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OUR LADY OF WISDOM

ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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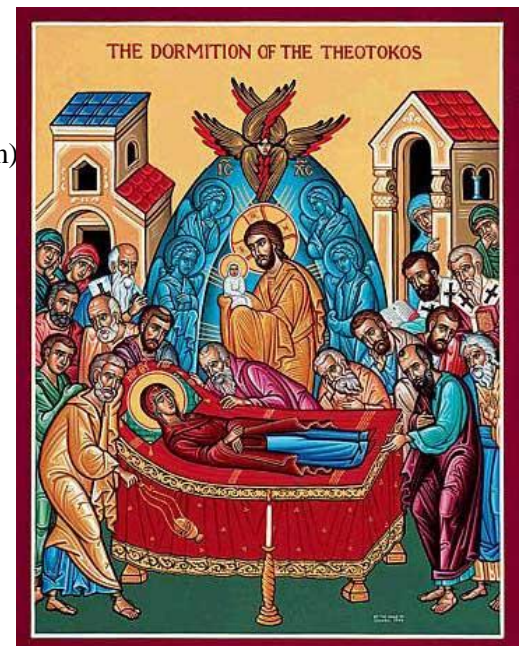
August 15th & 16th, 2015

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 Dormition

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, August 15 – Dormition of the Theotokos

11:00am – Dormition Divine Liturgy: +Heddy Boring

5:00pm - Divine Liturgy: +Jean Hogue

Readings: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 10:38-42.11:27-28

Sunday, August 16 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Translation of the Icon of Our Lord

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy: +Mary Banish

Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Mt 19:16-26

Readings for Icon: Col 1:12-18/2 Cor 3:4-11; Lk 9:51-56;10:22-24

Monday, August 17 – Myron, Martyr

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Reading: 2 Cor 8:7-15; Mk 3:6-12

Tuesday, August 18 – Florus and Laurus, Martyrs

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: 2 Cor 8:16-9:5; Mk 3:13-19

Wednesday, August 19 – Andrew and Others, Martyrs

Readings: 2 Cor 9:12-10:7; Mk 3:20-27

Thursday, August 20 – Samuel, Prophet; Stephen, King of Hungary

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: 2 Cor 10:7-18; Mk 3:28-35

Friday, August 21 – Thaddeus, Apostle

9:00am - Third Hour and Communion

Readings: 2 Cor 11:5-21; Mk 4:1-9

Saturday, August 22 - Agathonicus and Others, Martyrs

5:00pm - Divine Liturgy:

Living Intention: Ralph and Edie Rodriguez

Readings: 1 Cor 2:5-9; Mt 22:15-22

Sunday, August 23 – 13th Sunday After Pentecost

10:00am - Third Hour

10:30am - Divine Liturgy: +Shane Price

Readings: 1 Cor 16:13-24; Mt 21:33-42

Dormition (Assumption) of the Theotokos. It is considered to be our Lady's greatest Feast. The commemoration of her death and the Assumption of her body and soul into heaven was the occasion of special devotion in very early times. In Ephesus it was observed even in the first century. In A.D. 1950, Pope Pius XII defined and promulgated the Assumption of the Theotokos to be a dogma of the Church.

Translation of the miraculously formed Icon of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, from Edessa to Constantinople, called "Veronica's Veil," A.D. 950. **St. Diomidius,** Martyr, endured death A.D. 288, during the reign of the Emperor Diocletian.

St. Myron, Martyr, who was seized by the imperial officers of Decius, Emperor, tortured and executed for the Faith A.D. 250, in Cyzicus on the Sea of Marnora. **SS. Paul and Juliana,** his sister, Martyrs in Palestine. Both patiently endured savage torture before being beheaded with other Martyrs under Julian the Apostate.

SS. Florus and Laurus, Martyr. They were twin brothers and stone-cutters by trade who, for the Faith, were put to death by drowning in a well A.D. 320, under the power of Licinius.

St. Andrew, a Tribune in the Greek army and with his **2,593 soldiers.** Martyrs, who were massacred for the Faith on Mt. Taurus in Silicia A.D. 300, in the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

St. Thaddeus, Apostle, one of the 70 Apostles, descendant of a Jewish Family in the city of Edessa and was a disciple of St. John the Baptist-Precursor. He died in peace at Beiruth, in Palestine. **SS. Bassa** and her children, **Theogonius, Agapius, and Pista (Fidelis),** Martyrs, suffered death under one of the Diocletian's colleagues about A.D. 304.

