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# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

### **PARISH SERVED BY:**

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### **LITURGIES AND SERVICES:**

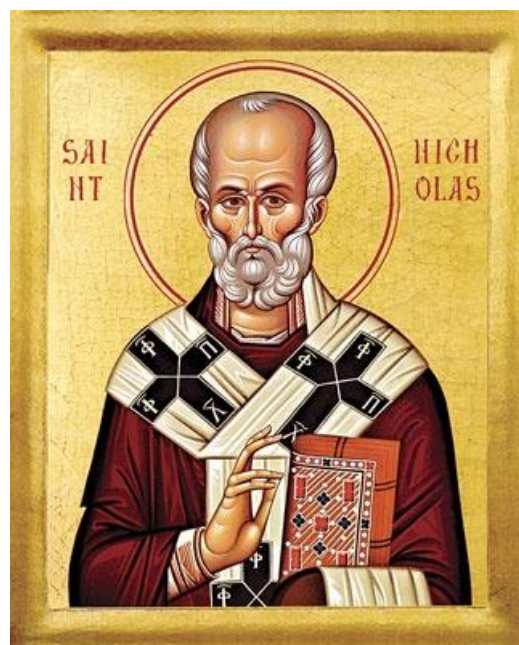
Vesper Divine Liturgy: Saturday, 5:00 PM

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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month 7:00 PM



Saint Nicholas of Myra

### **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 2 – Habakkuk, Prophet**

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

Readings: Gal 3:8-12; Lk 12:32-40

**Sunday, December 3 – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Edith Trigayen**

Readings: Eph 5:5-19; Lk 18:18-27

**12:00n – St. Nicholas Parish Luncheon**

**Monday, December 4 – Barbara; Great Martyr**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 1 Tim 5:1-10; Lk 20:27-44

Readings for St. Barbara: Gal 3:23-29; Mk 5:24-34

**Tuesday, December 5 – Sabbas, Venerable**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

**6:30pm – Divine Liturgy: +Edith Trigayen**

Readings: 1 Tim 5:11-21; Lk 21:12-19

Readings for Father Sabbas: Gal 5:22-6:2; Mt 11:27-30

**Wednesday, December 6 – Nicholas of Myra, Archbishop**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy**

Readings: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

**Thursday, December 7 – Ambrose, Archbishop**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 1 Tim 6:17-21; Lk 21:28-33

**Friday, December 8 – Maternity of the Holy Anna**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy: +Mary Marlene Santo**

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy: Living Intention: William Stone**

Readings: Gal 4:22-31; Lk 8:16-21

**Saturday, December 9 – Pataius, Venerable**

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Jack and Emily Buttle**

Readings: Gal 5:22-6:2; Lk 13:18-29

**Sunday, December 10 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Mary Jo Albright**

Readings: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 17:12-19

2<sup>nd</sup> – **St. Habakkuk**, one of the Twelve Minor Prophets, of the Tribe of Simeon, lived in the 5<sup>th</sup> century B.C. His relics were discovered in the reign of the Emperor Theodosius the Great about A.D. 379

3<sup>rd</sup> – **St. Zephaniah**, Prophet, said to be of the Tribe of Simeon, foretold the judgments of God upon Jerusalem and the ultimate conversion of the Jews. He lived in the 7<sup>th</sup> century B.C. — Our Venerable Father, **Theodulus**, was Prefect of Constantinople A.D. 320.

4<sup>th</sup> – **St. Barbara**, Great Martyr, endured death A.D. 290, during the reign of Diocletian and Maximianus, Emperors. — Our Venerable Father, **St. John Damascene**, Doctor of the Church, born in Syria, educated by St. Comas, succeeded his father as the Caliph's Vizier. He distributed his possessions among the poor, retired to the monastery of St. Sabbas at Jerusalem. Laboring and writing much, he championed the "Faith against the Iconoclast" Emperor Leo the Isaurian, and was sentenced to have his right hand cut off. It was miraculously restored by Our Blessed Lady. By him was composed the beautiful "Canon of the Resurrection." He lived to be 104 years old, died in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 8<sup>th</sup> century A.D.

