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# OUR LADY OF WISDOM

## ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</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 Lucy

### **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 9 – Patapius, 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

**Monday, December 11 – Daniel the Stylite-Venerable**

**Spiridon-Wonderworker, Bishop**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: 2 Tim 2:20-26; Mk 8:11-21

Readings for the Bishop: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

**Tuesday, December 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy:**

**+Eddy Ward and Deceased members of Post 147**

Readings: Heb 9:1-7; Lk 1:39-56

**Wednesday, December 13 – Eustratius and Others, Martyrs**

Readings: 2 Tim 4:9-22; Mk 8:30-34

Readings: Eph 6:10-17; Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday, December 14 – Thyrus and Others, Martyrs**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Titus 1:5-2:1; Mk 9:10-16

**Friday, December 15 – Eleutherius, Bishop Martyr**

**9:00am – Third Hour and Communion**

Readings: Titus 1:15-2:10; Mk 9:33-41

**Saturday, December 16 – Haggai, Prophet**

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy: +Jose Alfonso Roybal**

Readings: Eph 1:16-23; Lk 14:1-11

**Sunday, December 17 – Sunday of the Forefathers**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy: +Mary Marlene Santo**

Readings: Col 3:4-11; Lk 14:16-24

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 Eugraphus**, Martyrs, were tortured and beheaded during the reign of Maximian and Diocletian, Emperors, A.D. 304, for spreading Christianity in Egypt.

11<sup>th</sup> – Our Venerable Father, **Daniel**, Stylite, imitating St. Simeon in the mode of austere life, he spent 30 years on his pillar, miraculously healing many sick people. He died A.D. 492, at the age of 80.

12<sup>th</sup> – **Our Lady of Guadalupe**. — Our Venerable Father, **Spiridon**, Wonderworker. Bishop of Tremyfia. In the persecution under Galerius, Emperor, Spiridon, with many other Christians, was condemned to lose an eye and to slave in the mines. He lived as late of A.D. 347.

13<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Eustratius, Auxentius, Eugene, Mardarius, and Orestes**, Martyrs, suffered martyrdom A.D. 302, at Sebaste in Armenia, under the reign of Diocletian, Emperor. — **St. Lucy**, Virgin-Martyr, endured shameful tortures and indignities. Finally a sword was thrust through her throat A.D. 304, at Syracuse, under the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

14<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Thyrsus, Leucius, Philemon, Apollonius, Arianus, and Callinicus**, Martyrs, suffered under the reign of Emperor Diocletian about A.D. 303.

15<sup>th</sup> – **St. Eleutherius**, Priest-Martyr, endured death A.D. 120, in the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. — Our Venerable Father, **Paul of Latra**, was a holy hermit in Greece, about A.D. 880, in the reign of Basil Macedo, Emperor. **Father, Stephen**, Confessor, Abbot of Sodrozh.

16<sup>th</sup> – **St. Haggai**, Prophet, the tenth of the Twelve Minor Prophets, is believed to have been born during the exile in Babylon and that he lived to see the second temple 516 B.C.

17<sup>th</sup> – **St. Daniel and The Three Youths, SS. Hannaniah, Azariah, and Mishael**. Daniel is the Fourth of the Four Great Prophets. He died a centenarian in Persia in the 5<sup>th</sup> century B.C. The Three Youths were cast into the fiery furnace by the order of King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, but miraculously came out unscathed. (*Daniel 3*)

**Saint Lucy**, Italian Santa Lucia (died 304, Syracuse, Sicily; feast day December 13), virgin and martyr, who was one of the earliest Christian saints to achieve popularity having a widespread following before the 5th century. She is the patron saint of the city of Syracuse (Sicily). Because of various traditions associating her name with light, she came to be thought of as the patron of sight and was depicted by medieval artists carrying a dish containing her eyes.

In actuality, Lucy was probably a victim of the wave of persecution of Christians that occurred late in the reign of the Roman emperor Diocletian. References to her are found in early Roman sacramentaries and, at Syracuse, in an inscription dating from 400 B.C. As evidence of her early fame, two churches are known to have been dedicated to her in Britain before the 8th century, at a time when the land was largely pagan.

One of the patron saints of virgins, St. Lucy is venerated on her feast day, December 13, by a variety of ceremonies. In Sweden, St. Lucia's Day marks the beginning of the Christmas celebration. On that day, the eldest daughter of the family traditionally dresses in a white robe and wears, as a crown, an evergreen wreath studded with candles.

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

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make our St. Nicholas Parish brunch a success.

**MEMORIA ETERNA!** We sadly announce the passing of Dr. William Stone, husband of Judith Stone, who fell asleep on December 7, 2017 after a brief illness.

**CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE** — Non-perishable food and grocery items are now being collected to make up Christmas Dinner boxes. Please leave your donations under the St. Nicholas icon. If you know anyone who needs a food basket for Christmas, please give that information to one of the Church officers or to SubDeacon Paul.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am.

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

**MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS** may be brought to the Parish for the Holy Place beginning Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please tape a card with your loved one's name under the plant and place before the Icon Screen.

++++ **Christmas Celebrations and Information** ++++

**VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:00pm.

**CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am.

**SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.

**FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.





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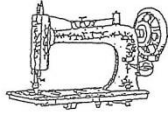
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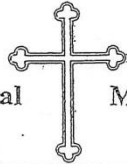
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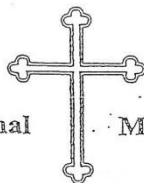
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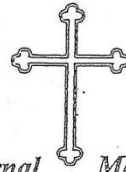
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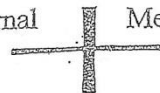


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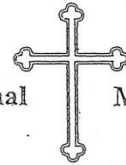
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