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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

# *February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 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

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Toni Ritchey, Secretary – Claire Lynott, Finance Officer

Mary Weishaar, ECF Director

William St. George, Prayer Line Director (702-379-5268 / Bill@lvac.com)

### **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



The Prodigal Son

### **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, February 11 – St. Blasé, Bishop-Martyr**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy and Blessing of Throats:**

+*Deceased members of the Sirgo Family*

**5:00pm – Divine Liturgy:**

+*Deceased members of the Maranzo Family*

Readings: 2 Tim 3:1-9; Lk 20:46-21:4

**Sunday, February 12 – Sunday of the Prodigal Son**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy:** +*Angelina Maranzo*

+*Panahida - +Margaret Lynott*

Readings: 1 Cor 6:12-20; Lk 15:11-32

**Teaching: Mt Ch 12 & 13 (Parables) – Father Stephen**

**Monday, February 13 – Martinian, Venerable**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-3:10; Mk 11:1-11

**Tuesday, February 14 – Death of Cyril, Apostle to the Slavs**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy:** +*Charles Corona*

Readings: Heb 7:26-8:2; Jn 10:9-16

**Wednesday, February 15 – Onesimus, Apostle**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy:** +*John Vivona*

**6:00pm – Teaching: Mt Ch 14 & 16 (John the Baptist Beheaded)**

+*Michael Iglinski*

Readings: 1 Jn 3:21-4:6; Mk 14:43-15:1

**Thursday, February 16 – Pamphilius & Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 1 Jn 4:20-5:21; Mk 15:1-15

**Friday, February 17 – Theodore the Recruit, Great Martyr**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 2 Jn 1:13; Mk 15:22.25 & 33-41

**Saturday, February 18 – First All Souls Saturday**

**9:00am – All Souls Liturgy**

Readings: 1 Thes 4:13-17; Jn 5:24-30

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy** +*Deceased of the Vivona Family*

Readings: 1 Cor 10:23-28; Lk 21:8-9.25-27.33-36

**Sunday, February 19 – Sunday of Meat Fare**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy:** +*Ken Sullivan*

+*Panahida for Eddie Hein*

Readings: 1 Cor 8:8-9:2; Mk 25:31-46

**Teaching: Mt Ch 16 & 17 (Pharisees/Transfiguration) – Father Francis**

11<sup>th</sup> – **St. Blasé**, Bishop-Martyr, suffered martyrdom A.D. 316, at Sebaste. He was beheading during the hegemony of Licinius, in the reign of Constantine the Great, Emperor.

12<sup>th</sup> – Our Holy Father, **Meletius**, Archbishop of Great Antioch, was elected to the Patriarchal See in A.D. 360, but within a month, he was sent into exile by the Emperor Constantius. Reinstated in 378, he held a council of 150 Bishops and took prominent part in the Council of Constantinople A.D. 38, in the reign of Theodosius the Great. **St. Marina**, Virgin, in male attire, lived in the monastery to the year A.D. 440.

13<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Martinian**, Hegumen, died in the year A.D. 415, in the reign of Theodosius the Younger. **St. Zoe** and **St. Photina**, Venerable Women.

14<sup>th</sup> – The death of our Venerable Father, **Cyril, Bishop of Catania**, the brother of St. Methodius. Apostle of the Slavs and Bulgarians. The old Slavic alphabet (“Cyrillic”) is ascribed to him, who, with his brother, translated many church books from the Greek into the Slavonic language. He died A.D. 869 in Rome.

15<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Auxentius**, Hegumen, was a soldier in the bodyguard of the Emperor Theodosius the Younger. He defended the Catholic Faith at the time of the Council of Chalcedon A.D. 451. He died soon after.

16<sup>th</sup> – **St. Onesimus**, Apostle, was a slave of Filemon, later a disciple of the Apostle Paul. He became Bishop of Ephesus after St. Timothy and died a martyr at Rome. **Paphnutius**, Venerable-Hermit in Egypt and his daughter, **Euphrosyne**.

17<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Pamphilius, Valentine, Paul, Seleucus, Porphyry, Julian, Theodulus**, and the five Martyrs of Egypt, **Elias, Jeremias, Isaia, Samuel, and Daniel**, suffered martyrdom during the reign of Diocletian. Our Venerable Father, **Flavianus**, Archbishop of Constantinople, died of ill treatment A.D. 450, and already the Fathers of Chalcedon proclaimed his Sanctity A.D. 451.

18<sup>th</sup> – **St. Theodore of Tyre**, the Great Martyr, was burned to death A.D. 306, during the reign of Emperor Maximian Hercules. — Memory of **St. Mariamna**, sister of Philip, the Apostle.

19<sup>th</sup> – **St. Archippus**, Apostle, a co-worker with St. Paul, first Bishop of the Colossians. Tradition says he was stoned to death during the reign of Emperor Nero — **SS. Maxim, Theodot, Isychus, and Asklepiodotus**, Martyrs.

## ST. ANASTASIA THE PATRICIAN

St. Anastasia was a patrician lady of the Imperial Palace of Emperor Justinian (527-565). After she was widowed and when she perceived that Empress Theodora could not tolerate her, she immediately slipped out of Constantinople and turned up in the wilderness of Egypt. The renowned Spiritual Father, Abba Daniel, tonsured her a nun and presented her, in accordance with her wishes, as the monk Anastatius the eunuch, so that, as a woman under the guise of a man, she could more easily be protected and hidden from the pursuit of the Emperors. St. Anastasia then closed herself off in a narrow cell, where she spent 28 years, and died there in 563.

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

**BITTER SWEET ANNOUNCEMENT:** Rev. Stephen Casmus M.A.T., of the Italo-Greek Church, has been raised to be the Administrator of the parish of Saint Nicholas in Fontana, California. We congratulate Fr. Stephen and wish him every blessing. The parish family is invited to the hall for refreshments and say farewell to Fr. Stephen after Liturgy this Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

**MAY GOD GRANT FATHER STEPHEN MANY BLESSED YEARS**

**ALL SOULS LITURGY** – The first All Souls Liturgy will be on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00am. Please return the envelopes with the names of those beloved who have fallen asleep before Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.

**FORGIVENESS SUNDAY POTLUCK** – On Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30pm, everyone is welcome to the *Meatless* Pot Luck Dinner in the Parish Hall. Please bring a *meatless* dish to share with our parish family.

**FORGIVENESS SUNDAY VESPER SERVICE** will follow the potluck beginning at 7:00pm.

**COLUMBARIUM NICHEs** are now \$ 1,500.00. Opening and closing of the Niche cost \$50.00 each. A name plate to be placed on the Niche is \$25.00.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL** – 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!

**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

The Sunday of the Prodigal Son is the second Sunday of a three-week period prior to the commencement of Great Lent. On the previous Sunday, the services of the Church began to include hymns from the Triodion, a liturgical book that contains the services from the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, the tenth before Pascha (Easter), through Great and Holy Saturday. As with the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, the theme of this Sunday is repentance, and the focus on the parable of the Prodigal Son leads Eastern Christians to contemplate the necessity of repentance in our relationship with our Heavenly Father.



