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OUR LADY OF WISDOM

ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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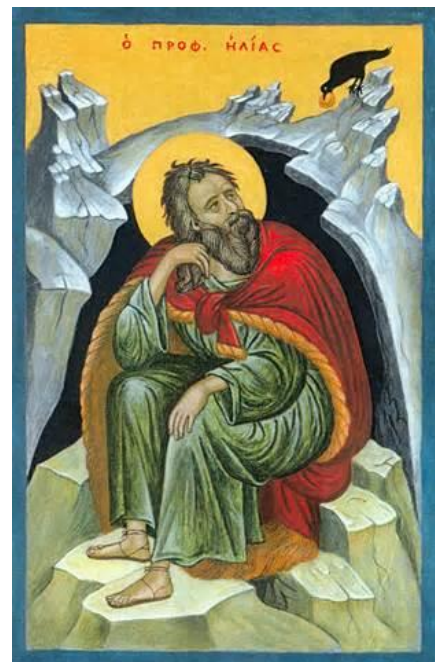
July 18th & 19th, 2015

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



The Prophet Elijah

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, July 18 – Hyacinth and Emilian

5:00pm - Divine Liturgy +Bernice Bartish

Readings: Rom 13:1-10; Mt 12:30-37

Sunday, July 19 – Sunday of the Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy +William Lauerty

Readings: 1 Cor 1:10-18; Mt 14:14-22

Readings of the Fathers: Heb 13:7-16; Jn 17:1-13

Monday, July 20 – Elijah, Great Prophet

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

11:00am - Divine Liturgy: +John and Margaret Melnik

7:00pm - Divine Liturgy: +Sr. Marie Holt

Reading: James 5:10-20; Lk 4:22-30

Tuesday, July 21 – Simeon and John, Venerables

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: 1 Cor 12:12-26; Mt 18:18-22.19:1-2.13-15

Wednesday, July 22 – Mary Magdalene, Equal to the Apostles

7:00pm - Divine Liturgy: +Gary Nelson

Readings: 1 Cor 13:4-14:5; Mt 20:1-16

Readings for St. Mary Magdalene: 1 Cor 9:2-12; Jn 20:11-18

Thursday, July 23 – Trophimus and Others, Martyrs

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: 1 Cor 14:6-19; Mt 20:17-28

Friday, July 24 – Boris and Gleb, Martyrs

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: Rom 8:28-39; Jn 15:17-16:2

Saturday, July 25 – Dormition of Anna

5:00pm - Divine Liturgy: +Margaret Ruthkowski

Readings: Rom 14:6-9; Mt 15:32-39

Readings for St. Anna: Gal 4:22-31; Lk 8:16-21

Sunday, July 26 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy: +Robert and Rose Nelson

Readings: 1 Cor 3:9-17; Mt 14:22-34

SS. Hyacinth and Aemilian, Martyrs. Hyacinth of Amastris in Paphlogonia, died in prison of wounds received from torture. Aemilian was a Christian of Dorostrium on the Danube (Silitria). He was burned to death under Emperor Julian the Apostate A.D. 362.

Our Venerable Mother, **Macrina**, sister of St. Basil, at an early age, in the reign of Emperor Gratianus, consecrated herself to the service of God. She helped to educate her brothers, was instrumental in founding several Religious houses, and presided as Hegumena-Abbess over one of these. She died in the same year as her brother, St. Basil the Great, A.D. 379, and was buried in the grave of her mother, **St. Eumelia**, in the church of the Forty Martyrs in Caesarea. Our Venerable Father, **Dius**, flourished during the reign of Theodosius the Great, Emperor.

Saint Elijah of Thesbite, Glorious Prophet, about 850 B.C., raised up in the Kingdom of Israel of the stock of Aaron, to reprove the ten fallen Tribes.

