory the Decapolite, Venerable**  
**9:00am - Third Hour**  
**7:00pm - Vigil Liturgy Entrance of the Theotokos**  
*Living Intention: Persecuted Christians and Priest*  
Readings: 1 Thess 5:1-8; Lk 16:1-9

**Friday, November 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos**  
**9:00am - Third Hour**  
**11:00 - Divine Liturgy Entrance of the Theotokos** +*Pat Daly*  
Readings: Heb 9:1-7; Lk 10:38-42;11:27-28

**Saturday, November 22 – St. Philemon and Others, Apostles**  
**5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy** *Living Intention: Barbara Mlinac*  
Readings: 2 Cor 11:1-6; Lk 9:57-62  
Readings for the Apostle: Phil 1-25; Lk 10:1-15

**Sunday, November 23 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:00am - Third Hour**  
**10:30am - Divine Liturgy** *Living Intention Gail Kats*  
Readings: Eph 2:14-22; Lk 12:16-21

**SS. Gurias, Samonas and Habib, Martyrs**, at Edessa in Syria, were beheaded A.D. 299, under Emperor Diocletian.

**St. Matthew**, Apostle and Evangelist. His early Apostolic work was concerned with the Jews for whom he wrote his First Gospel in their own Aramaic tongue. He was martyred in Africa by fire.

Our Holy Father, **Gregory, “Taumaturgus,”** i.e., Wonderworker, Bishop in Neocaesarea: died A.D. 270, in the reign of Emperor Aurealin. Tradition states that he was instructed concerning the Holy Trinity by the Theotokos and St. John the Evangelist.

**SS. Plato and Roman, Martyrs**; the former suffered death A.D. 296; the latter A.D. 304.

**St. Obadiah**, Prophet, is one of the Twelve Minor Prophets, having lived in the ninth century B.C. **St. Barlam**, Martyr, was a pious peasant, who was imprisoned and tortured for the Faith at Antioch A.D. 304, in the persecution under Diocletian and Galerius, Emperors.

Our Venerable Father, **Gregory** of Decapolis, suffered much in the Iconoclastic persecution under the Emperor Leo the Armenian. Our Holy Father, **Proclus**, Archbishop of Constantinople, was a disciple of St. John Chrysostom. He died A.D. 446, in the reign of Theodosius the Younger, Emperor.

**Presentation in the Temple of the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary.** (This Feast was introduced in Constantinople about the year A.D. 700).

**SS. Philemon and Others with him.** Apostles, were disciples of St. Paul the Apostle, suffered martyrdom A.D. 68, under the Emperor Nero. **St. Caecilia**, one of the most famous Virgin Martyrs; she converted to Christianity her betrothed and his brother. She was seized and suffocated with the steam of a heat bath in her own mansion. She died probably in the reign of Septimus Severus, Emperor.

### PROPHET OBADIAH

Obadiah is the fourth of the Twelve Minor Prophets. He came from the village of Betharam, near Sichem, and served as steward of the impious Israelite King Ahab. In those days, the whole of Israel had turned away from the true God and had begun to offer sacrifice to Baal. When Ahab's wife, the impious and dissolute Jezebel, hunted down all the Prophets of the Lord, Obadiah gave them shelter and food.

When Ahab's successor, King Ahaziah, sent three detachments of soldiers to arrest the Holy Prophet, Elias, one of these detachments was headed by Obadiah. Through the prayer of St. Elias, two of the detachments were consumed by heavenly fire, but Obadiah and his detachment were spared by the Lord. From that moment, Obadiah resigned from military service and became a follower of the Prophet Elias. Afterwards, he, himself received the gift of prophecy. The God-inspired work of Obadiah is the fourth of the Books of the Twelve Minor Prophets in the Bible and contains predictions about the New Testament Church.

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

**ROSE TEDESCO**, an original member of our parish, fell asleep in the Lord on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Eternal Memory

**THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS** – Our parish will again be making food baskets for families in need. If possible, please donate non-perishable food items and place them in front of the St. Nicholas Icon in the Church. Thank you and God Bless You!!

**PHILLIPS' FAST - Anointing for the Fast will be this weekend, November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**PHILLIP'S FAST TEACHING** on Friday nights will be on the "Meaning of Suffering" taken from the Scriptures and from the Church Fathers.

**FEAST OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD** will be celebrated on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm. Coffee and cake will follow.

**ENTRANCE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD** Liturgy will be celebrated on Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00am.

**VIGIL DIVINE LITURGY FOR THANKSGIVING** will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**ST. NICHOLAS VESPERS** will be celebrated on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm, with a pot luck following. Please bring a covered dish to share.

**ST. NICHOLAS** – The St. Nicholas celebrations are fast approaching. If you would like to volunteer some of your time and/or talents, please see Fr. Francis.

**BAKED GOODS** are needed for the St. Nicholas Festival. All homemade baked goods are welcome! Please package them so they are ready to be sold at our Bake Sale on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. All baked goods should be in the Parish Hall on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**CANDY** – Lots of candy is needed for our upcoming Saint Nicholas Celebration. Please pick up a bag or two as a donation to the church. Please drop off the candy in front of the St. Nicholas Icon before Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.



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