

+ 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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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00am - 4:30pm

# August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **PARISH SERVED BY:**

Reverend Milan Kasperek, Parochial Administrator  
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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  
Jesus Prayer – Mornings at 6:00 AM



Saint Stephen, King of Hungary

### **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, August 18 – Florus and Laurus Martyrs**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**5:00 pm – Vespers Liturgy *Intention: Pro Popolo***

Readings: 1 Cor 2:5-9, Mt 22:15-22

**Sunday, August 19 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**10:00 am – Third Hour**

**10:30 am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: Madelain Davis***

Readings: 1 Cor 16:13-24, Mt 21:33-42

**Monday, August 20 – Samuel, Prophet / Stephen, King of Hungary**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

Readings: 2 Cor 12:10-19; Mk 4:10-23

**Tuesday, August 21 – Thaddeus Apostle**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

Readings: 2 Cor 12:20-13:2, Mk 4:24-34

**Wednesday, August 22 – Agathonicus and Others Martyrs**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**11:00 am – Divine Liturgy *Intentions of Joseph Caprio***

Readings: 2 Cor 13:3-13, Mk 4:35-41

**Thursday, August 23 – Lupus Martyr**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

Readings: Gal 1:1-10, 20-2:5, Mk 5:1-20

**Friday, August 24 – Eutyches Bishop – Martyr**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**11:00 am – Divine Liturgy *Intentions of Joseph Caprio***

Readings: Gal 2:6-10, Mk 5:22-25; 6:1

**Saturday, August 25 – Return of Relics of Bartholomew, Apostle**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**5:00 pm – Vespers Liturgy *Intention: +Rev Francis Vivona Panachida***

Readings: 1 Cor 4:1-5, Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday, August 26 – 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**6:00 am – Jesus Prayer**

**10:00 am – Third Hour**

**10:30 am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: Pro Popolo***

Readings: 2 Cor 1:21-2:4, Mt 22:1-14

18<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Florus and Laurus**, Martyrs. They were twin brothers and stonecutters by trade, who, for the Faith, were put to death by drowning in a well A.D. 320, under the power of Licinius.

19<sup>th</sup> – **St. Andrew**, a Tribune in the Greek army and with his 2,593 soldiers. Martyrs, who were massacred for the Faith on Mt. Taurus in Silicia A.D. 300, in the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

20<sup>th</sup> – **St. Samuel, Prophet**, in the 11th century B.C. — **St. Stephen the First**, Apostolic King of Hungary, died A.D. 1038. His Right Hand is miraculously kept intact.

21<sup>st</sup> – **St. Thaddeus**, Apostle, one of the 70 Apostles, descendant of a Jewish Family in the city of Edessa and was a disciple of St. John the Baptist-Precursor. He died in peace at Beiruth, in Palestine. — **SS. Bassa** and the children, **Theogonius, Agapius, and Pista (Fidelis)**, Martyrs, suffered death under one of the Diocletian's colleagues about A.D. 304.

22<sup>nd</sup> – **St. Agathonicus** and with him: **Zoticus, Theoprepis** (which means "Grace of God"). **Acindynus and Severianus**, Martyrs, suffered death A.D. 304, during the reign of the Emperor Maximian.

23<sup>rd</sup> – **St. Lupus**, Martyr, died A.D. 278. — **St. Iraeneus, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Lugdun** in Gallia, martyred probably A.D. 210, by Septimus Severus, Emperor. — Our Holy Father, **Callinicus**, Patriarch of Constantinople.

24<sup>th</sup> – **St. Eutyches**, Bishop-Martyr, disciple of John the Theologian, Apostle and Evangelist.

25<sup>th</sup> – **Return of the Relics of Bartholomew**, Apostle. — **St. Titus**, Apostle. Titus was the favored disciple of St. Paul and was his successor as the first Bishop of the island of Crete. He died full of merits about the close of the first century.

26<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Adrian and Natalie**, Martyrs, endured death A.D. 304, during the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

*Glory to Jesus Christ*

### THE FATHERS ON WEALTH AND JUSTICE

The Fathers of the Church spoke out quite explicitly about the need to help the poor in order to ensure that Christian life may be true and that the Holy Mysteries may find their fullness.

- **St. Basil the Great:** he took a strong stance against injustices and excessive taxes. He distributed his goods graciously to the poor, thus practicing charity and inviting his parishioners to do the same. He set up a vast health complex where the poor could receive the help and support they needed.
- **St. Gregory of Nyssa:** he dealt with the social ills of his time, such as usurious rates on loans, indifference and contempt towards the poor. He fought for the recognition of the dignity of the poor and he invited the people to share with them.
- **St. John Chrysostom:** he was the defender of the poor. In his preaching, he lashed out against the ill will of the rich and who accumulated wealth. For him, the poor were the sacraments of God. **St. Ambrose:** he was particularly involved in defending the poor against the rich, loan-sharks and oppressors. He invited his listeners to give alms, which he considered as simply the restitution of goods that belonged to everyone and had been stolen by the rich.
- **St. Augustine:** he said that true poverty, which all of us are called to live, is the distance we must keep with respect to the ownership of things, which allows one to search for God and to belong to God.

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

**MYSTAGOGIA** will be held as follows:

- Monday, August 27 – All the Hours and Divine Liturgy at 7:00pm
- Tuesday, August 28 – All the Hours and Vesper-Divine Liturgy with blessing of Litija with Anointing at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 29 – All the Hours and Divine Liturgy with Anointing at 7:00 pm  
*(Whole Day Strict Abstinence)*

**AUGUST 31<sup>st</sup>** — Deposition of the Cincture of the Theotokos

**SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>** — NEW YEARS VESPERS of Saint Mammias and Breaking of the Plates will be celebrated on Saturday, at 5:00 pm. Please bring a plate from home for the breaking of the plates. We will also be having a Pot Luck that evening.

**SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>** — BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS – blessing of the children.

**SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>** — EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS – blessing of the crosses and basil, strict abstinence from meat or dairy product.

**BIBLE STUDIES September 7 – December 14, 2018** -. Looking to develop your knowledge about Bible and Holy Land? Any questions about the Salvation History? Are you searching for answers in Holy Scripture? Our Bible Studies are for you. Join Our Lady of Wisdom for Bible Studies. All stages of faith are welcome.

**SPIRITUAL RETREAT** – Our parish will be holding a Spiritual Retreat September 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>. Please watch for additional details in our bulletin.

**UPCOMING INPORTANT EVENTS:** Mark your calendars and watch for further information in the bulletin:

- **CHRISTMAS DINNER** — December 24<sup>th</sup> – Traditional Dinner and Great Compline
- **NEW YEAR'S EVE** — December 31<sup>st</sup> – Dinner, Prayers and New Year's Blessing
- **ICON WRITING WORKSHOP** — January 14<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup> – Icon of Jesus from Sinai

**PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP** The 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held September 1 & 2 at Mount St. Macrina, Uniontown, PA. “During this 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage, we honor our most Holy Mother under the title of ‘Hope of All Generations.’ Young or old, we can always come to Mary and know that she is there to help us and intercede for us before her beloved Son, Jesus. There is never a time when she is not ready to listen.” (Sr. Ruth Plante, OSBM) Brochures are available in the small hall.

**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:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Resurrection Triptych John the Baptist:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Nativity Triptych Our Lady:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Resurrection Triptych Apostles:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Prodigal Son:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Jesus Christ:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Theotokos:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- St. Nicholas:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona
- Good Shepard:** +Archimandrite Father Francis Vivona

