

+ Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona, S.T.M., J.C.L., 1943-2017 – Founding Pastor +
Parish established on January 29, 1993 – Church blessed on October 4, 2007

OUR LADY OF WISDOM

ITALO-GREEK BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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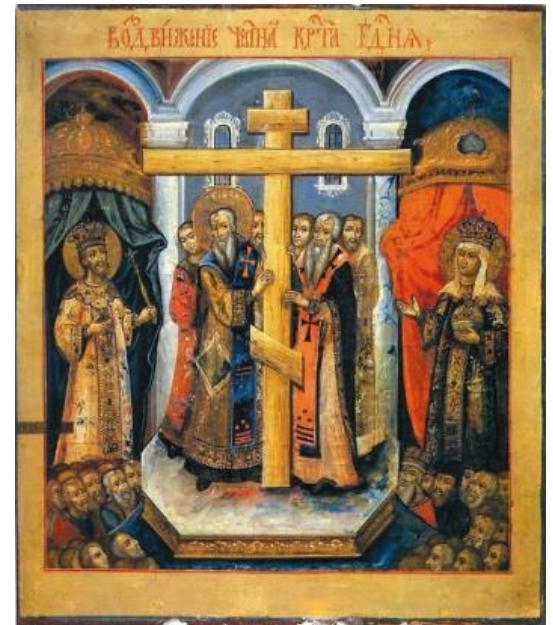
July 28th and 29th, 2018

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
Divine Liturgy – Wednesday 11:00 AM
Divine Liturgy – Friday 11:00 AM



Procession of the Wood of the Venerable
and Life Creating Cross

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, July 28 - Prochorus and Others Apostles

5:00 pm – Vespers Liturgy

Readings: Rom 15:30-33; Mt 17:24-18:4

Sunday, July 29 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy Intention: Pro Popolo

Readings: 1 Cor 4:9-16; Mt 17:14-23

Monday, July 30 – Silas and Others, Apostles

Readings: 2 Cor 2:4-15; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday, July 31 – Eudocimus, Venerable

Readings: 2 Cor 2:14-3:3; Mt 23:23-28

Readings for the Venerable: Gal 5:22-6:2; Mt 11:27-30

**Wednesday, August 1 - Procession of the Cross /
The Holy 7 Maccabees**

11:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Blessing of the Water

Readings: 1 Cor 1:18-24; Jn 19:6-11.13-20.25-28.30-35

Readings for the Day: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 23:29-39

Thursday, August 2 – Translation of the Relics of Stephen

Readings: 2 Cor 4:1-6; Mt 24:13-28

Readings for St. Stephen: Acts 6:8-7:5.47-60; Mt 21:33-42

Friday, August 3 – Isaacius and others, Venerables

11:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Readings: 2 Cor 4:13-18; Mt 24:27-33.42-51

Saturday, August 4 – Seven youths of Ephesus, Martyrs

5:00 pm – Vespers Liturgy

Readings: 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mt 19:3-12

Sunday, August 5 – 11th Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 am – Third Hour

10:30 am – Divine Liturgy Intention: Pro Popolo

Readings: 1 Cor 9:2-12; Mt 18:23-35

28th – **SS. Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas**, Apostles and Deacons, four of the Seven Deacons spoken of in *Acts 6:5*: ‘all having suffered death for Christ.’ — Our Holy Father, **Innocentius**, Pope of Rome. After many hardships, he died A.D. 417.

29th – **St. Callinicus**, Martyr at Gangrae about A. D. 290. — **SS. Seraphina**, Virgin-Martyr, **Theodotia and her Children**, of Syrian origin, adopted daughter of St. Sabina whom she had converted to Christianity at Rome, arrested and beheaded A.D. 122.

30th – **SS. Silas, Silvanus, Criscentus, Hepenetus and Andronicus**, Apostles. — **St. John**, soldier-Martyr, endured death in Caesarea of Cappadocia during the reign of Constantine and Galerius. — **St. Julitta**, Martyr.

31st – **St. Eudocimus**, Venerable, lived in the reign of the Iconoclast Emperor Theophilus.

1st – **Procession of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross**. — Commemoration of the **SS. Seven Machabee Brothers**, Martyrs, their names being **Abim, Antonin, Gurius, Eliazar, Eveson, Alim, Marcell** and their mother **Solomonina**, and their Master, **Eleazer**, martyred 173 B.C., during the reign of Antiochus, son of Seleucius.

