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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

January 14th and 15th, 2017

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

Subdeacon Paul F. Kilroy (Contact for Parish Safe Environment Program)

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Toni Ritchey, Secretary – Claire Lynott, Finance Officer

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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

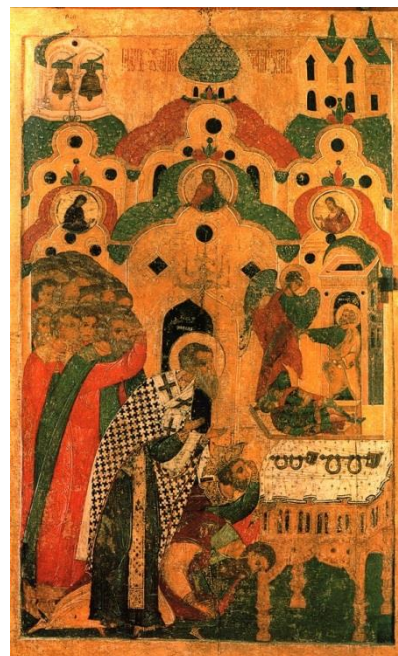
Confessions: 15 minutes before each Liturgy or by appointment

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



Veneration of the Chains of St. Peter

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, January 14 – Venerable Fathers of Sinai and Raitho
5:00pm – Divine Liturgy and Panahida: +Robert Louis Stone
 Readings: Eph 5:1-8; Lk 14:1-11

Sunday, January 15 – 35th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00am – Third Hour
10:30am – Divine Liturgy:
Living Intention: Joseph and Christine Bartish
 Readings: Col 3:12-16; Lk 18:18-27
Teaching: Isaiah/Daniel Prophecies (bridge)

Monday, January 16 – Veneration of the Chains of Peter
9:00am – Third Hour and Communion
 Readings: Heb 11:17-23, 27-31; Mk 9:42-10:1
 Readings for the Apostle: Acts 12:1-11; Jn 21:15-25

Tuesday, January 17 – Anthony the Great
9:00am – Third Hour and Communion
 Readings: Heb 12:25-26; 13:22-25; Mk 10:2-12
 Readings for Anthony: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

Wednesday, January 18 – Athanasius & Cyril, Archbishops
There will be no Divine Liturgy This Day
 Readings: James 1:1-18; Mk 10:11-16
 Readings for the Fathers: heb 13:7-16; Mt 5:14-19
6:30 pm – Teaching: The Infancy Gospel

Thursday, January 19 – Macarius, Venerable
9:00am – Third Hour and Communion
 Readings: James 1:19-27; Mk 10:17-27
 Readings for the Father: Gal 5:22-6:2; Mt 11:27-30

Friday, January 20 – Euthymius the Great, Venerable
9:00am – Third Hour and Communion
 Readings: James 2:1-13; Mk 10:23-32
 Readings for the Father: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

Saturday, January 21 – Maximus the Confessor
5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Ann Kolosinsky
 Readings: Col 1:3-6; Lk 16:10-15
 Readings for Maximus: Heb 11:33-40; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday, January 22 – 36th Sunday After Pentecost / Holy Apostle Timothy
10:00am – Third Hour
10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Deceased of the Lucchesi Family
 Readings: 1 Tim 15-17; Lk 18:35-43
 Readings for Apostle: 2 Tim 3:1-9; Lk 10:1-15

14th – Our Venerable **Fathers of Sinai and Raitho**, suffered martyrdom from the Saracens A.D. 296, during the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

15th – Our Venerable Fathers, **Paul of Thebes and John, the “Tent-Dweller.”** Paul was the First Hermit. He fled into the desert of Egypt during the reign of Emperor Decius and died about A.D. 343. John was of famous parentage and received tonsure in the monastery of the Cenobites in the reign of Leo the Great, Emperor (A.D. 457-475).

16th – **Veneration of the Venerable Chains of St. Peter**, the all-praiseworthy Apostle. The chains with which St. Peter was bound in the prison were preserved at the station church on the Esquiline in Rome and, in the Middle Ages, attracted numerous Pilgrims.

