

+ 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

March 23rd and 24th, 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
Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts – Wednesday 7:00 PM
Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts – Friday 7:00 PM
Jesus Prayer – Monday - Sunday 6:00 AM



Veneration of the Holy 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, March 23rd – 3rd All Souls Saturday

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

11:00am – Divine Liturgy; +Panachida

Readings: Thess 4:13-17; Jn 5:24-30

**5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy; Intention: +Daniel Camillo & Panachida
by Drechsler Family**

Readings: Heb 10:32-38; Mk 2:14-17

Sunday, March 24th – 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast

Veneration of the Cross

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy; Intention: Pro Populo

Readings: Heb 4:14-5:6; Mk 8:34-9:1

Monday, March 25th – Annunciation of the Theotokos

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

11:00am – Divine Liturgy Intention: + Michael Spencer

7:00pm – Divine Liturgy Intention: Propulo

Readings:

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

7:00pm – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts Intention: Holy Spirit

Readings: Gen 9:18-10:1; Prov 12:23-13:9

**Thursday, March 28th – Venerable Father Hilary the Younger
Holy Stephen the Wonderworker**

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

Readings Gen 10:32-11:9; Prov 13:19-14:6

Friday, March 29th – Venerable Mark, Deacon Cyril and Other Martyrs

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

7:00pm – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Readings: Gen 12:1—7; Prov 14:15-26

Saturday, March 30th – 4th All Souls Saturday

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

11:00am – Divine Liturgy; +Panachida

Readings: Thess 4:13-17; Jn 5:24-30

5:00pm – Vesper Liturgy Intention: Stephen Drechsler by Patty Drechsler

Readings: Heb 6:9-12; Mk 7:31-37

**Sunday, March 31st – 4th Sunday of the Great Fast /
Our Holy Father John Climacus**

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy Intention: Pro Populo

Readings Heb 6:13-20; Mk 9:17-31

Readings for St. John: Eph 5:9-19; Mt 4:25-5:12

23rd – **Feast of St. George**, the Glorious Great-Martyr and Wonderworker. He refused to sacrifice to the gods, was tortured and beheaded at Nicomedia in Asia Minor. — **St. Alexandra**, Martyr, wife of Emperor Diocletian. Both George and Alexandra were martyred in the reign of Diocletian, about A.D. 296.

24th – Our Venerable Father, **Zachary** and **James**, Confessor. — Our Holy Father **Artemius**, Bishop of Thessalonica, a “Seuleucian by birth, he was elevated to the Bishopric by St. Paul the Apostle. — **St. Artemon**, Martyr-Presbyter of Laodices, was burned to death A.D. 305 under Diocletian, Emperor.

25th – **Annunciation of the Theotokos** made by the Archangel Gabriel. (This Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated from the 5th century.)

26th – **Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel**. His chief ministry to mankind was his appearing to the Blessed Virgin Mary to tell her that she was chosen Mother of the Messias. St. Gabriel was the Angel sent to Zachary also, to announce the conception of St. John the Baptist.

27th – Our Holy Mother, **Matrona of Seluna, Martyr**, was imprisoned and cruelly tortured with fire to death.

28th – Our Venerable Father, **Hilary**, Monk, and **St. Stephen**, Wonderworker, died during the reign of Leo the Armenian. — **St. Jonas** and his brother, **St. Barachisius** of Bethasa, Martyrs, and others, suffered cruel tortures under King Sapor of Persia and died A.D. 327, in the reign of Constantine, Emperor.

29th – **Our Venerable Father, Mark**, Bishop of Arethusa, and **Cyril**, a Palestinian Deacon, and **other Martyrs**, suffered death from tortures under Julian the Apostate A.D. 362, for destruction of idol temples.

30th – Our Venerable Father, **John Climacus**, Hegumen-Abbot, born in Palestine. At the age of 16, he declined a brilliant worldly future and retired to a Monastery on Mt. Sinai where, at the age of 75, was chosen Hegumen-Abbot. He wrote the famous “Ladder of Perfection.” He died A.D. 605. — Venerable **John the Silent**, Bishop of Colonia, in Armenia. Resigned his Bishopric and retired into the Monastery of St. Sabbas where, concealing the fact that he was a Bishop, he did menial work. Called for ordination by St. Sabas, his true state was revealed in confidence. Aged 104, he died A.D. 558.

