

+ Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona, S.T.M., J.C.L., 1943-2017 – Founding Pastor +
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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

January 12th and 13th, 2019

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
Jesus Prayer – Daily 6:00 AM



Saint Tatiana

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 BORN! GLORIFY HIM!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 12th – Saturday after Theophany

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

5:00pm – Vespers Liturgy: *Intention: Sirgo Guia family by Sandra Sigo*

Readings: Eph 6:10-17; Mt 4:1-11

Sunday, January 13th – SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

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

Readings: Eph 4:7-13; Mt 4:12-17

Monday, January 14th – Venerable Fathers of Sinai and Raitho

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

9:00am – Liturgy *Intention:*

Readings: Heb 8:7-13; Mk 8:11-21

Tuesday, January 15th – Paul and John, Venerables

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

9:00am – Liturgy *Intention:*

Readings: Heb 9:8:10.15-23; Mk 8:22-26

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

Wednesday, January 16th – Veneration of the Chains of Peter

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

9:00am – Liturgy *Intention:*

Readings: Heb 10:1-18; Mk 8:30-34

Readings for the Apostle: Acts 12:1-11; Jn 21:15-25

Thursday, January 17th – Anthony the Great, Venerable

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

9:00am – Liturgy *Intention:*

Readings: Heb 10:35-11:7; Mk 9:10-16

Readings for St. Anthony: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

Friday, January 18th – Athanasius & Cyril, Archbishops

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

9:00am – Liturgy *Intention: Mary Marlene Santo +Panachida*

Readings: Heb 11:8:11-16; Mk 9:33-41

Readings for the Fathers: Heb 13:7-16; Mt 5:14-19

Saturday, January 19th – Macarius, Venerable

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

5:00pm – Vespers Liturgy: *Intention: Eddie Hein by Marianne Hein +Panachida*

Readings: Eph 5:1-8; Lk 14:1-11

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

Sunday, January 20th – 35th – SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

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

Readings: Col 3:12-16; Lk 18:18-27

12th – **St. Tatiana**, Martyr, lived in A.D. 227, in the reign of Alexander. Her father, was a Soldier and Elder of the city; after many tortures, she died by the sword along with her father.

13th – **SS. Hermolaus and Stratonicus**, Martyrs. Deacon of Singudunum (Belgrade) and his servant were tortured and drowned in the River Danube A.D. 315, under Licinius, Emperor.

14th – **Our Venerable Father of Sinai and Raitho**, suffered martyrdom from the Sarcens A.D. 296, during the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

15th – **Our Venerable Fathers, Paul of Thebes and John the “Tent-Dweller.”** Paul was the First Hermit. He fled into the desert of Egypt during the reign of Emperor Decius and died about A.D. 343. John was of famous parentage and received tonsure in the monastery of the Cenobites in the reign of Leo the Great, Emperor (457-475).

16th – **Veneration of the Venerable Chains of St. Peter**, the all praiseworthy Apostle. The chains with which St. Peter was bound in the prison were preserved at the station church on the Esquiline in Rome and, in the Middle Ages, attracted numerous Pilgrims.

17th – **Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father, Anthony the Great**; an Egyptian by birth, who went into the desert during the reign of Constantine the Great in the year A.D. 312. Living to the age of 105, he died A.D. 356. He was a friend of St. Paul the Hermit and was one of the founders of the cenobitical life.

18th **Our Holy Fathers, Athanasius and Cyril**, Archbishops of Alexandria. St. Athanasius is one of the four great doctors of the Byzantine Rite church: called the “Father of Orthodoxy.” He opposed the Arians with admirable zeal and endured exile for 46 years. He died in A.D. 373. (*Confer May 2*). St Cyril opposed the Nestorians and taught that the divine and human natures in Christ are united in oneness of person and that the Blessed Virgin ought truly to be called the Mother of God. He presided over the 3rd Ecumenical Council at Ephesus, A.D. 431. He died in A.D. 444. (*Confer June 9*).

19th – Our Venerable Fathers, **Macarius of Egypt**, A.D. 373, and **Macarius of Alexandria**, Monks. Date of deathe, A.D. 395, in the reign of Theodosius the Great, Emperor. — **St. Euphrosinia**, Virgin.

20th – Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father, **Euthymius the Great**, Hegumen-Abbot. Lived at the time of the reign of Arcadius and Honorius, Emperors. Died in the year A.D. 473.

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

UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS Mark your calendars and watch for further information.

