

+ 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 – 3:00pm

# January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### PARISH SERVED BY:

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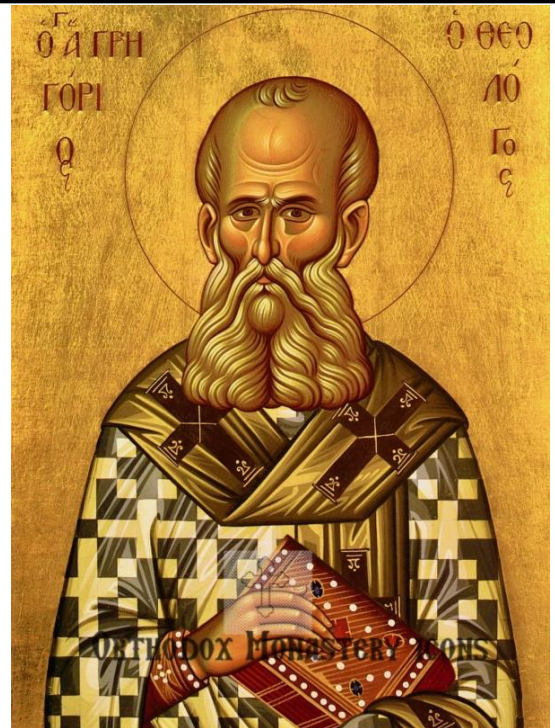
### THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES AND SERVICES:

#### WEEKEND LITURGIES:

Vesper Divine Liturgy: Saturday, 5:00 PM  
Third Hour – Sunday: 10:00 AM  
Divine Liturgy – Sunday 10:30 AM  
Divine Liturgy – Sunday 4:00 PM Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mission

#### WEEKDAY LITURGIES:

Divine Liturgy – Monday 11:00 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



St. Gregory, Theologian

### 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, January 18<sup>th</sup> – Athanasius & Cyril, Archbishops**  
**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy**

*Intention: +Daria Drechsler by Drechsler Family  
with Panachida (Sophia Kozak, Dmitro & Daria Drechsler)*

Readings: Col 1:3-6; Lk 16:10-15

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

**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> – 32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

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

**4:00pm – Divine Liturgy at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission**

*Intention: In memory of Kind priest*

Readings: 1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 18:35-43

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> – Euthymius the Great, Venerable**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Dmitro Drechsler*

Readings: Heb 13:17-21; Lk 6:17-23

Readings for the Day: James 2:14-26; Mk 10:46-52

**Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> – Maximus the Confessor**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: John Danovich*

Readings: James 3:1-10; Mk 11:11-23

**Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Timothy, Apostle; Anastasius, Martyr**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: Anna Pirrelli*

*by Stephen and Patty Drechsler*

Readings: James 3:11-4:6; Mk 11:23-26

Readings for St. Timothy: 2 Tim 3:1-9; Lk 10:1-15

**Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> – Clement of Ancyra**

**7:00pm – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Michael Spencer*

Readings: James 4:7-5:9; Mk 11:27-33

Readings for the Saint: Heb 13:7-16; Lk 8:16-21

**Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> – Xenia, Venerable**

**11:00am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: End of USA abortion on demand*

Readings: 1 Pet 1:1-2.10-12; 2:6-10; Mk 12:1-12

**Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> – Gregory the Theologian, Bishop**

**5:00pm – Vesper Divine Liturgy** *Intention: +Eddie Hein*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Passing with Panachida*

Readings: 1 Cor 12:7-11; Jn 10:9-16

Readings for the Day: 1 Thes 5:14-23; Lk 17:3-10

**Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> – 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS**

**10:00am – Third Hour**

**10:30am – Divine Liturgy** *Intention: + Paul Parquette with Panachida*

**4:00pm – Divine Liturgy at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission**

*Intention: People of Our Lady of Wisdom*

Readings: 1 Tim 4:9-15; Lk 19:1-10

18<sup>th</sup> – **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 3<sup>rd</sup> Ecumenical Council at Ephesus, A.D. 431. He died in A.D. 444. (*Confer June 9*).

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

20<sup>th</sup> – 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.

21<sup>st</sup> – **Our Venerable Father, Maximus**, Confessor, died from tortures, A.D. 662, in the reign of Constans II. His tongue torn out and right hand cut off, he died in prison. — **SS. Eugene, Canidius, Valerian**, and **Aquilas**, Martyrs, died by fire, A.D. 292.

22<sup>nd</sup> – **St. Timothy, Apostle**, was the most famous disciple of St. Paul during the reign of Emperor Nero and the first Bishop of Ephesus in Asia Minor. — **St. Anastasius**, Venerable Martyr of Persia, suffered martyrdom A.D. 619, at the hands of Chosroas, during the reign of Heraclius, Emperor.

23<sup>rd</sup> – **St. Clement, Priest-Martyr**, Bishop of Ancyra, lived in exile for 28 years under several persecutors and died by the sword A.D. 296. — **St. Agathangel**, Martyr, suffered death also in the reign of Maximian and Diocletian, Emperors.

24<sup>th</sup> – **Our Venerable Mother, Xenia** was of a noble and famous Roman family. Her former name was Eusebia and her parents planning her marriage; she escaped from her bridegroom and, with two handmaids, she fled to Alexandria for refuge.

