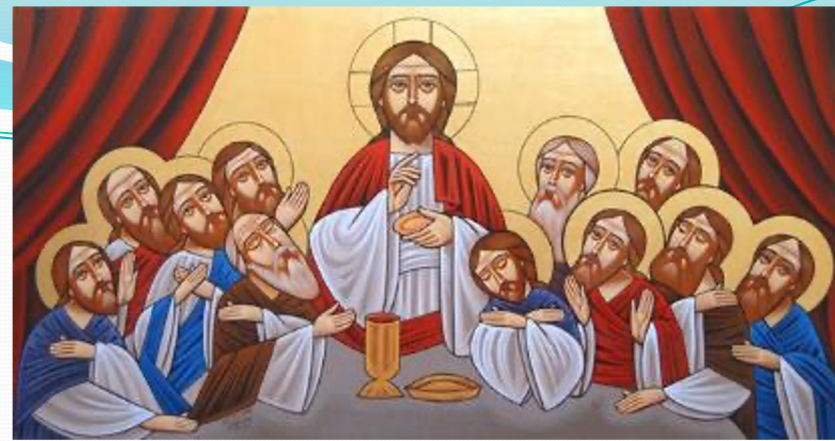


Church Announcements

**Week of
May 13**



Liturgies



1. Wednesday: **CANCELLED**
2. Thursday: **CANCELLED**
3. Saturday: 8:00 - 10:30 am
4. Sunday: 7:30 - 10:30 am



Saturday Vespers and Praises

1. **Vesper Praises: 6:30 – 7:00 pm**
2. **Vespers: 7:00 – 7:30 pm**
3. **Midnight Prayers and Praises: 7:30– 10:00 pm**



Confessions

- Fr. Younan:

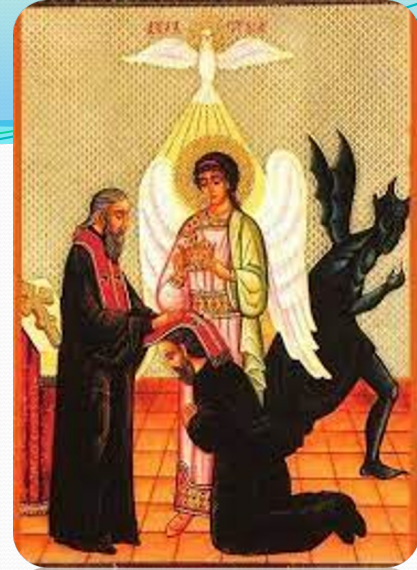
- ❑ Saturday night during midnight praises:

- ❑ Appointments: <https://fryounan.youcanbook.me/>

- Fr. James: **CANCELLED**

- ❑ Saturday night during midnight praises:

- ❑ Appointments: <https://confessions.frjames.org>



Bible Studies



1. English: **CANCELLED**

Monday: 7:30 – 8:30 pm in the CYC

2. Arabic: **CANCELLED**

Monday 7:30 – 9:00 pm in the main sanctuary

New English Bible Study Series



New Series for English Bible Study

Biblical Archaeology

Starting this March
every Monday @7:30 pm



Learn what archaeological excavation reveal about history as written in the bible

Other Meetings:

1. Arabic Prayer Meeting:

- Friday: 7:30 – 8:30 pm in the Cry Room

2. St. Timothy Servants Preparation Class:

- Friday: 7:00 – 8:30 pm on second floor of SS bldg

3. St. Augustine Youth Fellowship:

- Friday: 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the CYC/main sanctuary

Hymnology Academy

Children

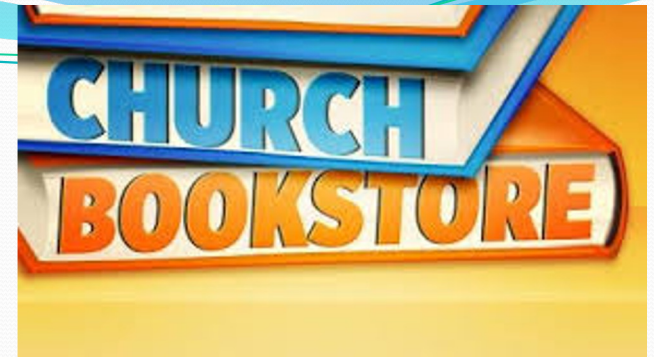
Class	Purpose	Grades	Day	Time
Archdeacon Habib Girgis	Rites	4 th & 5 th	Fridays	6:30 - 7:30
Children of Light	Praises	Middle School	Saturdays	5:00 - 6:30
King David Hymnology	Hymns	3 rd & 4 th 5 th 6 th 7 th & 8 th	Fridays	7:30 - 8:30
St. Stephen Chorus (Advanced Hymns)	Group B Chorus (years 1 & 2) - Learning Group A Chorus (>2 years) - Review	High School and Above	Sundays	2:00 - 3:00 As needed before special occasions