ICON WRITING WORKSHOP - January 14th through 18th - Icon of Jesus from Sinai

- **01-14-2019 9:00am -6:00pm**
- **01-15-2019 9:00am -6:00pm**
- **01-16-2019 9:00am -6:00pm**
- **01-17-2019 9:00am -3:00pm**
- **01-18-2019 9:00am -6:00pm**

SPIRITUAL RETREAT with Christ the Bridegroom Monastery held February 8-10, 2019:

- **02-08-2019 5:30 PM – Divine Liturgy followed Talk by Mother Theodora and Social**
- **02-09-2019 3:00 PM – Spiritual Talk by Bridegrooms, 5:00PM Vesper + Divine Liturgy**
- **02-10-2019 10:30 AM – Divine Liturgy and Social; opportunity for confession**

CONFERENCE AT THE CATHEDRAL in Phoenix; Safe environment, Accounting and Evangelization held February 19-21, 2019.

SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS LAMPS - The Sanctuary and Triptychs Lamps are very special candles that remain perpetually lit to honor Our Lord Jesus' Eucharistic and Mystical Presence. If you are interested in sponsoring a vigil candle, the usual stipend is \$10.00. Forms will be in the back of the church. Please fill them out and, along with your stipend, place in the collection basket or see Fr. Milan.

SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS INTENTIONS:

Nativity Triptych Joseph: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Resurrection Triptych John the Baptist: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Nativity Triptych Our Lady: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Resurrection Triptych Apostles: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Prodigal Son: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Saint John the Baptist, Forerunner: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Jesus Christ: Alyce Dietz Mann, Brent & Carlin St George, Marie Whitmyer, Gordon Ellis

Theotokos: Memory of Liam Nanich Hearne by Richard & Patricia Russell

St. Nicholas: +Victor Greger by Michele Greger

Good Shepard: +Rt. Rev Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

The Holy Virgin Martyr Tatiana was born into an illustrious Roman family and her father was elected consul three times. He was secretly a Christian and raised his daughter to be devoted to God and the Church. When she reached the age of maturity, Tatiana decided to remain a virgin, betrothing herself to Christ. Disdaining earthly riches, she sought, instead, the imperishable wealth of Heaven. She was made a deaconess in one of the Roman churches and served God in fasting and prayer, tending the sick and helping the needy. When Rome was ruled by the sixteen-year-old Alexander Severus (222-235), all power was concentrated in the hands of the Regent, Ulpian, an evil enemy and persecutor of Christians. Christian blood flowed like water. Tatiana was also arrested and they brought her into the temple of Apollo to force her to offer sacrifice to the idol. The saint began praying and, suddenly, there was an earthquake. The idol was smashed into pieces, and part of the temple collapsed and fell down on the pagan priests and many pagans. The demon inhabiting the idol fled, screeching, from that place. Those present saw its shadow flying through the air. Then they tore holy virgin's eyes out with hooks, but she bravely endured everything, praying for her tormentors that the Lord would open their spiritual eyes. And the Lord heard the prayer of His servant. The executioners saw four angels encircle the saint and beat her tormentors. A voice was heard from the heavens, speaking to the holy virgin. Eight men believed in Christ and fell on their knees before Saint Tatiana, begging them to forgive them their sin against her. For confessing themselves Christians, they were tortured and executed, receiving Baptism by blood. The next day, Saint Tatiana was brought before the wicked judge. Seeing her completely healed of all her wounds, they stripped her and beat her, and slashed her body with razors. A wondrous fragrance then filled the air. Then, she was stretched out on the ground and beaten for so long that the servants had to be replaced several times. The torturers became exhausted and said that an invisible power was beating them with iron rods. Indeed, the angels warded off the blows directed at her and turned them upon the tormentors, causing nine of them to fall dead. They then threw the saint in prison, where she prayed all night and sang praises to the Lord with the angels. A new morning began and they took Saint Tatiana to the tribunal once more. The torturers beheld, with astonishment, that, after such terrible torments, she appeared completely healthy and even more radiant and beautiful than before. They began to urge her to offer sacrifice to the goddess Diana. The saint seemed agreeable and they took her to the heathen temple. Saint Tatiana made the Sign of the Cross and began to pray. Suddenly, there was a crash of deafening thunder and lightning struck the idol, the sacrificial offerings and the pagan priests. Once again, the martyr was fiercely tortured. She was hung up and scraped with iron claws, and her breasts were cut off. That night, angels appeared to her in prison and healed her wounds as before. On the following day, they took Saint Tatiana to the circus and loosed a hungry lion on her. The beast did not harm the saint, but meekly licked her feet. As they were taking the lion back to its cage, it killed one of the torturers. They threw Tatiana into a fire, but the fire did not harm the martyr. The pagans, thinking that she was a sorceress, cut her hair to take away her magical powers, then, locked her up in the temple of Zeus. On the third day, pagan priests came to the temple intending to offer sacrifice to Zeus. They beheld the idol on the floor, shattered to pieces, and the holy martyr Tatiana joyously praising the Lord Jesus Christ. The judge then condemned the valiant sufferer to be beheaded with a sword. Her father was also executed with her, because he had raised her to love Christ.

