



## 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:** Eileen Hicks, Thomas McLamb, Dr. John Handley, Mary Joan Fredette-Hahn, and Michael Gamble. Ex-officio: Subdeacons Ron Foster and Chuck VanHuesen.

**Knights of Columbus:** William Hoadley

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

**Young Adult Advisor:** Michael Gamble **Sacristan:** Ray Miller

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**LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK**  
**SEASON OF THE GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD**

**GENEALOGY SUNDAY**

Readings: Rom. 1:1-12; MT 1:1-17; Liturgy begins on page 66.

Sat. December 20 5:00 p.m. +Ingrid Handley – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary.  
Sun. December 21 10:30 a.m. +Ralph VanHeusen by Chuck & Marie VanHeusen.  
Mon. December 22 NO LITURGY (Pastor’s Day Off)  
Tue. December 23 9:00 a.m. The Sick of the Parish.

**GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD**

Wed. December 24 5:00 p.m. Parishioners & +Faithful Departed.  
Thu. December 25 10:30 a.m. Parishioners & +Faithful Departed.  
Fri. December 26 9:00 a.m. Emmanuel & Emmanuella Comlan.

**DECEMBER 27-28, 2014**

**SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**

Sat. December 27 5:00 p.m. +Ingrid Handley by John Handley.  
Sun. December 28 10:30 a.m. +Emmanuel Zondo by the Comlans.

**MONDAY-TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY – NO LITURGIES**

**JANUARY 1, 2015**

**CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS – WORLD DAY OF PEACE**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Thu. January 1 12 Noon Parishioners & +Faithful Departed.  
Fri. January 2 9:00 a.m. Your Intentions.

Pray for the repose of the soul of the Bishop Emeritus Stephen Hector Doueih who died on 17 December 2014. He was our Bishop from November 1996 to December 2004.

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Tithes & Offerings	\$2,202.00
Maronite Patriarchal Charities	50.00
Christmas Flowers	305.00
Devotions	51.00
Fuel	<u>55.00</u>
	\$2,663.00

Building Fund (Restricted): \$70.00

God Bless You for Your Support

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**SANCTUARY CANDLE, BREAD & WINE – DECEMBER**

In Memory of Jim Reale, Sam & Lucy Zahran by Marie Reale & Lucy Zahran.

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**VOCATIONS CHALICE**

Saturday		Sunday	
Dec. 20	The Lewises	Dec. 21	Mary Louise Barefoot
Dec. 27	John Handley	Dec. 28	Marie Reale

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**READERS – VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED**

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**LOVE LUNCH:** First Wednesday at the Salvation Army on Alexander Street.

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:** First Sunday at 12 Noon.

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**ST. MICHAEL LADIES GUILD MEETING:** Second Sunday at 12 Noon.

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**USHERS & GREETERS – DECEMBER:** Zahran and Susan Holt.

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**PINE CAR RACE:** Flyers and instructions are now available. Start your engines; the race begins Saturday, 7 February 2015.  
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**REFRESHMENTS – DECEMBER:** Marie Reale and Lucy Zahran.  
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**ROSARY** is prayed every 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of the month 30 minutes prior to Liturgy.  
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**BIRTHDAYS –DECEMBER:** Jimmy Monsour, John Page, Bill Hoadley, Chris Kropik, Tom Delahunty, Don Matheson, Tom Piner, Carol Kannan, Teresa Piner, Steve Berti, Alexis Rager, Padraic Kenny, Manuel Comlan, Manuela Comlanb, Erica Talley, Heather Talley, Laura Mortensen, Ian Weiser, and Ryan Palmer.  
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**ANNIVERSARIES –DECEMBER:** Ron & Wanda Foster; and Bill & Susan Fiden.  
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**IN MEMORIAM – DECEMBER:** James Rorke, Ingrid Handley, Ingrid Novack, Leonard “Shelby” Kannan, Lucy Zahran, Bobby Kozma, Juliet Zahran, Stephen Fredette, and Jim Reale.  
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**PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS WHO ARE DEPLOYED:**

Chaplain Tim Meier, Linda Kropik, and Peter Shamatta.  
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**PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS, OUR SISTERS, AND FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD, RELIGIOUS LIFE AND OTHER MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH.**  
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**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.  
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**PRAYER CHAIN:** Contact for the prayer chain is Grace Jenkins at 910-323-0787.  
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**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.  
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**OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The offering envelopes for 2015 have arrived and as soon as they have been recorded they will be available for you at the entrance of the church. If you are taking one for the first time, please be sure to print your name and address on the first few envelopes so you will be credited.  
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Classes are now in session. Every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. A schedule of class dates is available to all parents. There is an adult discussion session while the children are having their classes. So bring your child(ren) and stick around.  
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**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** Envelopes are in the pews for your convenience. Please print you intention clearly.  
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**COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER:**

**December 24-25:**

Regular Offering

Second Collection your gift to the Pastor  
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**CAR MAGNETS:** There are still some **Keep Christ in Christmas** magnets left. Please see Father Sam. Donation: \$5:00.  
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**CALENDARS:** Your 2015 **MARONITE** calendars have arrived and may be picked up at the entrance of the church.  
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**PASTOR'S CORNER**

Thank you for your generosity. John Handley purchased 38 \$35 gift cards for Christmas. With the 35 purchased for Thanksgiving, your kindness amounted to \$2,555.00. God Bless you.