Class	Purpose	Grades	Day	Time
Three Sainly Children	Beginners Hymns	Adult	Saturdays	11:30 – 1:00
	Intermediate Hymns		Fridays	6:30 – 7:30

ONLINE CLASSES

Class	Purpose	Grades	Day	Time
Ti-tchrompi	Coptic Lang. & Hymns	Ladies	Tuesdays	8:00 - 9:00
Coptic Rites	Coptic Lang. & Rites	Open: 4 th and up	Tuesdays	6:30 – 7:30

Church Bookstore



- Featured books and supplies on church website
- URL:
<http://www.saintmaryhouston.org/category/image-galleries/bookstore-st-mary>
- Please visit the church bookstore to see what's new and available.

"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" John 8:32



4th ANNUAL TRUTH OR DOUBT APOLOGETIC CONFERENCE

Learn to defend your faith with reason and precision

- From Thursday, 6/13 to Saturday 6/15.
- 8:00 am to 7pm each day.
- 60 Spots for HS.
- \$130 Registration Fee
- Registration Opens on Monday, May 13th
- Registration Closes on Friday, May 31st



Archangel Raphael Ministry
presents

SPECIAL NEEDS CONVENTION 2024

CHRISTMAS in JUNE

June 13, 3 PM - June 17, 12 PM 2024

St. Stephen's Retreat Center
4951 S Washington Ave, Titusville, FL 32780

OUTDOOR & INDOOR ACTIVITIES, ARTS & CRAFTS,
PARENT SPEAKERS, SIBLING OUTINGS AND MORE!

Bring
Christmas
outfits!

Immanuel



God With Us

Register at
copticangel.org
& donate today!





Adam & Eve



Meeting on *May 30th*
from 7:00 pm to 9:00
pm, In the CYC.
Love and Respect
Skit

Comments on skit:

Fr. Makary

Activities for all the kids
in the Gym

اجتماع الام وحواء **30 مايو**
في CYC من ٧ م الى ٩ م .
أسكتش (الحب و الاحترام)

تعليق على الاسكتش:

ابونا مكارى

هيكون فى انشطه لاولادنا
فى الجيم



Adam & Eve Family meeting



**Family outing to
The Good
Shepherd retreat
center**

**June 29th
Starting with
liturgy at
8:00 am**

**Registration limited
for the liturgy and the
waitlist can join us in
the Good shepherd
For the rest of the day
till 5:00 pm**



**Last day for
registration
June 10th**

**Registration
fees: \$15**

**Fun, Games,
Lunch is
included.**

رحلة الى مركز خدمات الراعي
الصالح
يوم السبت 29 يونيو
الحجز من خلال اللينك
الحجز للقديس محدود العدد
لكن ممكن تحجزوا لقضاء بقية
اليوم بالمكان
واخر يوم للحجز 10 يونيو
رسوم الحجز \$15
هيكون في غداء و تسالي
والعاب

New Church Vans

- We need new church vans
- The cost for two vans:
\$120,000
- If you would like to contribute to the purchase of these vans kindly give a check or cash to one of the church fathers.
- Memo: Church Vans

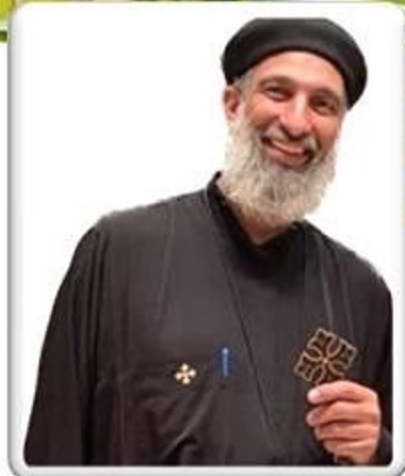


2024 MS & HS Hymns Retreat



**LIFE OF
PRAISE**
HYMNS RETREAT 2023

- ❖ From Wednesday (6/19) @8:00 am.
- ❖ To Friday (6/21) @9:00 pm.
- ❖ 40 Spots for MS / 40 Spots for HS.
- ❖ \$150 Registration Fee
- ❖ Registration Opens on Saturday, May 18th
@6:00 pm.
- ❖ Registration Closes on Friday, May 31st
@9:00 pm.