5<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father, **St. Sabbas**, Hegumen-Abbot. He rendered great service to the Eastern Church against the Eutychian heretics. He died at the age of 94, A.D. 532, in the reign of the Emperor Justinian the Great.

6<sup>th</sup> – Our Holy Father, **Nicholas**, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia, the "Wonderworker." He is the Patron of the Byzantine Rite Catholic Faithful. He also used his large inheritance to assist the poor. He is a very popular Saint among the various nations; also here in the U.S.A. He died in the middle of the 4<sup>th</sup> century A.D. (Confer May 9).

7<sup>th</sup> – Our Holy Father, **Ambrose**, Archbishop of Milan, is one of the four great Doctors of the Western Church. He is a great exegete and orator, by whom St. Augustine was converted and baptized. He died A.D. 387.

8<sup>th</sup> – **Maternity of St. Anna**. The Eastern Church has been celebrating this feast since the 6<sup>th</sup> century to commemorate the conception of the Theotokos by St. Anna. The dogma of the Immaculate Conception (i.e., the preservation from the stain of the first sin) was declared A.D. 1854.

9<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Patapius**, was of Thebes, Egypt, lived as a Hermit in the suburbs of Constantinople.

10<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Mennas, Hermogenes, and Eugephus**, Martyrs, were tortured and beheaded during the reign of Maximian and Diocletian, Emperors, A.D. 304, for spreading Christianity in Egypt.

### **THE CONCEPTION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS BY ST. ANNA**

St. Anna, the mother of the Virgin Mary, was the youngest daughter of the Priest Nathan from Bethlehem, descended from the tribe of Levi. She married St. Joachim, who was a native of Galilee. In accordance with the eternal purpose of God, Who willed to prepare a most pure habitation of Himself in order to take flesh and dwell among men, for a long time St. Anna was childless. After twenty years, through the fervent prayer of both spouses, an Angel of the Lord announced to them the conception of a daughter, who would bring blessing to all the human race. The conception of St. Anna took place at Jerusalem, where also was born the Most Holy Virgin, Mary by name.

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

**NICHOLAS OF MYRA** Vesper Liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm.

**NICHOLAS OF MYRA** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am.

**MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA** Liturgies will be celebrated, Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am and 7:00pm.

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION** will be on the weekend of December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<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.

**TYING OF STRAW** – Volunteers are needed to tie straw after Liturgy on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Please bring scissors.

**ST NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER AND**  
**ARCHBISHOP OF MYRA IN LYCIA**

Saint Nicholas, Archbishop of Myra is transformed in our modern secular culture as Santa Claus — the man in the red suit, who brings gifts at Christmas to all those who are good. It is interesting — and telling — to consider what the Church remembers him for. Yes, he is said to have punched Arias in the nose for denying the divinity of Jesus. But most of the stories that come to us through history are of him living the Christian life — like providing a dowry to three young women so they could marry and avoid slavery (the three bags of gold he threw through their windows landed in their stockings, and so today we hang our stockings by the chimney with care). All of the stories about Archbishop Nicholas that come to us through history are about love for people — especially the poor. St. Nicholas was good. So good that his goodness shines through history — and radiates even from the man in the red suit. Such goodness can only be found in one who dwells intimately with Lord — for He is the only good One (*Mt 19:17*).





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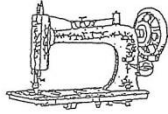
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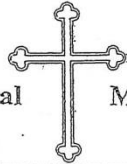
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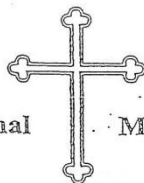
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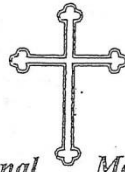
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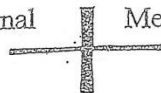


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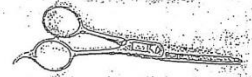
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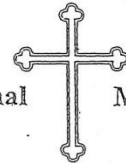
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