31st – Venerable Father, **Hypatius**, Bishop of Gangra, in Paphlagonia (Asia Minor), he attended the Ecumenical Council of Nicea A.D. 325 and defended the Faith. Returning from Nicea, heretics attacked and stoned him to death, during the reign of Constantine the Great, Emperor.

“Before Thy Cross, we bow down, O Master, and Thy Holy Resurrection, we Glorify.”

The Church presents the Cross to the faithful in the middle of the Forty Days in order, by this recollection of the sufferings of the Lord’s death, to encourage and fortify those who fast to continue their labor of fasting. The Veneration of the Cross continues throughout the 4th week of the fast until Friday, and this is why the entire 4th week is called ‘the Week of the Veneration of the Cross.’

“The Cross is the guardian of the whole world; the Cross is the beauty of the Church; the Cross is the might of kings; the Cross is the strengthening of the faithful; the Cross, angels glory and wound demons.” Thus does one of the Church’s hymns explain the significance of the Cross for the whole world: *“By dipping the pen of the cross in the red ink of Thy Blood, Thou O Lord didst, as King, sign the forgiveness of our sins”* says one of the stichera for the Feast.

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

MOVIE NIGHT will be Monday, March 25th at 5:30 PM, in our Social Hall.

EPARCHIAL APPEAL: By now, all registered parishioners should have received a letter from Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted, the Apostolic Administrator for our Eparchy. Like last year, the Eparchy is asking each household to donate a minimum of \$275.00 to help with its ministries and programs. This year, our Parish goal is \$17,050. Last year's appeal enabled the Eparchy to purchase new computer equipment for all the parishes, including Our Lady of Wisdom. In addition, the Appeal funds clergy gatherings, some seminarian expenses, website development, and other projects. This year, the Eparchy is also sponsoring workshops, which took place in Phoenix two weeks ago (*Feb. 19-21*) to which we sent three delegate parishioners, who brought back new knowledge and ideas for our parish! Eparchial Appeal donations can be made through the Parish by cash or check, payable to Our Lady of Wisdom Church, or directly to the Eparchy while crediting Our Lady of Wisdom as your parish of record. This second option allows you to donate by credit card or online (in addition to check). Thank you for your generosity!

COLLECTION OF ROSARIES FOR INDIA AND AFRICA – Dear Parishioners, you are invited to participate in the collection of rosaries for the poor of Africa and India until Easter. We are asking you to bring your rosaries that you wish to donate to Church. We will collect all of them until Easter and then send them to that region. Please remember that the people in Africa and India do not have anything else except God and Blessed Lady. Please help the persecuted church to grow in its Faith.

EASTER BASKETS – Our Parish will be distributing Easter Baskets to those in need. We ask you to please donate non-perishable food items and place them under the icon of Saint Nicholas.

EASTER SAUSAGE – Sausage are available for only \$7.00 lb. See Fr. Milan.

SANDWICHES FOR THE POOR: Sunday, March 31st, after Divine Liturgy, please bring bread, peanut butter, jelly, and chips to prepare sandwiches for those in need.

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: *Joseph and Marlene Caprio and Family*

Resurrection Triptych John the Baptist: *Anthony Carnota and Family*

Nativity Triptych Our Lady: *Victor and Becky Cole and Family*

Resurrection Triptych Apostles: *Betty Decker and Family*

Prodigal Son: *Lawrence and Maria Dobos and Family*

Saint John the Baptist, Forerunner: *Robert Dorsey and Family*

Jesus Christ: *Stephen and Patricia Drechsler and Family*

Theotokos: *Robert and Clotilde Dunson and Family*

St. Nicholas: *George and Cedilia Eliades and Family*

Good Shepard: *Laura Escamilla and Family*

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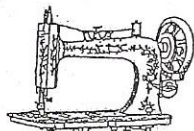
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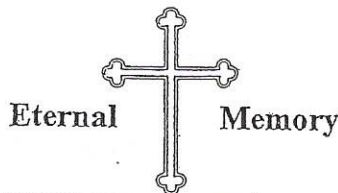


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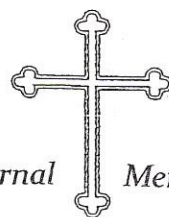


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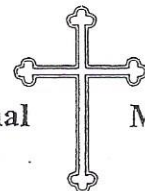
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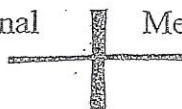


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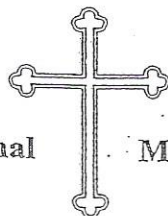
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