



# St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church

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## Genealogy Sunday



### Why does the Son of God need a Genealogy?

Every year we hear the Gospel of Matthew and the reciting of names of ancient prophets. What is the point? Matthew was writing for a Jewish audience and wanted to present evidence that Jesus is the Messiah. Everyone expected the Messiah to be descended from David and the genealogy makes that clear. However, the message is more than that.

The birth of Jesus was the fulfilment of a prophecy and that is a major theme of the Maronite liturgy this Sunday. In the opening prayer we pray:

*“Fill our hearts with the faith of those holy ones who awaited your coming throughout all generations.”*

The genealogy looks back to the events of the Old Testament. It reminds us that the promises of old have now been fulfilled and we are the inheritors of the gifts of those promises. The genealogy establishes that Jesus is the rightful king and part of God’s plan of salvation. Jesus lives today, his throne can never be taken.

#### CLERGY

**Fr. Paul Damien, Pastor  
Deacon Chuck VanHeusen  
Subdeacon Ronald Foster**

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

**Tuesday through Friday  
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

#### LITURGY:

**Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 10:30 AM  
Weekdays Tues - Fri : 9:00 AM**

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*“Heaven and earth  
will pass away,  
but my words  
will not”  
Luke 21:23*

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**\*\*\*Genealogy Sunday\*\*\***

Saturday, December 18 - 5:00 PM: Tom Delahunty (40 Day Mass) By the VanHeusen Family

Sunday, December 19 - 10: 30 AM: Mario Acevedo (Healing) By Ace and Patty Acevedo  
Intentions of Anthony Georges By Cassandra Georges

We Share: St Michael's on-line giving option at <https://stmichaelsmaronite.weshareonline.org>

**2nd Collection ~ December 25th - Pastor's Collection**

Tuesday	Dec. 21	9:00 am	St Julian	Alberto Acevedo (Memorial) By Frank and Marie Catalana
Wednesday	DEC 22	9:00 am	St Anastasia of the Balkans	Kim Nguyen (Intentions) By Thanh and Han Vo - Nguyen
Thursday	Dec 23	9:00 am	St. Eugenia	Fr Bill Bonczewski (Healing) By VanHeusen Family
Friday	Dec 24	5:00 pm	Vigil of the Glorious Birth of Our Lord	Children of the Parish by the Pastor
Saturday	Dec 25	10:30 am	Glorious Birth of Our Lord	The Needs of St Michael's Parishioners by the Pastor

**\*\*\*Felicitations to the Virgin Mary\*\*\***

Saturday, December 26 - 5:00 PM: Paoni Family (Healing) by the VanHeusens

Sunday, December 27 - 10: 30 AM: AVAILABLE

*When not listed Fr Jack will offer his Masses for Pilar Ayala by the family*

**MASS INTENTIONS / MASS CARDS**

Call Parish Office to request Divine Liturgy  
(Mass) Intention.  
Mass Cards are also available upon request.

**READERS**

12/18: Nels Kinnerup 12/19: Josh Deason  
12/24: Annika Nesbitt 12/25: Lynn Vaughan  
12/25: Kim Phelan 12/26: Marie Catalana  
1/1: Rick Criste 1/2: Chris Cooper

**SCRIPTURE  
READINGS**

**Genealogy Sunday**  
Rom 1:1-12 / Mt 1:1-17

**Glorious Birth of Our Lord**  
Heb 1:1-12 / Lk 2:1-20

**Felicitations to the Virgin Mary**  
Eph 1:3-14 / Lk 1:46-55



**GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING**

Make a donation to offer the Incense,  
Candles and Wine for one month in  
memory or to honor of someone.

**DECEMBER GIFT OF  
THANKSGIVING**

**In Loving Remembrance of  
Jim Reale and Lucy Zahran**

By Marie Reale -Catalana

Sunday/on-line Offering \$ 1587.00

Candles \$ 48.00

Fuel \$ 10.00

Building/HVAC \$ 1105.00

Christmas Flowers total \$ 535.00

**God Bless You for your support!**

### SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR HOST SCHEDULE

December 19th Lucy Zahran and Patty Reynolds

December 26th Ray and JoAnn Miller

**Dates open in the New Year**



### RELIGIOUS ED ADULT DISCUSSION

There will be

No Religious Education or

Adult Discussion Group Until the New Year!

Classes will resume at 6:30pm on Wednesday

January 5th 2022

### CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES

St. Michael's has been asked to contribute **jams/ jellies and peanut butter (ANY SIZE)**

Place donations in the basket of church



**NOV. total was 47lbs.**

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bill Hoadley, John Page, Josh Deason, Carissa Finney, Don Matheson, Tom Piner, Carson Duncan, Carol Kannan, Teresa Piner, Steve Berti, Travis Blalock, Ricky Butcher, Gunnar



Nesbitt, Paddy Kenny, Clementine Stoeckley, Erica Talley, Ryan Palmer and Tresa VanHeusen

### DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Ron and Wanda Foster (55 years) **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**  
Scott and Melissa Dinse  
Thanh and Han Vo-Nguyen



### ADORATION

There will be No Adoration for the week following Christmas!



