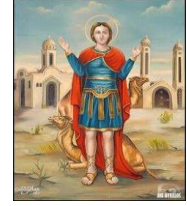




**St. Mary and St. Mina Coptic Orthodox Church,
Syracuse, NY**

**Church Schedule for the week of
December 31, 2018**



Happy New Year to you all, and May our Loving Lord Crown this New Year with His Goodness !!!

Please find below the schedule of services for our Church for the week of 12/31/18 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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| <p>Mon, Dec 31/Tues, Jan 1
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
8:00 pm - 8:30 pm
8:30 pm - 10:30 pm

10:30 pm - 11:00 pm
11:00 pm - 12:00 am
12:00 am - 1:30 am
1:30 am</p> | <p>(Archangel Gabriel/David the Prophet and King)
Choir practice for the Angels Choir (KG – Grade 4)
Angels Choir Presentation
Kiahk Praises in the Chapel
Movie & fun program for little children
New Year's Theme Presentation in the main church
Group Prayer & Matins Prayer in the main church
Divine Liturgy
Fellowship Meal</p> |
| <p>Friday, January 4
3:00 - 5:30 pm
7:30 - 9:00 pm
7:30 - 9:00 pm
7:30 - 9:00 pm
9:00 - 9:30 pm</p> | <p>(First Day of the Paramon for the Nativity Feast)
Paramon Divine Liturgy
Coptic, Hymns & Memorization (click here for schedule)
Middle School Youth Meeting (click here for schedule)
High School Meeting (click here for schedule)
Hymns Class</p> |
| <p>Saturday, January 5
8:30 am – 11:00 am

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
8:00 pm – 9:30 pm</p> | <p>(Second Day of the Paramon for the Nativity Feast)
Paramon Divine Liturgy

Vespers
Our Life in Christ Meeting
Mid-night praises</p> |
| <p>Sun, Jan 6/Mon, Jan 7
8:00 am – 10:00 am

5:00 pm – 10:00 pm</p> | <p>(Third Day of the Paramon/Feast of the Nativity)
Paramon Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord</p> |

Please Mark Your Calendars!

- **New Year's Eve Schedule:** Lord willing, we will be gathering at church on New Year's Eve to thank God for all His blessings this last year, and to ask Him to crown the New Year with His Goodness, and give us all a blessed year full of His love, peace and joy. ***The gathering will start at 8:00 pm*** (there will be choir practice for the Angels Choir group before that starting at 7:00 pm), ***and will end with the Divine Liturgy from mid-night to 1:30 am.*** [Click here for the detailed New Year's Eve Schedule.](#)
- **Paramon Divine Liturgies:** This year, the Paramon for the feast of the Nativity of our Lord will be celebrated for 3 days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) Lord willing. With this, we will celebrate ***the Divine Liturgy on Friday afternoon from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm, on Saturday morning from 8:30 am to 11:00 am, and on Sunday morning from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.*** May the blessings of the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord be with us all Amen!
- **Our Life in Christ Meeting Series in the New Year:** Lord willing, ***with the beginning of the New Year, our church will start a new bi-weekly meeting on Saturdays (i.e., every other Saturday, at 7:00 pm, entitled Our Life in Christ.*** The meeting will feature Bible Studies, in English, focused on challenges of every day life, spiritual songs and group prayers. Our first meeting will be on Saturday, January 5, 2019 Lord willing. [Click here for more details.](#)
- **The Feast of the Nativity Divine Liturgy:** Given that the Feast of Nativity is on a Monday Lord willing this year, and given that some of us may have to go to work or school that day, we will ***end the Feast of the Nativity Liturgy at around 10:00 pm.*** The liturgy will thus start early (around 5:00 pm), with the offering of the lamb being around 7:00 pm. Abstention from food for communion will be from around 1:00 pm Lord willing.
- **Feast of the Nativity Fellowship Gathering:** Lord willing, to ***celebrate the joy of the Feast of the Nativity together as one family, we will be gathering at church on Monday, January 7 starting at around 3:30 pm*** (we are making the gathering start a bit late to allow our children who do not want to miss school that day to go and join us afterward). We will have dinner together followed by a brief fun program for our children Lord willing.
- **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 and 6.***

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

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