Simeon the Elder meeting
Thursday May 23rd
Will celebrate the
resurrection together
Our meeting at the CYC
from 9 am to 2 pm

Speaker: Fr. James Gendy

Pray for us

أسرة سمعان الشيخ
أجتتماعنا هيكون
يوم الخميس 23 مايو
هنحتفل مع بعض بالقيامة
من 9 ص الى 2 م في ال
CYC

هيباركنا بالحضور قدس ابونا
جيمس جندى

في انتظاركم و اذكرونا في صلاتكم





أسرة سمعان الشيخ

تعلن أسرة سمعان الشيخ عن قيامها برحلة ترفيهية يوم الثلاثاء الموافق **14 مايو** التجمع عند الكنيسة 9:00 ص, العوده الساعة 3 م هنروح كيما (ممشى و قعدات البحر) و هنروح مطعم ديماسى نأخذ الغذاء هناك

Simeon the Elder Trip

On Tuesday May 14th

Meet at church at 9:00 am
Going to Kemah Boardwalk,
then Going to Dimassi's open
Buffet

Fee \$ 20

Deadline May 9th

Registration send a message

Mrs. Susan Attalla

(281) 919-6116



قيمه الاشتراك \$20

9 مايو آخر موعد للحجز

للاستفسار والاشتراك نرجو ارسال رسالة

الى سوزان عطالله

(281) 919-6116



SUMMER 2024 RETREATS

- Middle School Boys: 6/7 – 6/9
- Middle School Girls: 6/14 – 6/16
- Connect (Elementary): 6/9 – 6/11
- High School Girls' Convent: 6/6 – 6/11
- Truth or Doubt: 6/13 – 6/15
- Hymns: 6/18 – 6/21
- Elementary Summer Retreat: 7/5 – 7/7
- Bible Quest: 7/15 – 7/19
- Pre-K Bible Quest: 7/19 – 7/20





DIOCESE OF THE SOUTHERN UNITED STATES - WEST

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF HE METROPOLITAN YOUSSEF AND HG BISHOP GREGORY

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SUMMER CAMPS
SCHEDULE

★ ★ ★ 2024 ★ ★ ★

JULY 5-7

CAMP BUCKNER, BURNET TX

JUNE 7-9

CAMP LONESTAR, TOMBALL, TX

JUNE 14-16

CAMP LONESTAR, TOMBALL, TX

JULY 5-7

CAMP BUCKNER, BURNET TX

JUNE 6-11

ST. MARY'S CONVENT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

**ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**



**MIDDLE
SCHOOL BOYS**



**MIDDLE
SCHOOL GIRLS**



**HIGH
SCHOOL BOYS**



**HIGH SCHOOL
GIRLS**





**"I HAVE FOUGHT THE
GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE
FINISHED THE RACE"**

1 TIMOTHY 4:7

ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP

Location: Camp Buckner

Registration:

Opens: May 12th at 6:00 pm

Closes: May 26th at 6:00 pm

**JULY
5-7**

**GRADE
2ND - 5TH**



**COST
\$200**

Coptic Orthodox
Diocese of Southern US



BOYS MIDDLE SCHOOL

SUMMER CAMP

BEHIND THE ENEMY LINES

**“Be Strong in the Lord and in the
power of His Might”
(Ephesians 6:10)**

CAMP LONESTAR PINES
22610 Tuwa Rd, Tomball, TX 77375
JUNE 7-9TH

Registration opens on Monday, April 8 @ 7 PM
Cost: \$215 (No refund after 4/28)

Registration link:
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/7eb28cde-79d4-4578-8b1e-db3e9cb486af>



For more info:
925-577-6381

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“Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the LORD, she
shall be praised.” Proverbs 31:30

June 14-16

Camp Lone Star - Pines

22610 Tuwa Rd, Tomball, TX 77375, USA



COPTIC ORTHODOX DIOCESE OF THE SOUTHERN UNITED STATES

**2024 Girls Summer Middle School
Summer Camp**

Houston - San Antonio - Austin

Age: Completed 6th-8th grade

**Registration: April 7th @ 7 pm to April
28th @ Midnight**

Cost: \$215 (NO refund after 4/28)

Link: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/9736acec-5ffc-4f99-a8b7-285f221bebc5>

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.



HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SUMMER CAMP

REGISTRATION FROM MAY 12-26

Limited spots for Austin, Houston, and San Antonio youth.

