

St. Mary and St. Mina Coptic Orthodox Church, Syracuse, NY
Church Schedule for the week of
August 15, 2022

A most blessed Start of Virgin Mary's Fast, and May her powerful intercessions, prayers, and blessings be with us all !

Please find below the schedule of services for our Church for the week of 08/15/2022 Lord willing. You may also check the Church's calendar by clicking on the following link to the Church's web site.

http://stmarystminacopticchurch.org/monthly_calendar.html

A copy of this e-mail can also be accessed via our church's website at:

http://stmarystminacopticchurch.org/weekly_church_schedule.html

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| Tuesday, August 16
8:00 am – 10:00 am | (Martyrdom of St. Bekhibs and of St. Matra)
<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
<u>(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel)</u> |
| 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm | <i>Virgin Mary's Nahda</i>
<u>(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel)</u> |
| Thursday, August 18
8:00 am – 10:00 am | (Archangel Michael and King Constantine)
<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
<u>(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel)</u> |
| 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm | <i>Virgin Mary's Nahda</i>
<u>(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel)</u> |
| Friday, August 19
8:00 am – 10:00 am | (Glorious Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord)
<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
<u>(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel)</u> |
| 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm | <i>In-person Elementary School Service</i> |
| 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm | <i>In-person High School Meeting</i> |
| 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm | <i>In-person Middle School Meeting</i> |

Saturday, August 20 (Commemoration of the sign performed by the Lord during the reign of Pope Theophilus)

4:00 pm – 6:30 pm **Sunday School Summer Program at church**

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm **Virgin Mary's Nahda**
[\(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel\)](#)

7:00 pm – 7:30 pm **Online Beginners Hymns Class**

Sunday, August 21 (St. Marina the Ascetic and St. Habib Girgis)
8:30 am – 11:30 pm **Divine Liturgy**
[\(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel\)](#)

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm **Sunday School**

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm **In-person Arabic Bible Study**
[\(click here to join WebEx\)](#)
Access Code: 149-809-285

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm **In-person Hymns Class**

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **Servants Meeting**
join via WebEX
[\(click here to join via WebEx\)](#)
Access Code: 149-809-285

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm **Virgin Mary's Nahda**
[\(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel\)](#)

Please Mark Your Calendars!

- **Family Trip to Darrien Lake on Saturday, August 27: On Saturday, August 20, Lord willing, we are planning a family trip to Darrien Lake. Please let us know if you are interested in going with your children with us. Our church (thanks to our dear sister Nahed Sorial) is able to get us a group rate which is cheaper than the regular rate.**

- **Youth Spiritual/Fun Day on Saturday, September 3:** *On Saturday, September 3, our Youth and Sunday School service will be organizing a spiritual/fun day* for our youth (grade 7 and up). The Day will start with the Divine Liturgy, followed by a short to Skaneateles, boat ride on the Lake, followed by two open discussion sessions led by our dear brother and sister, Mark and Haidy Marzouk, and then BBQ/dinner, and fun activities !!!
- **College and Young Professionals Gathering and Fellowship on Sunday, September 11:** To celebrate the return of our beloved College students to Central New York, our church will be organizing a gathering/fellowship time for College Young Professionals *on Sunday, September 11, Lord willing*, after the Divine Liturgy. The church is happy to arrange and/or provide for rides for those who need.
- **Summer Sunday School Program on Saturdays:** Lord willing, our church will start a summer program for our children and youth *on Saturdays during the summer from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm*. The program will include Mahragan El-Keraza lessons, fun activities, and will be followed by vespers and mid-night praises.
- **In-person Sunday Bible Study:** Lord willing, with the return of our fellowship and Agape after the Liturgy, we will be returning to having the *Arabic Bible Study, in-person, after the liturgy from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm*. We would like to take this opportunity to encourage all of you to attend as you wait for your children to finish Sunday School.
- **In-person Hymns Class on Sundays:** Starting this Sunday, May 1, Lord willing, we will add an *in-person hymns class from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm on Sundays*. This class will be in addition to the online beginners' hymns class on Saturdays at 7:00 pm, and will be intended to teaching more advanced hymns.
- **The 25th Anniversary of the Incorporation of our blessed Church on Saturday, September 17, 2022:** This year, by the Grace of God, would mark the 25th anniversary of the official incorporation of our blessed Church (was incorporated on September 8, 1997 – the feast day of Archangel Raphael the Joy of Hearts). The church is planning to celebrate this joyful occasion on *Saturday, September 17, 2022 Lord willing*. Please mark your calendars. The celebration will include a Divine Liturgy in the morning, followed by a lunch banquet honoring those who labored for all of us to enjoy the blessing of having a church open for us and all children. More details will follow shortly.
- **Diocese-Level Annual Junior High Retreat on September 23 – 25 for Grades 6 through 8:** Under the auspices of HG Bishop David, NYNE Diocesan-junior high youth committee invites you to the *its Annual Junior High Retreat on September 23 – 25, 2022*, at [Pinbrook Retreat Center](#), for Grades 6 - 8. Space is limited; first-come, first-serve. [Click here for the flyer](#).

- **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land on July 17 – 26, 2023:** Our church is starting the planning process for a **joint Coptic/Armenian Pilgrimage to the Holy Land on July 17 – 26, 2023 (next year) Lord willing.** We are letting you know early so that you can plan accordingly. More details to follow as soon as they are available.
- **Confessions for Sunday School:** To allow our children to experience the blessings of the **sacrament of confession**, we are dedicating each Sunday for the confession of a given Sunday School class. This Sunday Lord willing, is dedicated for **High School.**

May God bless every service done for the Glory of His Holy Name Amen !
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