St. Agathonicus and with him: **Zoticus, Theoprepis** (which means "Grace of God"). **Acindynus and Severianus,** Martyrs, suffered death A.D. 304, during the reign of the Emperor Maximian.

FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

The Feast of the Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, is celebrated on August 15 each year. The Feast commemorates the repose (Dormition and in the Greek *kimisis*) or "falling-asleep" of the Mother of Jesus Christ, our Lord. The Feast also commemorates the translation or assumption into heaven of the body of the Theotokos.

The Holy Scriptures tell us that, when our Lord was dying on the Cross, He saw His mother and His disciple John and said to the Virgin Mary, "Woman, behold your son!" and to John, "Behold your mother!" ([John 19:25-27](#)). From that hour, the Apostle took care of the Theotokos in his own home.

Along with the biblical reference in *Acts 2:14*, that confirms that the Virgin Mary was with the Holy Apostles on the day of Pentecost, the tradition of the Church holds that she remained in the home of the Apostle John in Jerusalem, continuing a ministry in word and deed.

At the time of her death, the disciples of our Lord who were preaching throughout the world, returned to Jerusalem to see the Theotokos. Except for the Apostle Thomas, all of them, including the Apostle Paul, were gathered together at her bedside. At the moment of her death, Jesus Christ himself descended and carried her soul into heaven.

Following her repose, the body of the Theotokos was taken in procession and laid in a tomb near the Garden of Gethsemane. When the Apostle Thomas arrived three days after her repose and desired to see her body, the tomb was found to be empty. The bodily assumption of the Theotokos was confirmed by the message of an angel and by her appearance to the Apostles.

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

POOR BOX NEWS - Our Parish will make sandwiches for the needy on Sunday, August 16th, after the Divine Liturgy. If possible, please donate bread, lunch meat, peanut butter, and also time to help make the sandwiches. Please bring items to the Hall before this date. Also, all monies collected in the Poor Box are used towards activities for the needy such as these sandwiches. Every dollar helps!

MYSTAGOGIA days of prayer from 9:00am until 7:00pm will be on August 27th, August 28th and August 29th. Parishioners are encouraged to come and pray in silence for at least one hour during each day. This preparation is for the celebration of the New Year.

ECF TEACHERS MEETING for ALL teachers will be Sunday, August 30th after the Divine Liturgy. It is imperative that all preschool, children, and adult teachers attend to establish another successful year.

NEW YEAR'S Vesper celebration will be held on Monday, August 31st, at 7:30pm. Don't forget to bring a plate to break! Pot Luck Dinner begins at 5:00pm.

CATHOLIC FAITH CLASSES – Those who wish to learn the Catholic Christian faith are asked to sign up with Sub-Deacon Paul for the new classes in Catholic Faith Instruction for the fall.

REGISTRATION for children ECF classes has begun. Please see SubDeacon Paul for registration information. Classes for the non-baptized will be on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy. Classes for baptized Christians who seek the full communion with the Christian Faith in the Catholic Church will be held on Wednesdays.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION INSTITUTE Building Fund Campaign will begin in August. We ask you to take your pledge for the new building seriously. Furthermore, we need to remember what our Bishop told us: this building is needed to teach the Catholic Faith; so that all peoples will come to know the true God and His Love for mankind through His Son Jesus, the Christ.

ITALIAN WEDDING AND DINNER – Come join us for a “Mock” Italian Wedding and Dinner Party complete with Chicken Marsala, Sausage Pizziola, and other goodies. Tickets are only \$25.00 per person. Event will be held on Sunday, October 25th, from 4:30pm to 8:00pm.

LADIES RETREAT – St. Joseph Husband of Mary's Parish is holding a Women's Retreat on Saturday, September 12. If you are interested, please see Fr. Francis.

HOLY MYSTERIES of Baptism, Chrismation, and Holy Eucharist will be celebrated for August Michael Leiterra on Saturday, August 29th, at 10:00am.

BULLETIN BY E-MAIL - If you are interested in receiving the weekly bulletin to your email, please write your name and email address on paper and place in Bill St. George's mail box in our robe/mail room.



