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# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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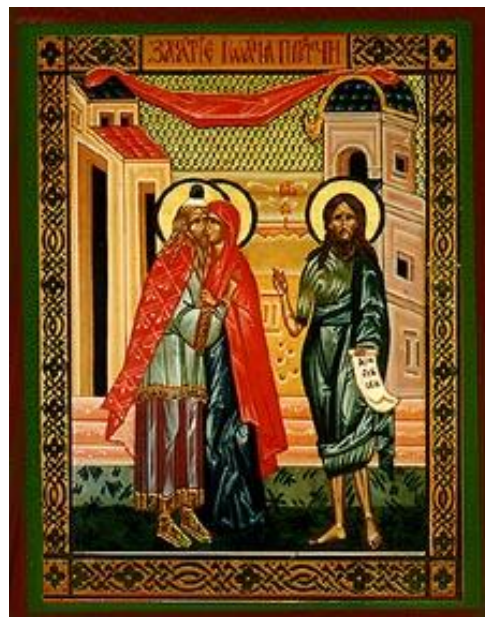
# September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### **PARISH SERVED BY:**

Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona, S.T.M., J.C.L., Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Stephen E. Casmus, M.A.T., Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Subdeacon Paul F. Kilroy (Contact for Parish Safe Environment Program)  
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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  
**Supplicatsia will resume in September**  
Myrrh-Bearers: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month: 7PM



Conception of St. John the Forerunner

### **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, Sept 17 – Saturday after the Exaltation of the Cross**

**5:00pm - Vesper Liturgy: +Joseph Cusenza**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:26-29; Jn 8:21-30

**Sunday, Sept 18 – Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross**

**10:00am - Third Hour**

**10:30am - Divine Liturgy: +Deceased members of the Thompson and D'Agostino Families**

Readings: Gal 2:16-20; Mk 8:34-38

**Teaching: Video – Abraham**

**Monday, Sept 19 – Trophimus and Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Phil 1:1-7; Lk 3:19-22

**Tuesday, Sept 20 – Eustace and Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Phil 1:8-14; Lk 3:23-4:1

Readings for St. Eustace: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 21:12-19

**Wednesday, Sept 21 – Codratus, Apostle**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy: +Maria Virgilio**

**6:00pm – Teaching: Story of Jacob**

Readings: Phil 1:12-20; Lk 4:1-15

**Thursday, Sept 22 – Phocas, Bishop-Martyr**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Phil 1:20-27; Lk 4:16-22

Readings for the Saint: Heb 5:4-10; Jn 10:9-16

**Friday, Sept 23 – Conception of John the Baptist**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Phil 1:27-2:4; Lk 4:22-30

Readings for the Baptist: Gal 4:22-31; Lk 1:5-25

**Saturday, Sept 24 – Thecia, Proto Martyr**

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Frances Manzi**

Readings: 1 Cor 15:58-16:3; Lk 4:31-36

Readings for the Martyr: 2 Tim 3:10-15; Mt 25:1-13

**Sunday, Sept 25 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Ann Kolosinizsky**

Readings: 2 Cor 11:31-12:9; Lk 5:1-11

**Teaching: Video – Story of Jacob**

17<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Sophia and her Three Daughters, Faith, Hope, and Charity.** These three virgins suffered death for Christ while still children, under the Emperor Hadrian. Three days later, their mother, praying at their tomb, passed away.

18<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Eumenius**, Wonderworker, Bishop of Gortyna on the Island of Crete, was conspicuous for his charity. He died in exile in the latter half of the 3<sup>rd</sup> century.

19<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Trophimus, Sabbatius and Dorymedont**, Martyrs. They were tortured and beheaded as Christians, most probably at Antioch, about A.D. 277.

20<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Eustace** (Placidus), the Great Soldier-Martyr, and his wife, **Theopista**, and their sons, **Agapius and Theopistus**, Martyrs, put to death as Christians under the Emperor Hadrian A.D. 118.