25<sup>th</sup> – **Our Holy Father, Gregory**, the Theologian of Cappadocia in Asia Minor, Archbishop of Constantinople, is one of the greatest writers and poets and one of the four great doctors of the Byzantine Rite Church. He died in A.D. 389, in the reign of Theodosius the Great; he presided in Constantinople in the church of Holy Wisdom 12 years. He died at the age of 80.

26<sup>th</sup> – **Our Venerable Father, Xenophon**, his wife, **Mary**, and sons, **Arcadius** and **John**, died in the year A.D. 520, in the reign of Justin. — **Theodore**, Hegumen-Abbot of Monks of Studites, and his brother, **Joseph**, who died A.D. 826, during the reign of Michael the Stutterer, Emperor.

**IRS STATEMENTS** – All registered parishioners will be given a 2019 IRS statement for your taxes. If you are NOT registered, but contributed monetarily in 2019, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish or drop in the collection basket. Thank you.

### 2019 IRS CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## +++ **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.

**EVERY LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH WILL BE PARISH POTLOCK.** It will be January 26<sup>th</sup>, February 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Cheese fare, March 29<sup>th</sup>, April 19<sup>th</sup> Thomas Sunday. Please bring a dish to share.

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL MISSION** – Divine Liturgies are being scheduled at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission, 8530 Robertson Rd, Las Vegas, Nevada 89166. Please refer to the bulletin for days and times.

**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 donation is \$10.00. Forms are in the back of the church. Please fill them out and, along with your donation, place in the collection basket or see Fr. Milan.

### **SANCTUARY AND TRIPTYCHS INTENTIONS:**

**Nativity Triptych Joseph:**

**Resurrection Triptych John, Baptist:** *Patrick Arnot Thanksgiving by Dani Arnot*

**Nativity Triptych Our Lady:**

**Resurrection Triptych Apostles:**

**Prodigal Son:**

**Saint John the Baptist, Forerunner:**

**Jesus Christ:** *Father Stephen by Dani Arnot*

**Theotokos:** *Angelo, Aliyah, Brandon, Suzana, and Declan by Dani Arnot*

**St. Nicholas:**

**Good Shepard:**

### **HOUSE BLESSING IN THE EASTERN CATHOLIC TRADITION**

The priest's blessing of our homes every year after Theophany transforms our living spaces into a domestic church. This blessing expels evil spirits, repels threats, and invites holiness and peace into the heart of the home. The priest is invited by parishioners to bless their homes, however grand or humble, whether the home is a room, an RV, an apartment, or a house.

#### **How House Blessing Works:**

- **The head of the household greets the priest with a lighted candle at the door of the home.**
- **The priest says, "Christ is baptized" and the family replies "Glorify Him" or "In the Jordan."**
- **The head of household, with the lighted candle, leads the priest to the home's icon corner (*see description below*) where the priest begins the blessing prayers.**
- **The head of household, still holding the lighted candle, leads the priest around the house while he blesses each room with holy water.**
- **The priest ends with final prayers in front of the icon corner.**
- **Priest and family talk informally. Sometimes the householder gives him a snack or meal, depending on what has been planned beforehand.**
- **The blessing usually lasts from 15-30 minutes.**

#### **How to Create An "Icon Corner"**

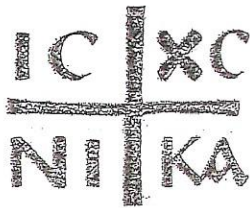
The "icon corner" is a wall or corner in a public part of the house, often the living room, where the family displays its holy images. It is a domestic shrine. The central images are usually icons of Christ, the Holy Theotokos (Mary, the Mother of God), and a crucifix. In addition, people often add other icons, statues, and holy cards.

#### **Preparing An Icon Corner For House Blessing**

Place a table, big or small, in front of the sacred images and put a white cloth on the table. This serves as an altar for the priest when he comes into the home. On this table, the priest will place his crucifix and other items and he will lead the prayers while standing in front of this table, facing the icons.

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**Robert Handcox**




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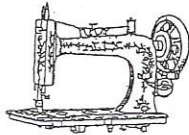
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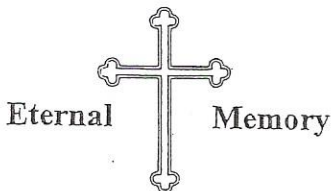
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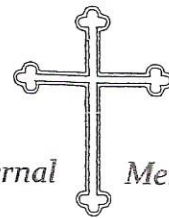


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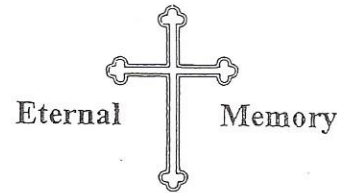
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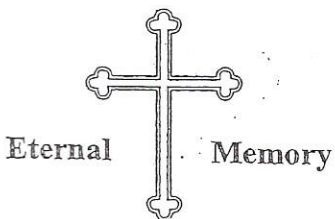
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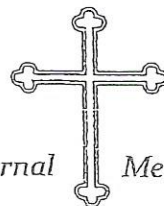
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