17th – Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father, **Anthony the Great**, and Egyptian by birth, who went into the desert during the reign of Constantine the Great, in the year A.D. 312. Living to the age of 105, he died A.D. 356. He was a friend of St. Paul the Hermit, and was one of the founders of the cenobitical life.

18th – Our Holy Fathers, **Athanasius and Cyril**, Archbishops of Alexandria. St. Athanasius is one of the four great Doctors of the Byzantine Rite church: called the “Father of Orthodoxy.” He opposed the Arians with admirable zeal and endured exile for 46 years. He died in A.D. 373. (Confer May 2). **St Cyril** opposed the Nestorians and taught that the Divine and Human Natures in Christ are united in oneness of person, and that the Blessed Virgin ought truly to be called the Mother of God. He presided over the 3rd Ecumenical Council at Ephesus A.D. 431. He died in A.D. 444. (Confer June 9).

19th – Our Venerable Fathers, **Macarius of Egypt**, A.D. 373, and Macarius of Alexandria, Monks; date of death A.D. 395, in the reign of Theodosius the Great, Emperor. **St. Euphrosinia**, Virgin.

20th – Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father, **Euthymius the Great**, Hegumen-Abbot, lived at the time of the reign of Arcadius and Honorius, Emperors; died in the year A.D. 473.

21st – Our Venerable Father **Maximus**, Confessor; died from tortures A.D. 662, in the reign of Constans II. His tongue torn out and right hand cut off, he died in prison. — **St. Neophitus**, Martyr, a youth not yet 15 years old, died A.D. 310, in the reign of Diocletian. — **SS. Eugene, Canidius, Valerian, and Aquilas**, Martyrs; died by fire in A.D. 292.

22nd – **St. Timothy**, Apostle, was the most famous disciple of St. Paul, during the reign of Emperor Nero and the first Bishop of Ephesus in Asia Minor. — **St. Anastasius**, Venerable-Martyr of Persia, suffered martyrdom A.D. 619, at the hands of Chosroas, during the reign of Heraclaus, Emperor.

IRS STATEMENTS – All registered parishioners will be given a 2016 IRS statement for your taxes. If you are NOT registered, but contributed monetarily in 2016, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish or place in Toni Ritchey’s mail box. Thank you.

2016 IRS CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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

BISHOP'S APPEAL BEGINS THIS WEEK!! As is done each year, we are asked to participate in the Bishop's Appeal. I ask that you prayerfully consider the pledge that you give to the Bishop for the Work of the Eparchy. Please remember that this is a parishioner obligation and the recommended sacrificial pledge is \$200.00 per household, which can be paid in monthly installments until May 31, 2017. God Bless You!

PARISH OFFICES will be closed on Monday, January 16, in observance of Martine Luther King Day.

SACRIFICIAL PRAYER SPONSORS are still needed for the catechumens. If you want to help the catechumens on their faith journey through prayer, please consider becoming a sponsor.

THE HOLY PLACE

The sanctuary and the altar have been, throughout the spiritual development of the Church, gradually hidden and separated — not by an ecclesiastical, bureaucratic mandate — but by the Christian sense of the sacred, by a real sense of the awesomeness of the Mystery of God. St. John Chrysostom and all the Fathers constantly call the altar the “terrifying table” and the mystery of the altar “terrifying mysteries,” “the terrifying sacrifice of the body and blood of Christ to which we have to approach with fear and trembling.” This is sacred terror and not fear of the unknown. It is a mystic trembling in the presence of heaven: “Take off your shoes,” said God, “for the place where you stand is holy.” (cf *Exodus 3:5*).

The more secularized we become, the more our vision of the sacred and the holy becomes blurry, and even blinded. The closing of doors and curtains is not setting apart the clergy as if in a special class, shutting off the People of God from participation. It is, rather, a forceful revelation that there is a mystery and that we cannot see or experience this mystery by physical contact. No human eyes or physical sight can penetrate or comprehend it. Only love and the surge of the soul on the wings of faith can meet the Lord and God of all.

“I shall enter into Your dwelling place; before Your holy temple I shall bow in fear of You.”
(Psalm 5:7)