2nd – **Translation of the Holy Relics of St. Stephen, the first Martyr and Archdeacon** from Jerusalem to Constantinople during the reign of the Emperor Constantine the Great A.D. 312. — **St. Stephen**, Priest-Martyr, Pope of Rome, **and Others with him**, martyred A.D. 260, during the reign of Valerian and Gallienus, Emperors. Tradition alleges that he was beheaded while seated in his chair before the Altar in the Catacombs.

3rd – **Our Venerable Fathers, Isaacius, Dalmatius and Faustus**. Isaacius died A.D. 368, in the reign of Valens, Emperor. He had predicted the death of Valens, the Arian, going into battle. This prediction fulfilled, Dalmatius and Faustus died in the reign of Theodosius the Great, Emperor (379-395).

4th – **SS. Seven Youth of Ephesus, Martyrs**, their names being: **Maximilian, Dionisius, Amblichus, Martin, Antonin, John and Marcell**. — **St. Eudokia**, Venerable Martyr.

5th – **St. Eusignius**, Martyr, an old soldier in the army of Constantine Chlorus, Emperor who, at the age of 110 years, refused to sacrifice to idols on command of Julian the Apostate, Emperor. He was scourged and beheaded as a Christian at Antioch in Syria A.D. 362.

PROCESSION OF THE WOOD OF THE VENERABLE AND LIFE-CREATING CROSS

This feast was instituted by a mutual agreement of the Greeks and Russians at the time of the Greek Emperor, Manuel, and the Russian Prince, Andrew, in commemoration of the simultaneous victories of the Russians over the Bulgarians and the Greeks over the Saracens. In both of these battles, crosses were carried by the armies from which heavenly rays shone. It was, therefore, instituted that, on August 1, the Cross be carried first to the middle of the Church of the Divine Wisdom [Hagia Sophia] and after that, along the streets for the people to venerate as a commemoration of the miraculous help of the Cross in previous battles. This was not an ordinary cross, but the true Honorable Cross, which was kept in the church of the imperial court. On July 31, the Honorable Cross was carried from the imperial court to the Church of the Holy Wisdom of God and, from there, it was carried along the streets for the consecration of the earth and the air. Finally, on August 14, it was again returned to the church of the imperial palace.

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

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF PERPETAUL HELP – The 19th Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held on August 17th, 18th & 19th in Olympia, WA at St. George’s Byzantine Catholic Parish. The pilgrimage is designed to provide a unique opportunity for the spiritual enrichment of the entire family. If you have no plans for a summer vacation, consider a trip to the Pacific Northwest to enjoy spectacular scenery, and possibly make the trip a Byzantine experience by also visiting our parishes in Portland, OR and Seattle, WA. Brochures are available in the back of the church.

UPCOMING: August 1st Beginning of the Dormition Fast; — August 1st The Holy 7 Maccabees – blessing of the water; — **August 6th Transfiguration of our Lord** – blessing of the honey and fruits; — **August 15th Dormition of the Theotokos** – blessing of the herbs and flowers.

SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS LAMPS – You are invited to sponsor the weekly Sanctuary and Triptychs Lamps in our Church for your intentions. The Sanctuary and Triptychs Lamps are very special candles that remain perpetually lit (near the front and sides of the Church) to honor Our Lord Jesus’ Eucharistic and Mystical Presence. If you are interested in sponsoring a vigil candle, the usual stipend is \$10.00. It will burn from Sunday through Saturday. The bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or the memory of a loved one. Forms will be in the back of the church. Please fill them out and, along with your stipend, place in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please see Fr. Milan.

SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS INTENTIONS:

Nativity Triptych Joseph:

Resurrection Triptych John the Baptist:

Nativity Triptych Our Lady:

Resurrection Triptych Apostles:

Prodigal Son:

Jesus Christ: + Eddie Hein by Marianne Hein

Theotokos: + Victor Greger by Michele Greger

St. Nicholas: Rescuers

Good Shepard:

BE THE CHURCH - The Church is more than a building, it is people: believing people, Baptized people, Chrismated people, surrendered people, people in whom Christ dwells, people who listen to and obey the voice of God, people who have truly committed their lives to Christ as Lord, people who have a personal praying relationship with Him.

The Church is a company of men and women who have put on Christ by being baptized, sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in Chrismation, forgiven of their sins in the Holy Mystery of Reconciliation, and nurtured by the heavenly food in the Holy Mystery of the Eucharist. The Church is the divinely instituted unity of people, united by their Catholic faith; it is the Mystical Body of Christ.

Someone once said: “The holiest moment of a church service is when the Church, God’s people strengthened by Word and Sacrament, go out the door into the world to be the Church for all to see. We do not merely go to church, we **are** the Church. The reason we come to church every Sunday is to listen to Christ, to praise Him, to receive Him within us so that we may go out into the world and be the Church for the rest of the week.