The final window dubbed community number two has a remaining balance of \$3950. It will be St. Nemtallah El Hardini. Thanks.

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS,**



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**DATES TO REMEMBER  
2014**

- 21 December – Open House at Rectory after 10:30 a.m. Liturgy
- 24 December – Vigil of Birth of Our Lord – 5:00 p.m.
- 25 December – Birth of Our Lord – 10:30 a.m.

**2015**

- 1 January – Circumcision of Jesus (Holy Day of Obligation).
- 4 January – First Communion for 3 older youth.
- Feast of the Epiphany (Holy Day of Obligation)**
- 5 January – Vigil of the Epiphany 6:30 p.m. Liturgy
- 6 January – Feast of the Epiphany 12:00 Noon Liturgy
- 12 – 16 January – Annual Priests' Retreat.
- 7 February – Pine car race: 12:00 Noon.
- 8 February – St. Maron Feast Day Luncheon following the Liturgy.
- 9 February – Feast of St. Maron (Holy Day of Obligation)  
Liturgies: 12:00 Noon and 6:30 p.m.
- 15 February – Cana Sunday – Entrance into Lent.
- 16 February – Ash Monday – Liturgies: 12:00 Noon and 6:30 p.m.
- Fridays of Lent – Stations of the Cross 6:30 p.m. followed by a meager meal.
- 29 March – Hosanna on a Sunday (Palm Sunday).
- 2 April – Thursday of the Mysteries – Washing of the Feet: 6:30 p.m.
- 3 April – Great Friday of the Crucifixion:  
Singing of Chalice – 12 noon  
Rite a Burial – 6:30 p.m. Bring fresh flowers.
- 4 April – Saturday of the Light – Reconciliation Service  
Vigil of the Resurrection – 8:00 p.m.
- 5 April – Glorious Resurrection – 10:30 a.m.
- 3 May – Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon – May Crowning.
- 10 May – Mother's Day and First Communion.
- 14 May – Ascension of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation).

**ICON OF THE NATIVITY**



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“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)

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS  
IN MEMORIAM:**

Courtney Evans, Jacob & Lucille Zahran by Lucy Zahran.

Charlie & Eileen Cooper by Chris Cooper.

Sam & Lucy Zahran and Stefano & Marietta Iovino by Lucy Zahran.

Shelby Kannan and the Kannan and Stefanello Families.

Edward & Marjorie Barry; Melvin & Margie Criminger; Barbara Baker & Dale King  
By Ronnie and Kathy Criminger.

The Ringmann & Paoni Families and Ingeborg Vinent by Peter & Honey Paoni.

Subdeacon Claude Franklin, Sr.; Mac Antill, Anna Antill, Lucille Currie, Lonzie  
Currie by Ingrid Franklin and Family.

David Purdue by Constance Purdue.

James Robert Barefoot and Rosalie & Alfred Zahran by the Barefoot & McLamb  
Families.

Ron Hicks by Eileen Hicks.

John and Elizabeth Criste by Rick and Lori Criste.

The Najjar, Bakhos, & Dahdah Families by Father Sam & Family.

Joseph Francis Dahdah by Father Sam.

Jim Reale & all the deceased members of the Reale Family by Marie Reale.

James Monsour, Sr. & Mary; Jerry & Leah Berti by Steve & Rosalie Berti.

Bert and Charles Fadel by Freida Fadel.

The Vaughan and Lindsey Families by Ed and Lynn Vaughan.

Ruth Esteban-Rosa Baez by Ed Baez.

Chet & Rita Guzinski; Guzinski & Butchko Families by MJ Fredette & Patti  
Reynolds Family.

Stephen Fredette ; Al & Doris Fredette by Mary Joan Fredette & Family.

Warren G. & Doris Hahn by Warren and Mary Joan Hahn.

Ingrid Handley, Vivian Handley, & Bobbie Ann Young by John Handley.

George and Adele Elley by Bob & Gloria Palmer.

Elizabeth A. Donovan by Evelyn Adkins.

Brian Chase, Tom & Stella Blackard by Debi Chase.

Paul Merrick and Ralph VanHeusen by Chuck and Marie VanHeusen.

David and Florence Lewis by John and Linda Lewis.