



St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church

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**A Community of Prayer,
Love and Fellowship.
We Welcome You!**

“The Eastern Churches are the treasures of the Catholic Church” Saint John XXIII

Divine Liturgy Schedule: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Daily Liturgy Schedule: Tuesday through Friday at -9:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Tuesday of Month 6:30 p.m. Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you wish to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation, or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Church Office.

Mystery of Reconciliation: In order to provide greater availability, the Mystery of Reconciliation is normally celebrated one half hour before Divine Liturgy and by appointment.

Mystery of Crowning: Engaged couples must be registered, active members of the parish. Please make an appointment with the pastor at least six months prior to the requested date of marriage.

Inquiry Sessions: For those interested in finding out more about what it means to be Catholic, or seeking information toward the possibility of becoming members of the Catholic Church, please call the Church Office for more information.

Hospital Calls – If someone is in the hospital, please call the Church Office to inform Father Sam.

Parish Trustees: Chairperson – Lynn Vaughan, **Members:** Dr. John Handley, Mary Joan Fredette-Hahn, Michael Gamble, Rick Criste, & Cristina Francescon. Ex-officio: Subdeacons Ron Foster and Chuck VanHuesen.

Knights of Columbus: William Hoadley **Ladies Guild:** Marie VanHeusen

Youth Advisors: Chuck and Marie VanHeusen **Altar Society:** Betty Morgan

Young Adult Advisor: Michael Gamble **Sacristan:** Ray Miller **Organist/Choir Dir:** Francis Younger

**LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK
SEASON OF THE GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD
DECEMBER 9-10, 2017**

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Readings: Gal. 4:21-5:1; Luke 1:57-66; Liturgy begins on page 48.

Sat. December 9 5:00 p.m. +Stan Podobinski by Peter & Honey Paoni.
Sun. December 10 10:30 a.m. +Jim Rorke by Mary Rorke.
Mon. December 11 NO LITURGY (PASTOR'S DAY OFF)
Tue. December 12 9:00 a.m. +C. Arthur & Millie Rolander by Lucy Zahran.
Wed. December 13 9:00 a.m. +Jim Reale by Marie Reale.
Thu. December 14 9:00 a.m. +Alicia Najjar (AV) by the Family.
Fri. December 15 9:00 a.m. +Ralph VanHeusen by the VanHeusens.

DECEMBER 16-17, 2017

REVELATION TO JOSEPH

Readings: Gal. 4:21-5:1; Luke 1:57-66; Liturgy begins on page 57.

Sat. December 16 5:00 p.m. +Alicia Najjar (AV) by the Family.
Sun. December 17 10:30 a.m. +Sam & Lucy Zahran & Jim Reale by Marie Reale.

Tithes & Offerings \$4,310.00
Candles & Devotions 90.00
\$4,400.00

Christmas Flowers: \$280.00

Building Fund (Restricted): \$0.00

God Bless You for Your Support

SANCTUARY CANDLE, BREAD & WINE – DECEMBER:

In Memory of Jimmy Monsour by Sheila Monsour and Family.

VOCATIONS CHALICE

	Saturday		Sunday
December	9	Freida Fadel	December 10 The Vegas
December	16	Donnie Matheson	December 17 Mary Rorke
December	23	The VanHeusens	December 24 Miriam Johnson
December	30	The Fosters	December 31 The Kinnerups

READERS – Contact Subdeacon Ron Foster (910) 818-8682.

	Saturday		Sunday
December	9	Rick Criste	December 10 Haynie Caliva
December	16	Darlene Darling	December 17 Kevin Caliva
December	23	Tom Piner	December 24 Kathy Criminger
Vigil December	24	Cristina Francescon	December 25 MJ Hahn
December	30	Steve Kenny	December 31 Marie Reale

LOVE LUNCH: First Wednesday at the Salvation Army on Alexander Street. They hope to reopen soon. Stay tuned.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING: First Sunday at 12 Noon. Contact Grand Knight William Hoadley at (910) 867-1010.

ST. MICHAEL LADIES GUILD MEETING: Second Sunday at 12 Noon. Contact President Marie VanHeusen at (910) 988-3499.

USHERS & GREETERS – DECEMBER: Jesus & Ivette Vega.

REFRESHMENTS – DECEMBER: Lynn Vaughan & Mary Louise Barefoot.

ROSARY is prayed every 2nd weekend of the month 30 minutes prior to Liturgy.

BIRTHDAYS –DECEMBER: John Page, Bill Hoadley, Chris Kropik, Tom Delahunty, Donnie Matheson, Tom Piner, Carol Kannan, Teresa Piner, Declyn Hurley, Steve Berti, Alexia Rager, Henry Phillips, Gunner Nesbitt, Padriac Kenny, Manual Comlan, Manuala Comlan, Erica Talley, Ian Weiser, and Ryan Palmer.

