



St. Mary's News

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St. Mary's News is a monthly electronic newsletter aimed at increasing the Congregation's awareness of church events, services, achievements, and announcements.

Coptic Synaxarion

During the month of July, the church celebrates:

Commemoration	Coptic	Date
Martyrdom of the Great Saint Anba Moses the Black	Paona 24	1-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Jude, one of the Seventy Disciples.	Paona 25	2-Jul
The Departure of the Great Prophet Joshua Son of Nun.	Paona 26	3-Jul
The Consecration of the Church of Archangel Gabriel.	Paona 26	3-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Ananias, the Apostle.	Paona 27	4-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Abba Hour and his Mother Theodora.	Paona 29	6-Jul
The Nativity of St. John, the Baptist.	Paona 30	7-Jul
The Departure of St. Thaddaeus, the Apostle.	Abib 2	9-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Peter and Paul, the Apostles.	Abib 5	12-Jul
The Departure of St. Anba Bishop.	Abib 8	15-Jul
The Departure of St. Karas, the Anchorite	Abib 8	15-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. John and Simon, his cousin.	Abib 11	18-Jul
The Departure of St. Isaiah, the hermit.	Abib 11	18-Jul
The Commemoration of Archangel Michael.	Abib 12	19-Jul
The Recovery of the Holy Relics of St. George, the Great Martyr.	Abib 16	23-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Euphemia.	Abib 17	24-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. James the Apostle, Bishop of Jerusalem.	Abib 18	25-Jul
The Commemoration of the Lady, the Virgin Mary.	Abib 21	28-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Marina, of Antioch.	Abib 23	30-Jul
The Martyrdom of St. Apanoub.	Abib 24	31-Jul

Anba Rewis Bookstore

Person of Contact: Peter Maksimos

A summary of the status of the past 3 months:

- ❖ Agpeyas and Bibles ordered/received for the church use.
- ❖ Books and gifts ordered/received for the bookstore inventory.
- ❖ There were discounts that resulted in more sales for the bookstore.
- ❖ Received items as donation for the bookstore.

The planned work for the upcoming 3 months:

- ❖ Almost done with "The point Of Sale" system.
- ❖ Organize and sort through all of the bookstore storage.
- ❖ More orders will be submitted to replace sold inventory.

General Announcements

Person of Contact: Fr. Arsanios Hanna

- ❖ The church purchased a 22-seater minibus to support the growing service needs. The rules for use will be announced and published on the next newsletter.
- ❖ Starting on June 13th there will be liturgy service at St Anthony & St Macarius Vineyard per the schedule shown below.

Day & Date	Liturgy	From	To
Saturday, June 13, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, June 20, 2015	St Mary's	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, June 27, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, July 04, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, July 11, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, July 18, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, July 25, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 01, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 08, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 15, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 22, 2015	St Mary's	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 29, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, September 05, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, September 12, 2015	St Mary's	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, September 19, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, September 26, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, October 03, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, October 10, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, October 17, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, October 24, 2015	No	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, October 31, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, November 07, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, December 05, 2015	Vineyard	8:30 AM	11:00 AM

Days marked 'No' in the liturgy column means the vineyard is available for reservation but there will be no liturgy.

Days that have a scheduled liturgy, those will be open to everyone who wish to join. The group that is reserving the day will take over after 12:00 PM.

Land of Immigration Seminar

Person of contact: Peter Salama

Peter Salama was delegated by Fr. Arsanios to represent the Youth as one of the five delegates for “Archdiocese outside of New Jersey” region. This is the first seminar of its kind aimed at defining a clear vision about the service of the Church in the land of immigration and develops the needed strategies and policies to achieve the defined vision.

His Holiness Pope Tawadros II called for an assembly of all the Coptic Orthodox Churches across the globe. Delegates from these churches met with his Holiness at St. Paul's Monastery resort, located on the shores of the Red Sea, to discuss the service and mission of the Coptic church in the lands of immigration. The Pope called for this gathering in order to collect the experiences and knowledge gained in the last 50 years of service outside of Egypt. Furthermore, his Holiness expressed that with this information the church can begin to establish a framework and system that will address the future needs of the service outside of Egypt.



The conference addressed issues such as unifying feast dates, adapting to the culture, evangelism, education, media relations, and policies governing dioceses. Finally, the Pope announced that the church will hold this conference every three years.



Land of Immigration Seminar - May 21-23, 2015
Saint Paul Monastery Retreat Center, Red Sea, Egypt

Mahragan Alkeraza 2015

Person of contact: Mary Attia & Danial Zaki

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St Mary Coptic Orthodox Church
Seattle WA

Registration date:
Starts June 7th and ends June 21st
Complete registration forms/fees are required for participation in any competitions. Extra forms can be found with Mina Salama and Mary Attia.

Mahragan dates:
Starting June 29th every Monday and Wednesday at 6:30pm - 9:45pm.

Registration fee:
\$20

Spiritual and fun competitions:
Spiritual, Coptic, Hymns, Choir, Drama, Art, Soccer, Basketball and Chess

Person of contact for any questions:
Mary Attia (425-238-6619) and Danial Zaki (425-289-8152)

HOLD FAST
what you have
that no one may take your crown - Rev 3:11

- ❖ Rules and grading criteria will be provided to the kids and parents on first day of Mahragan activities.
- ❖ Parents' orientation of curriculum, schedule, rules, and any other information related to Mahragan to be held at 6:30pm on first day of Mahragan.

Social Announcements

Person of contact: Dina Makari

NEW BORN BABIES
Congratulations to the following parents for the birth of their children
Sameh Abdelsayed and Nancy for their son Philopateer
Danial Zaki and Mirett for their son Christopher
Mena Nan and Christine for their daughter Merolla

HOLY BAPTISM
Congratulations to the following parents for baptizing their children
Adrian, son of Sherif and Rania
Angelin, daughter of Remon and Christine Flemon
Maren, daughter of Mena Flemon and Noha Labib

NEW CHURCH MEMBERS
Kerolos Melek
Magdy and his wife Doaa and their children Marlene, Merna and Kerolos
Osama Iskander and his wife Hala and their daughter Barthenia

ENGAGEMENT
Merna Abdelsayed and Marvin Nashed

OUR GRADUATES
Congratulations to all our graduates and their families
Shana Maximous: B.S in Registered Dental Hygienst, U.W
Verena Hanna: B.S in Medical Labratories Medicine, U.W
Christina Messak Salama: Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Univeristy of Puget Sound
Marina Zaki: B.A in Business Administration, U.W
Joanna Bebawi: M.S in Speech Language Pathology, Massachusettes General Hospital
Mina Yacoub: Doctor of Pharmacy, U.W
Tadros Tadros: Doctor of Dental Science, U.W
Fady Massoud: B.S in Electrical Engineering
Philip Garas: B.S in Mechanical Engineering
Mena Gad: Juris Doctor Law School, Seattle University

For announcements, suggestions and feedback you may contact the newsletter group via email.

