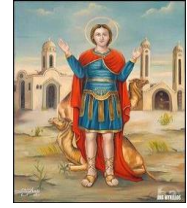




**St. Mary and St. Mina Coptic Orthodox Church,
Syracuse, NY**

**Church Schedule for the week of
December 30, 2019**



A blessed Fast of the Nativity to all! Please find below the schedule of services for our Church for the week of 12/30/19 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, Dec 31 / Wednesday, Jan.1 (Virgin Mary / Archangel Gabriel)

8:00 am – 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

New Year's Celebration Program

8:00 pm – 10:00 pm *Kiahk Praises*

10:00 pm – 10:30 pm *Choir Presentation*

10:30 pm – 11:00 pm *New Year Theme Presentation*

11:00 pm – 11:30 pm *Matins*

11:30 pm – 12:00 am *New Year's Prayer*

12:00 am - 1: 30 am *Divine Liturgy*

Thursday, January 2 (David the Prophet and King)

11:00 am – 3:00 pm *Snow Tubing at [Four Seasons](#)*

Friday, January 3

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, January 4 (St. John Kame)

4:30 – 6:00 PM *Kiahk Vespers Praises*

6:00 – 6:30 PM *Vespers*

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

Sunday, January 5 (St. Anastasia & St. Juliana)

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!

- **New Year's Eve Celebration Program:** Lord willing, our church will be celebrating the ***New Year on Tuesday night / Wednesday morning*** according to the schedule outlined above. Specifically, we will be holding ***Kiahk praises from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm***, followed by a performance by our ***children's choir from 10:00 pm to 10:30 pm***, a presentation of ***our theme for the New Year from 10:30 pm to 11:00 pm***, ***Matins and Prayer for the New Year from 11:00 pm to mid-night***, and a ***Divine Liturgy from mid-night to 1:30 am*** Lord willing. May our Loving Lord crown the new year with His Goodness and fill it with His Peace, Love and Joy.
- **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.
- **Snow-tubing for our children on January 2:** Lord willing, Sunday School will be organizing a ***snow-tubing*** activity at **Four Seasons** in Fayetteville, for our children on ***Thursday, January 2***. We will be meeting at church at 11:00 am and then heading there. The church-sponsored cost of the activity is \$15 per person.
- **Next "Our Life in Christ" Meeting Saturday, January 11:** 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 Sat, Jan. 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 5 & 6.***

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

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