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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

February 7th & February 8th, 2015

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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



Saint Blaise of Sebaste

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, February 7 – 1st All Souls Saturday

11:00am - Liturgy +Ignacio and Carid +All Souls

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

5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy: +Deceased of the Quail Family

Readings: 1 Cor 10:23-28; Lk 21:8-9.25-27.33-36

Sunday, February 8 – Sunday of Meat Fare

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy: +Deceased All Souls

Readings: 1 Cor 8:8-9:2; Mt 25:31-46

Monday, February 9 – St. Nicephorus, Martyr

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Reading: 3 Jn 1-15; Lk 19-29-40.22:7-39

Tuesday, February 10 – St. Charalampus, Martyr

7:00pm - Vigil Liturgy +Deceased members of Scarpinito Family

Readings: Jude 1-10; Lk 22:39-42.45-23:1

Wednesday, February 11 – St. Blasé, Bishop Martyr

11:00am - Divine Liturgy Living Intention of Del Rosario Family

Readings: 2 Peter 2:9-22; Mk 13:14-23

Readings for 6th Hour: Joel 2:12-26; Joel 4:12-21

Thursday, February 12 – St. Meletius, Archbishop

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: Jude 11-25; Lk 23:1-34.44-56

Friday, February 13 – St. Martinian, Venerable

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: Zech 8:7-17; Zech 8:19-23

**Saturday, February 14 – All Holy Ascetical Fathers and Mothers
Death of Cyril Apostle of the Slavs**

5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy +All Deceased Souls and Frank Cali

Readings: Rom 14:19-23.16:25-27; Mt 6:1-13

Readings for Holy Ascetics: Gal 5:22-6:2; Mt 11:27-30

Sunday, February 15 – Sunday of Cheesefare

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy +Norman Main

4:00pm - Meatless Pot Luck for the Beginning of the Great Fast

5:00pm - Forgiveness Vespers

Readings: Rom 13:11-14:4; Mt 6:14-21

Our Venerable Father, **Parthenius**, Bishop of Lampsachia, died A.D. 318, during the reign of Emperor Constantine the Great - Our Venerable Father, **Luke**, who was in Helladia of Syria.

St. Theodore, the Great Martyr, was a general in the army of the Emperor Licinius. He suffered death at Heraclea in Thrace A.D. 318. **St. Zacharias**, the Prophet, was one of the tribe of Levi 520 B.C.

St. Nicephorus, Martyr, a Syrian Christian, took the place of Sapricius, who apostatized before a heathen judge and was put to death A.D. 260, during the reign of Emperor Valerian.

St. Charalampus, Martyr, endured death by the sword A.D. 203, at Magnesia in Asia Minor, in the hegemony of Lucinianus, in the reign of Emperor Septimius Severus.

St. Blasé, Bishop-Martyr, suffered martyrdom A.D. 316 at Sebaste, by beheading during the hegemony of Licinius, in the reign of Constantine the Great, Emperor.

Our Holy Father, **Meletius**, Archbishop of Great Antioch, was elected to the Patriarchal See in A.D. 360, but within a month, he was sent into exile by the Emperor Constantius. Reinstated in 378, he held a council of 150 Bishops and took prominent part in the Council of Constantinople A.D. 38, in the reign of Theodosius the Great. **St. Marina**, Virgin, in male attire, lived in the monastery to the year A.D. 440.

Our Venerable Father, **Martinian**, Hegumen, died in the year A.D. 415, in the reign of Theodosius the Younger. **St. Zoe** and **St. Photina**, Venerable Women.

The death of our Venerable Father, **Cyril, Bishop of Catania**, the brother of St. Methodius. Apostle of the Slavs and Bulgarians. The old Slavic alphabet ("Cyrillic") is ascribed to him, who, with his brother, translated many church books from the Greek into the Slavonic language. He died A.D. 869 in Rome.

Our Venerable Father, **Auxentius**, Hegumen, was a soldier in the bodyguard of the Emperor Theodosius the Younger. He defended the Catholic Faith at the time of the Council of Chalcedon A.D. 451. He died soon after.