ANNIVERSARIES –DECEMBER: Zahran & Susan Holt, Ron & Wanda Foster, William & Susan Fiden, and Dan & Jennifer Leaf.

+IN MEMORIAM – DECEMBER: Jim Rorke, Ingrid Novak, Leonard “Shelby” Kannan, Lucy Zahran, Bobby Kozma, Sandra Miller, Juliet Zahran, Stephen Fredette, James Reale, and Ingrid Handley.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS WHO ARE DEPLOYED& THOSE IN UNIFORM:

Chaplain Tim Meier, Edwin G. Rosales, Austin Miller, Scott Miller, Devin Green, and Matthew Ibsen.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS, OUR SISTERS, AND FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD, RELIGIOUS LIFE AND OTHER MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES: St. Michael’s has been asked to contribute 32 oz. jars of jams or jellies and sample size personal toiletry items. Please place your items in the basket located at the entrance to the Church. November 39 lbs. Thank You.

PRAYER CHAIN: Contact for the prayer chain is Lucy Zahran at 910-868-1147. We are praying or everyone for whatever reason in our personal prayers. However, please make your requests for the prayer chain for those who are sick, or will be having or are recovering from a medical procedure. Once Lucy has posted the name(s), add them to your personal list. **RESPONDING TO THE POST IS NOT NECESSARY. Only Lucy is authorized to send prayer request.**

PRAYERS FOR THOSE AT HOME AND IN HOSPITALS: Pray for all who have called in to the prayer chain. May they have a speedy recovery. Please let us know if anyone needs to be taken off the list.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes are suspended for the Summer. They will resume on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in September. Adult discussion group will meet as usual at 6:30 p.m. next week.

RELIGIOUS GOOD STORE: The Ladies Guild has opened a religious goods corner in the parish hall. The inventory is limited but the items have been requested in the past, so they decided to stock on a limited basis. Special orders are also available. Please see any of the ladies or Fr. Sam.

VOCATION CHALICE SIGN UPS: For the Saturday Vocations Chalice please contact Darlene Darling @ 910-483-8845 or Freida Fadel @ 910-484-2280. For the Sunday Vocations Chalice please contact Ingrid Franklin @ 910-867-8090.

PASTOR'S CORNER:

This year we were able to purchase and distribute 89 \$35 Food Gift Cards for Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Baskets. Some went to Urban Ministries and Catholic Charities. At your request, I sent out 13 to persons whose names were given to me. This came to a grand total of \$3,115.00. God Bless You for your generosity. And, also, for the gifts that you purchased for children in foster homes whose ornaments were on the Giving Tree.

Envelopes are available for the Christmas Flower donations and remembrances. Please print clearly and place in the collection basket.

Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets are available for \$5.00. See Father Sam.

A BIG thank you to the Ladies Guild for the beautiful card and gift for Christmas that was presented to me at the annual Tea. Very thoughtful and I appreciate it.

God Bless and Have A Blessed Week,

DATES TO REMEMBER

- December 10 - Birth of John the Baptist
- December 17 - Revelation to Joseph
- December 24 - Genealogy Sunday

THE GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD

- December 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day) 12 Noon
- December 24 - Divine Liturgy Vigil 5:00 PM
- December 25 - Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIZER



REVELATION TO ST JOSEPH



GENEALOGY SUNDAY



BIRTH OF OUR LORD



“The Church (like so many other things in life) is not so much something we inherit from generations past or take over from our predecessors as it is something on loan to us from future generations” (Matthew Kelly)

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
IN MEMORIAM**

Zahran and Iovino Families by Lucy Zahran.

All deceased members of the Reale and Gallo Families by Marie Reale.

Subdeacon Claude Franklin, Anna Antill, Mac Antill, Lucille Currie by the Franklin and Gray Families.

Subdeacon Claude Franklin, Anna Antill, Mac Antill, Lucille Currie, Logie Currie, and Perry Franklin by Ingrid Franklin.

Charlie and Eileen Cooper by Chris Cooper.

John Delahunty by Tom & Shelia Delahunty.

The Ringmann & Paoni Families; and Ingebory Vinent by Peter & Honey Paoni.

Helen Kenny, Walter Kenny, Florence & Lowell Villars, Mary Kenny, Catherine Kenny, Joseph Grenier, Linda Younger, & Robert McDonald by the Kennys.

Deceased Members of the Barry, Criminger, & Johnson Families, Barbara Baker, and Dale King by Ronnie & Kathy Criminger.

George VanHeusen, Robert & Genevieve Griswold, Italia Perino, Ralph VanHeusen, and Paul Merrick by Charles & Marie VanHeusen.

Deceased Members of the Najjar, Bakhos, Dahdah, Byczek, Hughes & Pefinis Families.

Emmanuel Zondo and Godwill Comlan by Aniel and Angelique Comlan.