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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 21st and 22nd, 2015

PARISH SERVED BY:

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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
Supplicatsia: [Prayer of Supplication]
Last Thursday of every month: all day adoration 9AM-7PM
Closing with Divine Liturgy and Moleben to Saint Jude
Myrrh-Bearers: 2nd Monday of every month: 7PM



Entry of the Holy Theotokos

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 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos
5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy: *Living Intention: Matthew D’Orio*
Readings: Heb 9:1-7; Lk 10:38-42; 11:27-28

Sunday, November 22 – 26th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00am - Third Hour
10:30am - Divine Liturgy: *+Pasquale Febraro*
Readings: Eph 5:9-19; Lk 12:16-21

Monday, November 23 – Amphilochius & Gregory, Bishops
9:00am - Third Hour and Communion
6:30 – Teaching: Archbishop Raya’s Book “Face of God”
Reading: 1 Tim 5:1-10; Lk 17:20-25
Readings for the Saints: Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:42-47

Tuesday, November 24 – Catherine, Great Martyr
9:00am - Third Hour and Communion
Readings: 1 Tim 5:11-21; Lk 17:26-37
Readings for the Martyr: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 21:12-19

Wednesday, November 25 – Clement and Peter, Pope and Bishop
9:00am-7:00pm - Supplicatsia
7:00pm - Thanksgiving Vigil Liturgy: *+Lana Thompson*
Readings: 1 Tim 5:22-6:11; Lk 18:15-17.26-30
Readings of the Saints: Phil 3:20-4:3; Mt 5:14-19

Thursday, November 26 – Alypius the Stylite, Venerable
9:00am - Third Hour and Communion
Readings: 1 Tim 6:6-11.17-19; Lk 12:13-15.22-31

Friday, November 27 – James the Persian, Martyr
9:00am - Third Hour and Communion
Readings: 2 Tim 1:1-2.8-18; Lk 19:12-28
Readings for the Martyr: Eph 6:10-17; Jn 15:1-7

Saturday, November 28 – Stephen, Venerable Martyr
5:00pm - Divine Liturgy: *+Mary West Bowers*
Readings: Gal 5:22-6:2; Lk 10:19-21

Sunday, November 29 – 27th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00am - Third Hour
10:30am - Divine Liturgy: *+Tuscany Family*
Readings: Eph 5:9-19; Lk 13:10-17

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. Cecilia**, 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.

Our Holy Father, **Amphilochius**, Bishop of Iconium and **Gregory**, Bishop of Agrigentum. The former died about A.D. 400, the latter about A.D. 600.

St. Catherine, Great Virgin Martyr, after confessing the Christian Faith, was scourged for a long time with scorpions and suffered martyrdom by beheading A.D. 250, under the tyrant Maximin Daza, Emperor. **St. Mercurius**, Great Martyr, martyred A.D. 250, during the Reign of Decius Emperor.

Our Holy Father, **Clement**, Pope of Rome (third after St. Peter the Apostle), was cast into the Black Sea with an anchor around his neck, probably A.D. 100, under Trajan, Emperor. Our Holy Father, **Peter**, Bishop of Alexandria, put to death by the order of Emperor Maximian Daza, A.D. 311.

Our Venerable Father, **Alypius**, Stylite, who remained on his lofty perch 53 years and attained the age of 118, A.D. 608. Dedication of the church of St. George in Kiev.

St. James the Persian, Great Martyr, suffered a fearful martyrdom A.D. 421, under the Persian ruler Varanes V. He was progressively cut to pieces; first fingers, then toes, hand, feet, arms, and legs were successively cut from his living body while he praised God in Psalmody. Our Venerable Father, **Palladius**.

St. Stephen, “the Younger”. Venerable Martyr suffered martyrdom with Three Hundred and Forty Three other Christians, victims of the fury of the Iconoclast Emperor Constantine Copronymus A.D. 766. **St. Irenarchus and Seven Women**, Martyrs, who suffered death with him A.D. 292.

MARTYR JAMES THE PERSIAN

James was born into a pious Persian Christian family, both wealthy and illustrious. His wife was also a Christian and the couple raised their children in piety. He occupied a high position at the Court of the Persian Emperor, Izdegerd, and his successor Barakhranes V. Blinded by so much evidence of the King’s favor and by the vain pleasures of the world, he denied Christ and joined himself to the King’s idolatrous cult. Learning of this, James’s mother and wife wrote him a letter in which they rebuked him and urged him to repent. Receiving the letter, James realized the gravity of his sin. Faced with the horror of being cutoff not only from his family, but also from God Himself, he began to weep loudly, imploring the Lord for forgiveness.

His fellow soldiers, hearing him pray to the Lord Jesus Christ, reported this to the Emperor. Under interrogation, he bravely confessed his faith in the one True God. No amount of urging by the Emperor could make him renounce Christ. The Emperor then ordered the Saint to be put to death. They began to cut off his fingers and his toes, one by one, then his hands and his feet, and then his arms and legs. During the prolonged torture, St. James offered prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord. Finally, the Martyr was beheaded. Christians gathered up the pieces of his body and buried them with great reverence. Among other places, a part of Relics is to be found in the Great Cave Monastery, Kalavryta, Greece.

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

VIGIL THANKSGIVING LITURGY will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 25th at 7:00pm.

PARISH OFFICES will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th.

BACKPACKS – The Fool for Christ is asking for backpacks for homeless teens. If you can please donate a new backpack and place it under the St. Nicholas Icon Screen, it would be greatly appreciated. Also needed is bar hand soap, lotion, tooth paste, toothbrushes, combs, brushes etc. God Bless you!

Please bring your baked goods in for sale for the-Saint Nicholas Festival and drop them off in the parish hall No later than Thursday, December 3rd. God Bless your work! Papas

SAINT NICHOLAS FESTIVAL will be held on Saturday, December 5th from 9:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday, December 6th from 12noon to 5:00pm. Events include the appearances of Saint Nicholas, a pageant, bake sale, gifts and religious articles for sale, games, cake walk, face painting and food. This year we are including a Piñata to be broken on Sunday at 4:00pm.

FEAST OF ST. ANDREW Divine Liturgy is celebrated on Monday, November 30th at 7:00pm.

ST. BARBARA Vigil Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, December 3rd, at 7:00pm.-Bring Dried Flowers for the blessing.

SPECIAL NOTE - Hello friends - We at Manch would like to give a big warm thank you to The Myrrhbearers of Our Lady of Wisdom and Ray of Hope for all you have done for our students so far! The fact that you opened your hearts to our kids and donated 100 new jackets with 120 more on the way is so heartwarming. We feel so touched. The students also feel very lucky to have the opportunity to pick out their very own jacket. You should have seen the smiles on their faces!

Retired Religious Collection will be taken up the first week and second week of December.