21<sup>st</sup> – **St. Codratus**, registered in the old Martyrologies as disciple of the Apostles and successor of St. Publius as Bishop of Athens, where he died by sword some time before A.D. 130.

22<sup>nd</sup> – **St. Phocas**, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Sinope on the Black Sea. He was put to death under the Emperor Trajan A.D. 102. **St. Jonas**, Prophet, one of the Twelve Lesser Prophets and an inspired writer of a Canonical Book of Holy Scriptures. He died 761 B.C. Venerable **Jonas**, father of St. Theophanes, composer of the Canons, and of Theodore, having flourished A.D. 817.

23<sup>rd</sup> – **Conception of St. John the Baptist, the glorious Prophet and Precursor of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.**

24<sup>th</sup> – **St. Thecla**, First Virgin-Martyr. One of the most celebrated of the Saints of the Early Church. St. Epiphanius and others relate that she was converted at Iconium in Lycaonia by St. Paul (*Acts 14*) A.D. 51. She died before the close of the 1<sup>st</sup> century.

25<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Mother, **Euphrosyna**, was an Egyptian maiden of pious Christian parents at Alexandria. To avoid marriage and preserve her virginity, she assumed male attire, entered a monastery of Monks to frustrate a search for her. She retired into a cell and, for 38 years, was looked upon as a holy man. Even her own father sought spiritual advice from her and appreciated her counsels. He assisted at her last moments. Only then did she disclose her identity. After her death, about A.D. 470, her father took possession of her cell where he passed the rest of his days in penance and prayers.

## APOSTLE ANANIAS

Apostle Ananias came and lived in Damascus, Syria. When the revelation on the road to Damascus left Saul blind from the overwhelming brilliance of the divine light, it was Ananias who was sent to him. He baptized him and restored his sight by the laying on of his hands. Despite the danger, he boldly and openly confessed Christianity before the Jews and the pagans. He was consecrated first Bishop of Damascus, from where he went to preach at Eleutheropolis, where he healed many people of their infirmities. The Roman Governor of the city, Lucian, tried to persuade him to offer sacrifice to idols and, because of this staunch and solid confession of Christ, he gave orders to torture him. Harsh torments did not sway the witness to the Truth. Then the torturers led him out beyond the city, where they stoned him. His Relics were later transferred to Constantinople.

**+++ PARISH INFORMATION AND IMPORTANT DATES +++**

**A RUMMAGE SALE** is scheduled for Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:00am and on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, from 12noon until 4:00pm. Items you would like to donate **MUST BE BROUGHT** to Parish Hall **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2016**. Thank you

**ACOLYTE MEETING** – An acolyte meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2016 at 10:00AM. All acolytes and those interested in becoming acolytes should make every effort to attend.

**CANTORS' MEETING** – A Cantors' meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 10:00am. All cantors should make every effort to attend. If you are interested in being a cantor, you are welcome.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** – Priest Medical Emergency Collection will be taken on October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated.

**AKATHIST TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** will be celebrated before the Divine Liturgy on Sundays during the month of October.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU, IN ADVANCE, TO ALL WHO HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE THE RUMMAGE SALE A SUCCESS

**THE CONCEPTION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

The Conception of St. John the Baptist is one of the first miracles of the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. With this miracle of the Conception, God wished to confirm and herald the miracles of miracles, the Incarnation, by another, like to it, but not the same. So, in order that St. John should in everything be Christ's Forerunner, six months before the Archangel Gabriel visited the Virgin Mary, he appeared to the High Priest Zachariah as he was going into the Temple to offer the sacrifice of incense and told him *"Do not be afraid, for your prayer is heard and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness and many will rejoice at his birth. For he will be great in the sight of the Lord...and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. (Luke 1:13-15).*

Zachariah and his wife were both old, so that he doubted the truth of the Archangel's words. This is why Gabriel told him that he would be dumb until the birth of the child, as a punishment, and to teach him to use his tongue only to give glory to God.



