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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

Christ is Born!! Glorify Him!!

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

Myrrh Bearers – 2nd Monday of every month 7:00 PM



Nativity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

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, December 23 – Saturday Before Christmas
Ten Holy Martyrs of Crete

5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy +*Joe and Tresa Prestis*
Readings: Gal 3:8-12; Lk 13:18-29

Sunday, December 24 – Sunday before Christmas/Of the Ancestors
10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy +*Laudir Adamski*
Readings: Heb 11:9-10.17-23.32-40; Mt 1:1-25

7:00pm – Christmas Vigil Liturgy:
+*Deceased Member of Our Lady of Wisdom Parish*
Readings: Heb 1:1-12; Lk 2:1-20

Monday, December 25 – Christmas – Birth of Our Lord

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Christmas Divine Liturgy
+*Pro Pololo & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Wisdom*
Readings: Gal 4:4-7; Mt 2:1-12

Tuesday, December 26 – Synaxis of the Theotokos

9:00am – Third Hour and Communion

7:00pm – Divine Liturgy: +*Dorothea Sedor*
Readings: Heb 2:11-18; Mt 2:13-23

Wednesday, December 27 – Stephen Protomartyr

7:00pm – Divine Liturgy: +*Glenda Moreno*
Readings: Acts 6:8-7:5.47-60; Mt 21:33-42

Thursday, December 28 – 20,000 Martyrs of Nicomedia

9:00am – Third Hour and Communion

12pm-7:00pm – Viewing: +*Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis*

7:00pm-9:30pm – Office of Christian Burial

Refreshments to follow in Hall

Readings: Heb 10:35-11:7; Mk 11:27-33

Friday, December 29 – Holy Innocents, Martyrs

9:00am – Third Hour

10:00am – Funeral Divine Liturgy: +*Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis*

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

Luncheon to follow in Hall

Readings for the Day: Heb 11:8.11-16; Mk 12:1-12

Saturday, December 30 – Saturday After Christmas

Anysia Venerable Martyr

5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +*Edith Trigoyen*

Readings: 1 Tim 6:11-16; Mt 12:15-21

Sunday, December 31 – Sunday After Christmas

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +*Joseph and Tresa Prestis*

Readings: Gal 1:11-19; Mt 2:13-23

23rd – **SS. Ten Martyrs at Crete**, suffered martyrdom under the Emperor Diocletian.

24th – **SS. Eugenia**, Venerable Martyr, and her two slaves, **Protus and Hyacinth**, by whom she was converted to Christianity. She was put to death in prison at Rome on Christmas Day, A.D. 257, in the reign of Valerian, Emperor.

25th – **The Nativity of Our Lord, God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, or “Christmas Day”**. The Eastern Church accepted this great Feast Day from the Western Church in the 4th century.

26th – **Synaxis of the Theotokos and St. Joseph, her Spouse**. The flight of the holy Family into Egypt is commemorated this day. St. Joseph was the Foster-Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Beyond what we learn of him from holy Scripture, the facts of his life are unknown to us. — **St. Euthymius**, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Sardis in Lydia. After repeated banishments for his opposition to the Iconoclasts, he was scourged to death A.D. 840, under the Emperor Theophilus.

27th – **St. Stephen**, Protomartyrs, Apostle and Archdeacon, was the first of the Seven Deacons and also the first of the Christian Martyrs. He was stoned to death A.D. 33, by the Jews (*Acts 7.58*). — Our Venerable Father and Confessor, **Theodore**, brother of St. Theophanes and composer of the Canons. For his opposition to the Iconoclasts, Theodore was imprisoned, where he died A.D. 842.

28th – **20,000 Martyrs in Nicomedia**, who were burned to death in church on Christmas Day A.D. 286, during the reign of Diocletian and Maximian, Emperors. — **St. Domna**, Martyr.

29th – **The Holy Innocents**, 14,000 in number, in Bethlehem and within the borders of Judea, put to death for Jesus Christ by the order of King Herod. — Our Venerable Father, **Marcellus**, Heumen-Abbot of the monastic order of the Acoemetes, so named because they recited their Divine Office day and night without interruption. He died about A.D. 485.

30th – **St. Anysia**, a Christian woman, was arrested at Thessalonica when she entered the city to attend the meeting of the Faithful and was put to death A.D. 304, in the reign of the Emperor Maximian Galerius. — Venerable **Zoticus**, a holy priest of Rome, who went to Constantinople where he established hospitals and havens of refuge for poor A.D. 344.

31st – Venerable, **Melany**, a Roman Lady who, with her husband, sold their possessions, distributed the proceeds to the poor, and went into monasteries. She died A.D. 439.

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Glorify Him!

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

Dear Family of Our Lady of Wisdom,

It is with great sadness that I must tell you of the passing of our Papas, Fr. Francis, who fell asleep this past Thursday morning at St. Rose Hospital. As you know, he had recently been through three major surgical procedures and was, in fact, at rehab before having to return to the hospital over a week ago with some form of post-op complications, which looked as if they were well on their way to being rectified. I visited him on Wednesday and spent about two hours with him. His energy was somewhat low, but he was bright and conversant. He asked about the parish and various ones and boasted about being able to stand for a short time earlier in the day. He looked forward to going to rehab again and to the day he would be back at Our Lady of Wisdom. He asked me to relay his blessing to everyone as we look forward to celebrating, once again, our Savior's birth.

On Thursday morning, I received a call from Fr. Francis' nephew, John, who informed me that, during the previous night, Fr. Francis experienced some sort of cardiac-related episode, from which they were not able to resuscitate him. There really is no further news at the time of this writing, but I will do my best to keep our church family informed as to developments.

Fr. Francis spoke and inquired repeatedly about his church family during my last visit with him. I want to tell you that, after God Himself, we were his full interest and his treasure.

Subdeacon Paul

SUBDEACON PAUL'S cell phone number is: (702) 498-5972.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Papas Francis

8 December 1942 - 21 December 2017

Thursday, December 28, 2017

Viewing: 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm (*150 Psalms*)

Office of Christian Burial for a Priest - **BRIGHT VESTMENTS**

The Services for the First and Second Evening will be taken together: 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Light refreshments to follow in the church hall

Friday, December 29, 2017

Funeral Divine Liturgy 10:00 am - **BRIGHT VESTMENTS**

Luncheon in the church hall to follow





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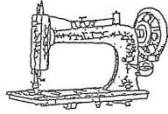
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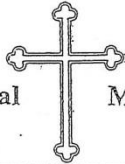
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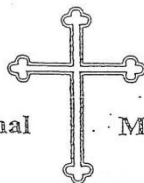
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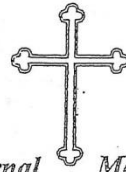
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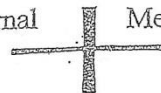


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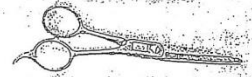
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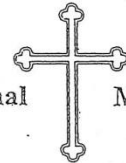
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