ST. THEODORA THE EMPRESS

St. Theodora was the wife of the Byzantine Emperor Theophilus the Iconoclast. After the death of Theophilus, Theodora became the ruling Empress and reigned together with her son Michael III. In 842, during a Council in Constantinople under the Patriarch **St. Methodius**, she restored the Veneration of the Holy Icons. On this occasion, the Feast of the Triumph of Orthodoxy was instituted, which is still celebrated today on the First Sunday of the Great Fast.

In 856, as a result of the slanders of her brother Caesar Bardas, she was imprisoned by her son, the Emperor Michael, in the Gatria Monastery. Here she reposed in peace in 867. Her body was discovered to be **incorrupt** and today it is to be found in the church of Holy Theotokos "The Cave Dweller," in Corfu, Greece (except her holy head, which has been lost).

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

MEMORY ETERNAL: Mrs. Mary Marlene Santos fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, January 30, 2015.

FEAST OF SAINT BLASÉ Vigil Divine Liturgy with blessing of throats will be held on Tuesday, February 10th, at 7:00pm.

FEAST OF SAINT BLASÉ Divine Liturgy with blessing of throats will be held on Wednesday, February 11th, at 11:00am.

FORGIVENESS SUNDAY POTLUCK – On Sunday, February 15th, at 4:00pm; please make every effort to attend the pot luck to celebrate the beginning of the Great Fast. Please bring a **meatless** dish to share with our parish family.

FORGIVENESS SUNDAY VESPER LITURGY will follow the potluck beginning at 5:00pm.

GREAT FAST SOUP SUPPERS will be on Mondays; February 23 through March 23 at 6:30pm. This year Fr. Francis will be teaching Canon Law that applies to parish life of the Italo-Greek Church.

LAMB ROAST RESURRECTION DINNER will be on Sunday, April 12th. Donation for tickets is only \$25.00 per person, including one beverage. Please see SubDeacon Paul for tickets.

HELPING THE HOMELESS – Our Parish will be making sandwiches for the homeless. If possible, please donate bologna, bread, and cheese slices and bring them to the Hall on February 14th and 15th. Sandwiches will be made and distributed after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, February 22nd. Please make time to help.

HELPING THE HOMELESS – If possible, please donate toiletries for backpacks for the homeless and bring them to the Hall on Sunday March 8th. The following Sunday, March 15th, we will be filling the backpacks after the Divine Liturgy and volunteers are needed.

MONASTERY DAY OF RECOLLECTION for Our Lady of Wisdom will be on Saturday, September 5th, at the St. Anthony Monastery, meals and retreat master are included. If you are interested in going, please drop a note in the collection basket addressed to Father Francis, which will reserve your spot.

MYRRH-BEARER EPARCHIAL RETREAT for women will be June 26, 27, and 28, 2015. The retreat will be in Phoenix. Start saving now if you wish to attend; meals are included. Please see Father Francis for details.

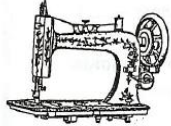
BYZANTINE QUESTION BOX – We have placed a “Question Box” in the back of the church. If you have any questions concerning the Liturgy, Byzantine Traditions, or Customs or our Church, please write them on the index card provided, put into the box and, time permitting, Father will answer them before or after Liturgy.

BISHOP'S APPEAL HAS BEGUN!! As is done each year, we are asked to participate in the Bishop's Appeal. I ask that you prayerfully consider your pledge that you give to the Bishop for the Work of the Eparchy. Please remember that this is a parishioner obligation and the recommended sacrificial pledge is \$200.00 per household, which can be paid in monthly installments until May 31, 2015. God Bless You!



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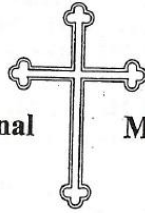
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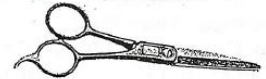


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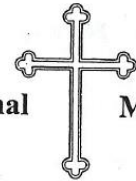
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