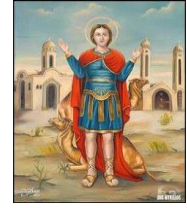




**St. Mary and St. Mina Coptic Orthodox Church,
Syracuse, NY**

**Church Schedule for the week of
December 16, 2019**



A blessed Fast of the Nativity to all! Please find below the schedule of services for our Church for the week of 12/16/19 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

Tuesday, December 17 (St. Abba Skhryoon of Keleen & Anba Mettaous El-Fakhouri)
8:00 am – 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm **Memorial Service for Mr. Atef Shawky Abadeer**

Friday, December 20 (St. Nicholas Bishop of Mora & St. Severus of Antioch)
3:00 pm – 5:30 pm **Evening Divine Liturgy for the Fast of the Nativity**

7:30 – 9:00 pm Coptic, Hymns & Memorization ([click here for schedule](#))
7:30 - 9:00 pm Middle School Youth Meeting ([click here for schedule](#))
7:30 – 9:00 pm High School Meeting ([click here for schedule](#))

Saturday, December 21 (Anba Pigimi the Anachorite)
9:00 am – 11:30 am **Divine Liturgy in Binghamton**
(12 Corbett Ave., Binghamton, NY 13903)

4:30 – 6:00 PM **Kiahk Vespers Praises**
6:00 – 6:30 PM **Vespers**
6:30 – 10:30 PM **Kiahk Mid-night Praises**

Sunday, December 22 (Archangel Michael and St. Hedra of Aswan)
8:30 AM - 11:45 AM Divine Liturgy
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM Sunday School
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM Arabic Bible Study ([Commentaries](#))
1:45 PM – 2:15 PM **[Brief Spiritual Word for Servants](#)**
[\(1Kings Bible Study Questions\)](#)

Please Mark Your Calendars!

- **Divine Liturgy in Binghamton on Saturday, December 21:** Lord willing, we will be holding **a Divine Liturgy in Binghamton this coming Saturday, December 21,**

Lord willing, from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. The Liturgy is held in St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church located at [12 Corbett Avenue, Binghamton, NY 13903.](http://www.stmarystminacopticchurch.org)

- **Evening Divine Liturgies on Fridays during the Fast of the Nativity:** Lord willing, **during the Nativity Fast, we will be adding a weekly evening Divine Liturgy on Fridays from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm** (this is in addition to our weekly liturgy on Tuesday morning and of course our regular Sunday Liturgies). May our Loving Lord help us prepare our hearts for receiving Him Amen !
- **The month of Kiahk Praises:** **During the Coptic month of Kiahk, Lord willing, we will be holding Kiahk praises** (also known as the 7 & 4 praises for the 7 Theodokias and the 4 Hous) **every Saturday from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm.** There will also be Kiahk vespers praises, before vespers, from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm.
- **Samaritan Soup Kitchen on Thursday, December 26:** Lord willing, our church will be sponsoring **a soup kitchen lunch at Samaritan Center, located at 215 N. State Street, Syracuse, NY 13203, on Thursday, December 26.** This is a great opportunity to teach our children and youth the joy of giving and helping others. **We will be meeting at church around noon Lord willing.**
- **Fun Activities for our children during the Christmas Break on December 24, December 30 and January 2:** Lord willing, Sunday School will be organizing a couple of fun activities for our children during the Christmas break, including: **(1) ice skating on Tuesday, December 24, after our morning liturgy; (2) Greek Peek indoor waterpark on Monday, December 30; and (3) Snow-tubing on Thursday, January 2.** More details to follow Lord willing.
- **Next “Our Life in Christ” Meeting Saturday, January 11:** Lord willing, our church has started a new bi-weekly meeting on Saturdays (i.e., every other Saturday, at 7:00 pm, entitled Our Life in Christ. Given Kiahk praises, **our next meeting will be after the Feast of the Nativity, on Saturday, January 11, Lord willing.** [Click here for more details.](#)
- **Confessions for Sunday School Children:** 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, where Abouna will be receiving the confessions of our children during the time of their Sunday School class. This Sunday Lord willing, is dedicated for **Grades 3 & 4.**

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

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