

+ 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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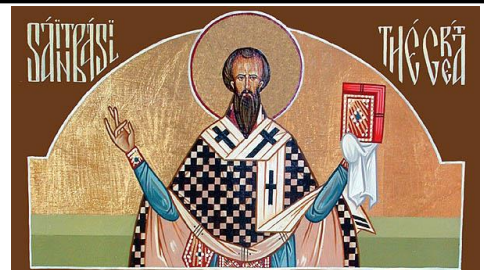
# *December 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019*

### 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



Basil the Great, Archbishop  
Circumcision of Our Lord, Jesus

### 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 28<sup>th</sup> – Martyr Saturday after Christmas**  
**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy** *Intention: Linda Sears*  
*by Carol Fischbach*

Readings: 1 Tim 6:11-16; Mt 12:15-21

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> – SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**  
**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*  
Readings: Gal 1:11-19; Mt 2:13-23

**Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup> – Anysia, Venerable Martyr**  
Readings: Heb 3:5-11.17-19; Lk 20:27-44

**Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – Melany, Venerable**  
**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Vinzent Pellegrino*  
*by George Eliades*  
Readings: Heb 9:8-10.15-23; Lk 21:12-18

**Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD**  
**BASIL THE GREAT, ARCHBISHOP**

**10:00am – Third Hour**  
**10:30am – Divine Liturgy with Anointing**  
*Intention: +Mary Marlene Santo with Panachida*  
Readings: Col 2:8-12; Heb 7:26-8:2; Lk 2:20-21.40-52; Lk 6:17-23

**Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sylvester, Pope**  
**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy**  
Readings: Heb 10:35-11:7; Lk 21:28-33

**Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> – Malachy, Prophet**  
**11:00am – Royal Hours**

**Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Before Theophany**  
**Synaxis of the 70 Apostles**  
**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy**  
*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*  
Readings: 1 Tim 3:14-4:5; Mt 3:1-11

**Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> – SUNDAY BEFOR THEPHANY**  
**10:00am – Third Hour**  
**10:30am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Rebecca Ellen Glantz*  
*by Denis Sedor with Panachida*  
Readings: 2 Tim 4:5-8; Mk 1:1-8  
**3:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy with Anointing**  
**Blessing -Consecration of Water**  
*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*  
Readings: 1 Cor 9:19-27; Lk 3:1-18

28<sup>th</sup> – **20,000 Martyrs in Nicomedia**, who were burned to death in church on Christmas Day A.D. 286, during the reign of Diocletian and Maximian, Emperors. — **St. Domna**, Martyr.

29<sup>th</sup> – **The Holy Innocents**, 14,000 in number, in Bethlehem and within the borders of Judea, put to death for Jesus Christ by the order of King Herod. — Our Venerable Father, **Marcellus**, Hegumen-Abbot of the monastic order of the Acoemetes, so named because they recited their Divine Office day and night without interruption. He died about A.D. 485.

30<sup>th</sup> – **St. Anysia**, a Christian woman, was arrested at Thessalonica when she entered the city to attend the meeting of the Faithful and was put to death A.D. 304, in the reign of the Emperor Maximian Galerius. — **Venerable Zoticus**, a holy priest of Rome, who went to Constantinople where he established hospitals and havens of refuge for poor A.D. 344.

31<sup>st</sup> – **Venerable Melany**, a Roman Lady who, with her husband, sold their possessions, distributed the proceeds to the poor, and went into monasteries. She died A.D. 439.

1<sup>st</sup> – **Feast of Circumcision of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ**. The name of Jesus given to the child on this occasion means “Saviour.” — **The Feast of St. Basil the Great**, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia, most famous of the Byzantine Church, and one of the four great Doctors called also “Patriarch of the Eastern Monks.” He died A.D. 379 (*cf: January 30*).

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Our Holy Father, Sylvester**, Pope of Rome, under his Pontificate was held the First Ecumenical Council at Nicea A.D. 325, the decrees of which were approved by him. He died A.D. 335, during the reign of Constantine the Great, Emperor.