REGISTER HERE

[HTTPS://WWW.ZEFFY.COM/EN-US/TICKETING/E1B22E80-068F-4296-BC6D-22C614019FF3](https://www.zeffy.com/en-us/ticketing/e1b22e80-068f-4296-bc6d-22c614019ff3)



"WALK IN THE SPIRIT, AND YOU SHALL NOT FULFILL THE LUST OF THE FLESH."

(GALATIANS 5:16)



Camp Buckner,
Burnet, TX

CAMP DATES: July 5-7

High School Girls Convent Trip

Registration opens 4/15

Registration closes 5/15

\$250/person

Leaving 6/6 @ 9PM

Returning 6/11@ noon

“A heart at the right” (Ecclesiastes 10:2)

* Open for high school girls **ONLY** from Houston, San Antonio, and Austin *

Registration link: <https://saintmaryhouston.org/content/event-registration>

CONNECT Elementary Summer CAMP 2024



- Sunday, June 9 from 3:30 – 8:00 pm
- Monday, June 10 from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 11 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (outing)

Mandatory at least one parent/guardian presentation by Father Tobia on Sunday, June 9 from 4:00 – 5:30 pm followed by joint activities with their kids until 6:45 pm
Optional dinner at 7:00 pm; details to follow in Evite once registration closes

Registration opens:

- 2nd and 3rd grades on 4/21 at 8:00 pm and closes on 4/23
- 4th and 5th grades on 4/24 at 8:00 pm and closes on 4/26
- Waitlist for all grades on 4/27 at 8:00 pm and closes on 4/29
- Maximum capacity of camp is 50; price is \$85

Chaperones must sign up for the Camp using chaperon sign-up from 4/22-4/29!



*Guest Speaker:
Father Tobia
Sunday, 4:00-5:30 pm*

Questions:

Please contact Mrs. Shirley Milad by text 713-859-2297



Bible Quest 2024

Monday July 15th to Friday July 19th

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Current 1st grade to 8th grade Sunday School Students

Cost \$185

Elementary Bible Quest Registration

1st-4th grades open Tuesday 4/16 at 7:00 pm

Available spots for kids: 75

Middle School 5th-8th grades open Wednesday 4/17 at 7:00 pm

Available spots for kids: 75

Wait List for 1st - 8th graders will open on Thursday, 4/18 at 7:00 pm on church website.

Chaperone sign up for current 12th graders and up will be active on the Website starting 7:00 pm Thursday 4/18.

For questions, please contact Mrs. Nancy Bernaba @ nancybernaba1@gmail.com

Phone # 310-344-8423

PreK 1 to KG Bible Quest

Dates: Fri, July 19 10:30 am - 3:00 pm
Sat, July 20, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Registration Opens: April 14 at 6:00 pm

Cost: \$75/child
60 available spots!
Kids must be potty trained!

Registration Opens for Chaperones: April 15 at 6:00 pm

Contact: Mirelle Tedross: 832-775-6894
Mariam Armanious: 281-832-9397



Egypt 12% - May Home Restorations for Villages



Homes in 2 impoverished villages in El Minya in Upper Egypt are in need of restoration. The living conditions are extremely poor and basic needs such as *doors, windows, rooms, kitchens, bathrooms* and *ceilings* are needed to improve the living environment for the villagers. Between the two villages, a total of **27 families** will be able to rebuild their modest homes with the help of local daily workers and youth in addition to a mission trip team from the Southern Diocese. Help support this mission and give protection and sanitation to our brethren in need. A total of **\$25,855** is needed for this effort!





GLOBAL COPTIC DAY 6.1.2024

We are delighted to invite you to our Coptic church to learn more about the wealth of the Coptic heritage on the occasion of our Global Coptic Day on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm at St. Mary and Archangel Michael Coptic Orthodox Church.

SATURDAY
JUNE 1, 2024

7030 LAKEVIEW HAVEN DRIVE
HOUSTON, TX 77095

KINDLY REGISTER
BY MAY 20

The emblem depicts Egypt as royalty, with her name in Hieroglyphics enclosed in a cartouche (Kemet: Black Land), and surrounded by the Lord Jesus Christ (Ankh: Key of Life), who is both the Alpha and the Omega.