We still need Adorers to sign up at the church entrance for Dec 23rd

*To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement. ~ Saint Augustine*

### VOCATIONS CHALICE

- 12/18 Volunteer
- 12/19: Chris Cooper
- 12/25: Volunteer
- 12/26: Ed Baez



\*The Church needs men & women eager to commit their lives to serving the Church through the priesthood & religious life.

Consider taking the Vocation Chalice into your home for a week.

### PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact Lucy Zahran at church or call the church office to **join the prayer chain** or with **prayer requests.**



### CHRISTMAS FOOD CARDS

### "LAST WEEKEND"

The Knights of Columbus are still collecting donations for Gift Cards.

**The Knights purchase \$35.00 gift cards from Carlie C's IGA.**



The cards are distributed among the needy in the Parish, to Catholic Charities, and to Urban Ministries. Contact Jon Deason (737-701-7547) or Chris Cooper (910-850-4841) to make a donation.

**If you are writing a check make it payable to St Michael Church.**

### CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Please join us in praying the Christmas Novena  
**Wednesday Dec 15th thru Thursday Dec. 23rd**  
**6:30pm on Weekdays** and immediately following



### THANK YOU ~ CHRISTMAS GIVING

A big **Thank You** to all St Michael's Parishioners! 40+ of our parish families generously contributed to Falcon Children's Home, 55 Children in Foster Care and 6 area families in need this Christmas!

**GOD BLESS YOUR GIVING HEARTS!**

### St. Michael Archangel Ladies Guild

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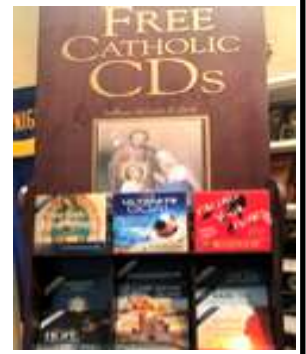
**All proceeds go to the Parish!**

### Fellowship / Refreshments - Free Catholic CDs



Take a minute following our Sunday Divine  
Liturgy to join us in the Social Hall  
For some light refreshments, conversation  
and to check out our Free CDs.

There's a slot on the rack for those  
who want to donate to this ministry!



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### Blessing of a Child in the Womb

The “Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb” was created to support parents awaiting the birth of their child, to encourage parish prayers for, and recognition of, the precious gift of the child in the womb and to foster respect for human life within society.

Our parish is blessed with so many expected babies in the womb. Let us all join our voices in prayer for the babies and their parents!

*God, author of all life, bless, we pray,  
all the unborn children of our parish:  
give constant protection and grant a healthy birth  
that is the sign of our rebirth one day into the  
eternal rejoicing of heaven.  
~excerpt from the Prayer of Blessing*

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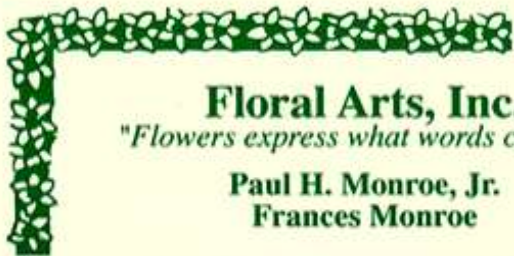
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## **St. Michael's Christmas Flowers**

**Ngoc Em Nguyen by Thahn and Han Vo-Nguyen**

**Deceased Members of the Catalana and Reale Family  
by Frank and Marie Catalana**

**Deceased Members of the VanHeusen and Griswold Family  
Jim Desy, and Paul Merrick by the VanHeusens**

**John and Elizabeth Criste by Rick and Lori Criste**

**Tom, Vonnie and Tommy Mason by Margaret Grantonic**

**Jerry and Leah Berti, James and Mary Monsour, Carolyn Dorroll, Eddie  
Monsour, James Monsour Jr. and Carl Berti by Steve and Rosalie Berti**

**Deceased Members of the Montaldo Family, Sazako Crousen, Don Crousen,  
Mike Kusakabe and Tomiko Kusakabe by Phil and Emma Montaldo**

**Charlie and Eileen Cooper by Chris Cooper  
Subdeacon Claude Franklin Sr., Anne Antill, Mac Antill, Lucille Currie,  
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by Ronnie and Kathy Criminger**

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by Mary Louise Barefoot and Family**

**Stephen, Al and Doris Fredette, Warren and Doris Hahn, Bonnie Hahn,  
Judy Garner, Michael Andersen and Chet and Rita Guzinski  
by Warren and MJ Hahn, Patti Reynolds and Family**