Our Venerable Father, **Simeon**, surnamed Salus (fool) and John, his co-faster, Hermits. Simeon lived as a hermit in a desert for nearly 30 years near the Red Sea, but afterwards, at Emesus in Syria. **St. Ezechiel**, the Third of the Four Greater Prophets and writer of a canonical Book of Scriptures. Tradition says he was put to death while in captivity in Babylon by one of the Jewish Headmen turned pagan, 525 B.C.

St. Mary Magdalene, myrrh-bearer and Equal to the Apostles. According to Catholic view, she is one and the same with Mary the Sinner, Mary of Bethany, the sister of Lazarus and Martha, the Magdalen at the foot of the Cross and at the Tomb and the first witness to the Resurrection. **Return of the Relics** of St. Phocas, Priest-Martyr, a Bishop of Sinope. His relics were translated to Vienne in France in the 13th century.

SS. Trophimus, Theophilus, and others with them, suffered martyrdom by beheading about A.D. 302, during the reign of Diocletian, Emperor. **St. Apollynaris**, Priest-Martyr, appointed first Bishop of Ravenna by St. Peter, died in the reign of Vespasian, Emperor A.D. 79.

THE HOLY MARTYR EMILIAN

During the reign of Julian the Apostate, in the Thracian town of Dorostolon, lived a young man, Emilian, a servant of the mayor of the town. When the apostate emperor began to destroy Christianity throughout the realm of the Roman Empire by fire and sword and, when the emperor's representative came to Dorostolon to kill the Christians, he did not find a single one. Rejoicing at this, he sponsored a great banquet for the citizens of Dorostolon and ordered sacrifices to be offered to the idols and rejoicing ensued throughout the entire town, day and night. That night, St. Emilian entered the pagan temples, markets, and the streets of the town and smashed all of the idols with a sledgehammer. The next day there was terror in the city. Everyone sought the destroyer of their gods. A peasant was passing by the temple that morning and was seized. Emilian, seeing that an innocent man would suffer, said to himself: "If I conceal my works, what benefit would I receive from that which I did? Before God, will I not be found as the murderer of this innocent man?" Therefore, he appeared before the emperor's legate and admitted all. The enraged legate asked Emilian, who had prompted you to do this? The martyr of Christ replied: "God and my soul ordered me to destroy those lifeless pillars which you call gods." The judge then ordered that Emilian be flogged and, after flogging and other tortures, ordered him to be buried alive. Thus ended the earthly life of St. Emilian and he was received into the heavenly life on July 18, 362 A.D.

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

BLESSING OF VEHICLES – After the Feast of St. Elijah Divine Liturgies on Monday, July 20th, there will be the blessing of vehicles. After Liturgy, please go to your vehicle and open your door.

MOUNT CARMEL RAFFLE will be in the Parish Hall after the 7:00pm Liturgy and Blessing of Vehicles on Monday, July 20th.

THE PROPHET ELIJAH

Elijah's memory was kept alive especially on Mount Carmel where he challenged the people to stop hobbling first on one foot and then on the other, but to choose who is God in Israel – Yahweh or Baal.

According to the story, which can be found in the *First Book of Kings*, Chapter 18, Elijah's sacrifice was consumed by fire from heaven, which proved to the people that Yahweh was the true God.

Elijah made himself available for God's work and was sent into various situations to proclaim God's word. Elijah undertook a long journey through the desert where he began to despair. He sat down under a bush and wished he were dead, but God would not allow him to die and prodded him to continue his journey to Mount Horeb. When he arrived there, God became present to Elijah. God came not with the signs usual in the Old Testament of fire, earthquake, and mighty wind, but in the sound of a gentle breeze. Elijah was sent back to his people to carry out God's Will.

From Elijah, we learn to listen for the voice of God in the unexpected and in silence. We seek to allow the Word of God to shape our minds and our hearts so that the way we live and the things we do may be prophetic and, therefore, faithful to the memory of our Father, Elijah.

*O awesome Prophet, by the grace of God and
a pure life you have united with Him. You
received authority and rightly judged the people.
By your will you closed the raingates; you brought down
fire from on high and destroyed the enemies. Pray that
our souls may be saved.*