CLICK BELOW TO REGISTER

FREE REGISTRATION



GLOBAL COPTIC DAY CONTEST

SAYINGS OF THE COPTIC DESERT FATHERS

IF YOU ARE COPTIC ORTHODOX AND WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, WE ASK THAT YOU SHOOT A 1-2-MINUTE VIDEO DISCUSSING YOUR FAVORITE SAYING FROM THE "SAYINGS OF THE COPTIC DESERT FATHERS" (CHOOSE ONLY ONE)

PARTICIPANTS WILL INCLUDE:

1. Name, age, where you live (and which church you would like the donation to go to if you win)
2. Favorite saying from the "Sayings of the Desert Fathers"
3. Reciting of only ONE "Saying" in the video and discuss the spiritual interpretation and how you can benefit from it
4. Provide some details of the AUTHOR of the saying and VERY BRIEFLY mention any important details regarding that Coptic Desert Father
5. Participant must be physically in the video
6. Only send ONE video submission per email (If you send more than one in an email, then those submissions will not be accepted)
7. You video MUST be less than 2 minutes. Anything after this limit will not be judged
8. You MUST send a YouTube link of your video only (Any formats that require downloading will NOT be accepted)

There are 3 TOTAL categories this year
and 3 PRIZES for each category:

-\$10000 FOR 1ST PLACE

-\$7500 FOR 2ND PLACE

-\$5000 FOR 3RD PLACE



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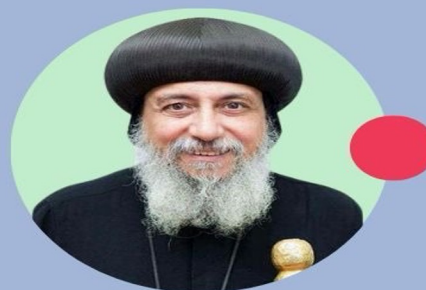
Joint North American Retreat
Ages 25-40



SEP 20 – 22
DALLAS, TX



**BISHOP
ANGAELOS**
Speaker

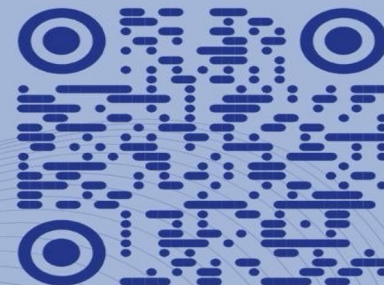


**METROPOLITAN
THOMAS**
Speaker

Learn more at



[WeAreOneCoptic.org](https://www.WeAreOneCoptic.org)





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EGYPT

MISSION TRIP

July 9 - 18, 2024



MEDICAL



EDUCATION



LABOR

TRIP INCLUDES

- Meals & Lodging
- Transportation
- Church & Monastery visits
- Fun activities

SERVICES

- Medical- Healthcare screening & maintenance program
- Education- Teach children English
- Labor- Build ceilings, rooms, bathrooms, doors & windows

*Airfare not included

**REGISTRATION OPENS
MARCH 20 6PM CST**

HOPE.SUSCOPTS.ORG

Email: hope@suscopts.org Phone: 832-429-7502

\$500
/person

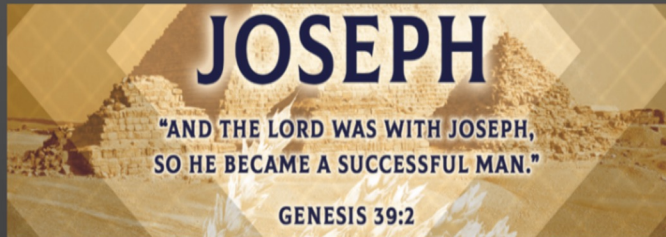
EL
MINYA

- *Must be 21 or older
- * 18 or older with parent



St. Joseph's Annual High School Graduation Celebration

Calling all **High School Seniors** and their
Immediate Families!



Sunday, 12th of May 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Registration Form: (closes on Sunday, March 31st at 11:59 pm)

<https://forms.gle/Jz38WzS4TJDfSVzU8>



SUMMER SEMESTER 2024

FAMILY MINISTRY PROGRAM

COPTIC ORTHODOX DIOCESE OF THE SOUTHERN UNITED STATES

MISSION

TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, AND HEAL THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY BY TRAINING MEN AND WOMEN FROM CONGREGATION ALL OVER NORTH AMERICA TO ASSIST THE CLERGY IN SHEPHERDING THE FLOCK.

FAMILY ISSUES

PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE

CRISIS INTERVENTION

PARENTING



ADDICTION

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

HUMAN SEXUALITY

ADOLESCENCE

AND MUCH MORE...

