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# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<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  
Myrrh-Bearers: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month: 7PM



Entrance 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 19 – Obadiah, Prophet**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy and Panahida: +Billy Jean Telles**

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

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Pat Daly**

Readings: Gal 5:22-6:2; Lk 9:57-62

**Sunday, November 20 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Robert Handcox**

Readings: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 12:16-21

**Teaching: Book of Job**

**Monday, November 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy: +Robert Handcox**

Readings: Heb 9:1-7; Lk 10:38-42; 11:27-28

**Tuesday, November 22 – Philemon and Others, Apostles**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 2 Tim 3:16-4:4; Lk 17:26-37

Readings for the Apostles: Philemon 1-25; Lk 10:1-15

**Wednesday, November 23 – Amphlochius & Gregory, Bishops**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy: +Rev. Alphonse Pechio**

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy: +Robert Handcox**

Readings: 2 Tim 4:9-22; Lk 18:15-17.26-30

Readings for the Saints: Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:42-47

**Thursday, November 24 – Catherine, Great Martyr**

Readings: 1 Tim 6:6-11.17-19; Lk 12:42-48

**Friday, November 25 – Clement and Peter, Pope and Bishop**

Readings: Titus 1:15-2:10; Lk 19:12-28

Readings of the Saints: Phil 3:20-4:3; Mt 5:14-19

**Saturday, November 26 – Alypius the Stylite, Venerable**

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Robert Handcox**

Readings: Eph 1:16-23; Lk 10:19-21

**Sunday, November 27 – 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Robert Handcox**

Readings: Col 1:12-18; Lk 13:10-17

19<sup>th</sup> – **St. Obadiah**, Prophet, is of the Twelve Minor Prophets, having lived in the 9<sup>th</sup> century B.C. — **St. Barlem**, Martyr, was a pious peasant who was imprisoned and tortured for the Faith at Antioch A.D. 304, in the persecution under Diocletian and Galerius, Emperors.

20<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Gregory** of Decapolis, suffered much in the Iconoclastic persecution under the Emperor Leo the Armenian. — Our Holy Father **Proclus**, Archbishop of Constantinople, was a disciple of St. John Chrysostom. He died A.D. 446 in the reign of Theodosius the Younger, Emperor.

21<sup>st</sup> – **Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple** (This Feast was introduced in Constantinople about the year A.D. 700.)

22<sup>nd</sup> – **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.

23<sup>rd</sup> – 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.

24<sup>th</sup> – **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.

25<sup>th</sup> – 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.

26<sup>th</sup> – 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.

27<sup>th</sup> – **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, hands, feet, arms, legs were successively cut from his living body while he praised God in Psalmody. — Our Venerable Father, **Palladius**.

## VESPERS

The liturgical day begins with the praying of Vespers. Vespers is celebrated in the evening as the calendar day draws to a close. In monasteries, it is prayed before supper time. Since darkness existed before light according to God's creation, the beginning of darkness each evening marks the beginning of a new day. This service suitably gives thanks for the gifts received the previous day and sings praise to Christ, Who enlightens everyone who comes into the world. The central psalmody of Vespers includes Psalms 140, 141, 129, and 116. On feasts, we hear at least three scriptural readings, usually from the Old Testament. On greater feasts, we bless bread, wheat, wine, and oil and ask God to sustain us in spiritual vigilance. On some greater feasts, Vespers is followed immediately by Matins and an "all-night vigil" is observed. The bread, wine, and oil are received for sustenance on these occasions.

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

**ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS** Liturgy will be celebrated on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**THANKSGIVING VIGIL DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**PARISH OFFICES** will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

**TEACHING** – Fr. Francis will give a teaching on the Dry Liturgy Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Fr. Stephen will teach this again; date to be determined.

**CANDY** – Lots of candy is needed for our upcoming Saint Nicholas Celebration. Please pick up a bag or two as a donation to the church. Please drop off the candy in front of the St. Nicholas Icon before Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**RAFFLE TICKETS** for the St. Nicholas raffle are to be returned by Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, before noon.

**POT LUCK** for Saint Nicholas Day on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, will be at 6:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share with our parish family.

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION** will be on the weekend of December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Please remember those Sisters and Religious Brothers who served the church and now are in need. Thank you in advance for your kind gifts.

**TIME, TALENT & TREASURE** — Due to the fact that Fr. Francis has retired from his position as Rector of the Shrine of the Most Holy Redeemer and the return of Fr. Stephen to the parish, Our Lady of Wisdom has incurred additional expenses. Considering this reality, each parish family is asked to remember that their gifts to the Lord need to be consistent each week. The parish advisory board brings this to your attention at this time because the funds received in our weekly collections are currently not sufficient to pay the bills.

**EYE GLASSES COLLECTION** — Sharon Huntington is collecting old unused eye glasses of all types to be given out to the people needing them at The Catholic Worker. If you have any lying around that you are not using, please give to Mrs. Huntington or put them in her mailbox in the back room.

**OFFICER NEEDED** — Our parish church is in need of Trapezzarians for the Holy Table. Trapezzarians are those who take care of the Holy Table and dressing the church for the Feasts. Duties include: dressing the Holy Table, sewing on buttons, fixing snaps, taking vestments to the Dry Cleaner and bringing the clean vestments home, sewing on tassels and ensuring all service cloths are in good condition. If you are interested in holding this office, please speak to Fr. Francis personally.



