

+ 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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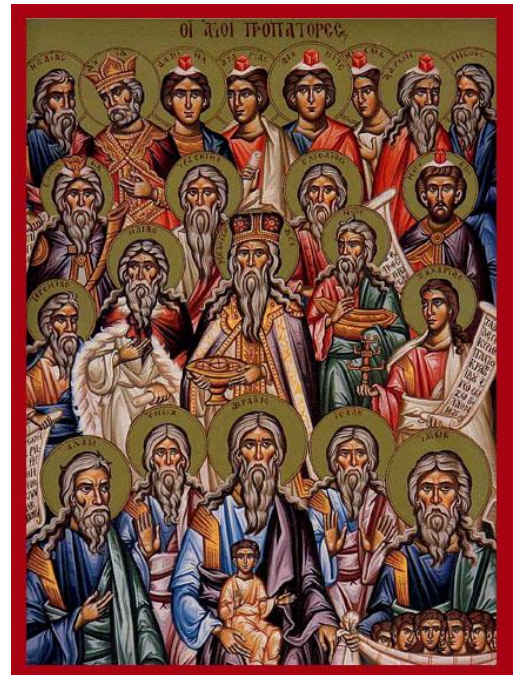
December 14th and 15th, 2019

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 – Tuesday 11:00 AM
Divine Liturgy – Wednesday 11:00 AM
Divine Liturgy – Thursday 7:00 PM
Divine Liturgy – Friday 11:00 AM
Jesus Prayer – Monday - Sunday 6:00 AM



Sunday of the Forefathers

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 14th – Thyrsus and Other Martyrs

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy *Intention: Akela Danovich*

Readings: Gal 5:22-6:2; Lk 14:1-11

Sunday, December 15th – SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

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

Monday, December 16th – Haggai, Prophet

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

Readings: 2 Tim 2:20-26; Mk 9:42-10:1

Tuesday, December 17th – Daniel, Great Prophet

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

11:00am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: Harry, Vanessa, Sebastian, Michael and Ellie Eliades*

Readings: 2 Tim 3:16-4:4; Mk 10:2-12

Wednesday, December 18th – Sebastian and Others Martyrs

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

11:00am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: + Jose Navarrete*

Readings: 2 Tim 4:9-22; Mk 10:11-16

Thursday, December 19th – Boniface, Martyr

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

7:00pm – Divine Liturgy *Intention: Michael & Karen Eliades*

Readings: Titus 1:5-2:1; Mk 10:17-27

Friday, December 20th – Ignatius, Bishop-Martyr

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

5:00pm – Divine Liturgy *Intention: + In loving memory Eddie Hein by Marianne Hein*

Readings: Titus 1:15-2:10; Mk 10:23-32

Saturday, December 21st – Saturday Before Christmas / Juliana, Martyr

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy

Intention: + Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Francis M. Vivona

Readings: Gal 3:8-12; Lk 13:18-29

Sunday, December 22nd – SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS OF THE ANCESTORS

6:00am – Jesus Prayer

10:00am – Third Hour

10:30am – Divine Liturgy *Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: Heb 11:9-10.17-23.32-40; Mt 1:1-25

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

15th – **St. Eleutherius**, Bishop-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.

16th – **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 2nd temple 516 B.C.

17th – **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 5th 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*)

18th – **SS. Sebastian and Companion** were put to death A.D. 292, during the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

19th – **St. Boniface**, Martyr, put to death A.D. 290, in the reign of Diocletian, Emperor.

20th – **St. Ignatius**, ‘God Bearer,’ Priest-Martyr Bishop at Antioch.

21st – **St. Juliana**, Virgin-Martyr from Nicomedia, was beheaded A.D. 306, in the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

22nd – **St. Anastasia**, Great Martyr, was a famous Roman matron of noble birth, a spiritual pupil of St. Chrysogonus. She was imprisoned, tortured, and burned alive for the Faith A.D. 304, in the reign of the Emperor Diocletian.

**GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!
GLORY TO HIM FOREVER!!**

THIS YEAR OUR LADY OF WISDOM PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR OUR FAMILIES AND FR. STEPHEN CASMUS

Beginning December 1st, Read one chapter of the Book of Luke in the Bible each evening with family. There are 24 chapters. On Christmas Eve, you will have read an entire account of Jesus’s Life and wake up Christmas morning Knowing WHO and WHY we Celebrate!

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

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

- **TYING OF STRAW** —Volunteers are needed to tie straw after Liturgy on Sunday, December 22nd. Please bring scissors.
- **Christmas Dinner** – December 24th – Traditional Dinner and Great Compline
- **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, see Father Milan.
- **MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS** may be brought to the Parish for the Holy Place beginning Monday, December 17th. Please tape a card with your loved one's name under the plant and place before the Icon Screen.

EVERY WEDNESDAY PLEASE, COME AND HELP — We are making 50 lunch bags after the Divine Liturgy. They are delivered by Catholic Workers on Thursdays to the homeless. Please donate bottled water, bread, and food that we can put in lunch bags. For this Wednesday, please make arrangement.

++++ **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS AND INFORMATION** ++++

- **THIRD HOUR** will be celebrated December 19, 20, 21, and 22 before Liturgy, as preparation for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ
- **VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 24th, beginning at 5:00pm. Traditional Christmas Dinner will follow
- **CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 25th, at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am.
- **SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS** Divine Liturgies will be celebrated on Thursday, December 26th, at 11:00am and 7:00pm.
- **FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR** Divine Liturgies will be celebrated Friday, December 27th at 11:00am and 7:00pm.
- **CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD and BASIL THE GREAT, ARCHBISHOP** will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 1st, at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am.
- **THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD** Divine Liturgy will be on January 6th at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am followed by Great blessing (Consecration) of the Water.

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:

Resurrection Triptych John, Baptist:

Nativity Triptych Our Lady:

Resurrection Triptych Apostles:

Prodigal Son:

Saint John the Baptist, Forerunner:

Jesus Christ:

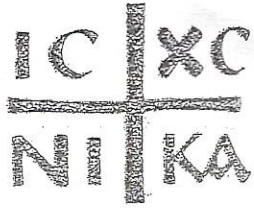
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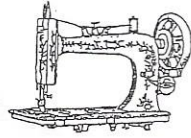
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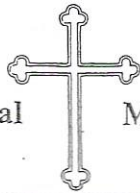
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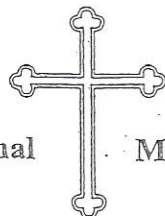


*John and Margaret Lynott
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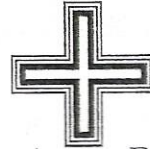
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Our Papas
Fr. Francis M. Vivona
Founding Pastor of
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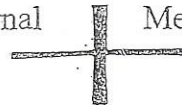


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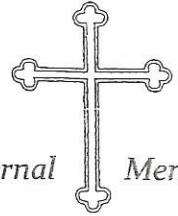
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Milton "Jack" Buttle
- and -
Third Matriarch
Emily Buttle

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Alicia Casmus



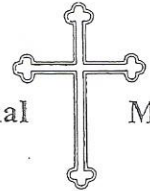
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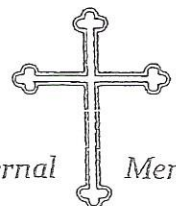
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