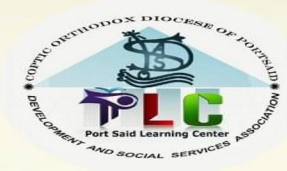
Summer Semester: May 24th to August 9th, 2024

Onsite Meeting: May 24th to May 26th, 2024

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

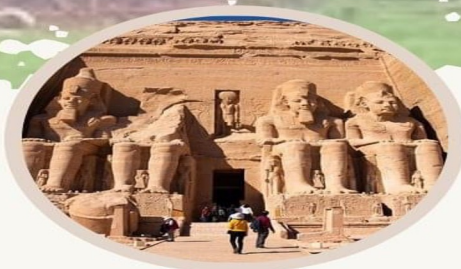
- ❖ This is a distance learning program.
- ❖ You will be studying 22 courses in 2 years.
- ❖ There will be 3 onsite meetings per year at St. Stephen Retreat Center in Titusville, FL (Martin Luther King, Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends)

For more information, go to the website at <http://fmp.suscopts.org>
Summer 2024 Program Application deadline is April 7th, 2024



Egypt Mission Trip

WITH
PORT SAID DIOCESE



TRIP

- Teach English to children
- Serve those living in poverty
- Visit religious sites
- Tour ancient cities & fun activities

RESERVE SPOT

Hope.suscopts.org

DETAILS

- **FREE TRIP!!!** (Airline not included)
- Must be 21 years or older
- Room & board/meals are provided
- Volunteers are paid a stipend (EGP 12,000/month)

DATES

1st Session: **March 1 - May 31**

2nd Session: **June 1 - August 31**

Dates are flexible, reach out at dssaegypt1@gmail.com for more info.

Registration Link

for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade



Children
of Light

Registration URL:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScIXInoPRr5uIlg7a2a-a3n5oeOCecKIDBvY3wqfvEHAYEKEug/viewform?pli=1>



Deacon Habib Guirgis Deacon's Class for 4th and 5th Grade Deacons



Registration is now open. Parents of interested children should register using this form:
<https://forms.gle/LDt6SJC�9dwBRVgs7>

Class will meet every Friday from 6:30-7:30 P.M. in the Sunday School Portables.

Children will learn liturgical rites, Coptic language, and deacon responses.

ABC Sports Registration

- **ABC sports for Middle and High School:**
 - Every Wednesday from 5pm to 7 pm
 - One week for the boys and one week for the girls
 - To register contact Basim Bacenty at 646-286-3352 (text only)
- **ABC sports for Elementary School:**
 - Every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm
 - One week for 3rd grade to 5th grade and another week for 2nd grade and below
 - To register contact Sabry Eskandr at 832-419-3782 (text only)

St. Mary and Archangel Michael Weekly Sports Activities

	Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Elem. ABC (KG-2nd) <i>Alternating weeks</i>		6:30 – 8:30 pm	
Elem. ABC (3rd-5th) <i>Alternating weeks</i>		6:30 – 8:30 pm	
MS & HS Boys ABC <i>Alternating weeks</i>		8:30 – 10:00 pm	Suspended (CBA)
MS & HS Girls ABC <i>Alternating weeks</i>		8:30 – 10:00 pm	Suspended (CBA)
Soccer <i>(HS & above)</i>	7:30 – 10:00 pm		8:30 – 10:00 pm
HS Boys Basketball		8:30 – 10:30 pm every Wed except 1 st Wed of month	Suspended (CBA)
Ping Pong <i>(College & above)</i>	7:30 – 10:30 pm	6:30 – 10:00 pm	
Volleyball <i>(College & above)</i>	7:30 – 10:30 pm		

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✓ **APPOINTMENTS**

713-228-9411

✓ **VOLUNTEERING**

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✓ **DONATION**

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www.stverenaclinic.org

Church's reverence and respect – guidelines ⁽¹⁾

1. Attending early is a mandate for communion
2. Deacons must arrive by 8:00 am to serve
3. No talking inside the church during the service
4. Cell phones are to be turned off or set on Silent Mode
5. Men and women are to be seated on their respective side (north side for the men and south side for women)

Church's reverence and respect – guidelines (2)

6. Children are not to be permitted to roam inside the church – no running or talking
7. No eating or drinking inside the sanctuary or the cry room
8. Decent dress code is to be strictly observed – ladies are to refrain from using lipsticks

Church's reverence and respect – guidelines (3)

9. Cooperation with the church ushers is expected from all parishioners.
10. No gathering in the foyer during the service or the announcements
11. Deacons are asked to kindly join the chorus outside