

**St. Mary and St. Mina Coptic Orthodox Church, Syracuse, NY**  
**Church Schedule for the week of**  
**January 1, 2024**

***A most blessed New Year and a Glorious Feast of the Nativity to you all!!!***

***Christ is Born! Glorify Him!***

Please find below the schedule of services for our Church for the week of 01/01/2024 Lord willing. You may also check the Church's calendar by clicking on the following link to the Church's website.

<https://stmarystminacopticchurch.org/liturgy-schedule>

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

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**Monday, January 1** (Archangel Gabriel, Martyrdom of St. Pachom and Dausham his sister of Akhmeem, and Departure of Pope Anastasius, the 36<sup>th</sup> Pope)

**9:00 am – 11:30 am** ***Divine Liturgy with His Grace Bishop David***  
[\(Live-streamed on the church's YouTube Channel\)](#)

**11:30 am – 12:30 pm** ***Fellowship Meal***

**Tuesday, January 2** (David, the Prophet and King, and St. Timothy the Anchorite)  
*No Divine Liturgy*

**9:00 pm – 10:00 pm** ***Prayer Meeting***  
[\(click here to join WebEx Meeting\)](#)  
Access Code: 149-809-385

**Wednesday, Jan 3** (Martyrdom of St. Ignatius of Antioch)  
**9:00 pm – 10:00 pm** ***Prayer Meeting***  
[\(click here to join WebEx Meeting\)](#)  
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**Thursday, Jan 4** (St. John Khame and St. Abshai of Mount Toud)  
**9:00 pm – 10:00 pm** ***Prayer Meeting***  
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- Friday, Jan 5 (Martyrdom of St. Anastasia and Consecration of the church of Anba Bishay and Anba Peter)
- 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm** **Evening Divine Liturgy – First Day of Paramone of the Feast of the Nativity**  
[\(Live-streamed on the church's YouTube Channel\)](#)
- 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm** **High School Meeting**
- 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm** **Middle School Meeting**
- 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm** **Monthly Prayer and Family Meeting**
- Saturday, Jan 6 (Martyrdom of St. Bisadi, Bishop of Psoi)
- 8:00 am – 10:00 am** **Divine Liturgy – Second Day of Paramone of the Feast of the Nativity**  
[\(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel\)](#)
- 7:00 pm – 12:00 am** **Divine Liturgy for the Glorious Feast of the Nativity**  
[\(live-streamed on the church's Youtube Channel\)](#)
- Sunday, Jan 7 (First Day of the Glorious Feast of the Nativity of our Lord, and commemoration of the martyrs of Akhmeem)
- 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm** **Church Gathering for Celebrating the Glorious Feast of the Nativity**

### ***Please Mark Your Calendars!***

- **St. Joachim and Anna Fellowship next meeting on Friday, January 26, 2023:** Lord willing, our next monthly gathering of **St. Joachim and Anna Fellowship will be on Friday, January 26, 2023.** The day will start with a **Divine Liturgy** (in Arabic) from **9:00 am to 11:00 am**, followed by **breakfast** at church, **Bible reading and discussion**, and **fellowship time**. All are invited to attend !
- **Spiritual Day for Upper Middle, High School and College Youth with Abouna Anastasi St. Anthony at St. Mark, Rochester on Saturday, January 27, 2024:** **Lord willing, our beloved Abouna Anastasi St. Anthony will be holding a spiritual day** for upper middle, high school, and college youth at **St. Mark's church in Rochester on Saturday, January 27, 2024, Lord willing.** We plan to join the day to get the blessings of St. Mark, Abouna Anastasi and Abouna David. We will share the day's schedule shortly Lord willing.

- **Middle, High School and College Retreat at Tivaki Retreats and St. Mary and Pope Kyrillos the Sixth Monastery's Visit on Friday & Saturday, March 29 & 23, 2024:** Lord willing, our church is planning **a middle, high school and college retreat** at our beloved Diocese's **Tivaki retreat center** and **St. Mary and Pope Kyrillos VI monastery** on **Friday and Saturday, March 29 & 30 Lord willing. Families are most welcome to join us as well. Click here for retreat and monastery's visit flyer.**
- **Trip to Sight & Sound Theaters on May 18, 2024:** Lord willing, we are organizing a trip to **Sight & Sound Theaters in Lancaster, PA on Saturday, May 18, 2024, to watch Daniel.** If interested, please **contact our dear brother Youssef Boles** for details and to make the reservation. The deadline for registering with Youssef is **Sunday, December 17, Lord willing.**
- **His Grace Anba David Visits to our church in 2024:** In addition to His Grace's presence with us on New Year's Eve and Day mentioned above, **HG will be blessing our church on the following dates in 2024:**
  - **During Holy Week in the evening of Monday, April 29 Lord willing,** to pray with us the Pascha of Tuesday Eve
  - **On Saturday and Sunday, October 12 and 13 Lord willing,** for His Grace's 2024 Annual Visit
- **Monthly Prayer and Family Meeting on the Last Friday of the Month:** The church has started a monthly prayer/family meeting on the **last Friday of each month.** The meeting will be from 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm and will include prayer, spiritual songs, and a discussion on issues important to parenting and family life. **Our upcoming meeting is Friday, December 29, Lord willing.**
- **Weekly Arabic Bible Study back on Saturdays at 3:00 pm:** We are moving the weekly bible study back to **Saturdays at 3:00 pm Lord willing.**
- **Hymns Class on Saturdays:** Our hymns class is now being held on Saturdays, Lord willing. We now have two classes, one for KG and elementary school **from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm,** and one for middle and high school **from 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm.**
- **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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