3<sup>rd</sup> – **St. Malachy, Prophet**. 400 B.C. — **St. Gordius, Martyr**, who suffered death A.D. 320, during the reign of Licinius, Emperor.

4<sup>th</sup> – **Synaxis of 70 Apostles**, whose names St. Dorotheus recorded. — Our Venerable Father, **Theoktistus**, Hegumen-Abbot in Cucume of Sykeleia.

5<sup>th</sup> – **SS. Theopemptus and Theonas**, Martyrs, martyred A.D. 290, during the reign of Diocletian. — **Syncretica**, Venerable — **St. Micah**, Prophet.

## CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!!

### THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

In accordance with the Old Testament Law, all male infants should be circumcised on the eighth day from birth. Therefore, Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day after His Nativity. This circumcision of the flesh was a type of the circumcision of the heart, which is carried out by God Himself. Concerning this second spiritual circumcision, the Apostle Paul says: “You are circumcised with a circumcision not done by hand, in putting off the sinful body of the flesh, by the Circumcision of Christ. (*Col 2-11*)

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

**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.

**CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD and BASIL THE GREAT ARCHBISHOP** will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am.

**THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD** Divine Liturgies will be on January 5<sup>th</sup> with Vesper Divine Liturgy at 3:00pm and January 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Third Hour begins at 10:00am followed by Great blessing (Consecration) of the Water, please bring the containers for the water.

### **VERSES FROM THE MOLEBEN TO BASIL THE GREAT**

O Holy Father Basil, as a faithful sheep of Christ, you followed in the life-giving footsteps of the Shepherd. You courageously delivered your life into the hands of the tyrant, O blessed Father, exposing yourself to danger for the sake of the Church.

The enemy saw the holiness of the Church of Christ, adorned with the splendor of your sanctity, O wise one. The persecutor was shaken as if by thunder, and he fell because he could not endure the Holy Spirit whose brightness you reflected.

O Holy Father Basil, you became worthy of the chair of the apostles, the ranks of the martyrs of Christ, the tabernacles of the patriarchs, the delight of the holy ones, and the company of the prophets. You were a friend of the Theotokos and a servant of the holy Trinity.

You walked the arduous path of virtue and at last arrived at the smooth and gradual ascent to heaven. In this way you became an example for all, O Holy Father Basil.

You have been familiar with ineffable things, O Holy Father, and initiated many into the kingdom of Christ, having plainly made the light of the Trinity shine upon us.

Desiring to sing your praises, O Holy Basil, we need the greatness of your voice; but since you are understanding, O Father, receive our prayer and obtain for us an abundance of grace.

**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:**

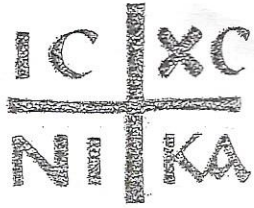
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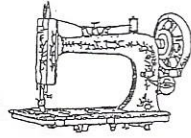
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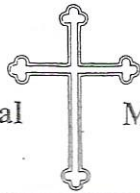
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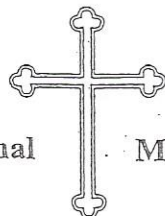


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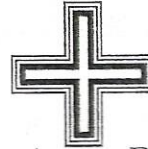
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Michael and  
Jamie St. George**



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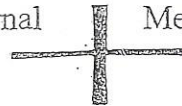


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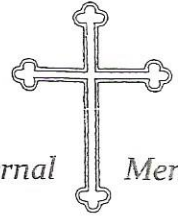
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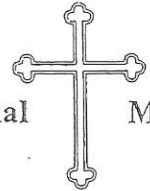
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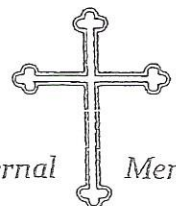
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