



ST CYRIL THE SIXTH COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH - 100 BERNARD RD. JACKSONVILLE, FL 32218

ST. CYRIL VI MONTHLY BULLETIN

CHURCH'S SEASON:

COPTIC NEW YEAR 9/11

FEAST OF THE CROSS 9/27-9/29

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NEWS

+ St Cyril Community would like to extend condolences to Mrs Mona Makary and the whole family for the departure of her nephew, Michael Elia Aziz.

"For God loves a cheerful giver"
(2 Corinthians 9:7)

"Let this year, O Lord, be a happy year. Put a smile on each face and gladden every heart. Let Your grace emerge in our trials and help those who are tempted. Grant us peace and quietness of mind. Give those who are in need, cure the sick and console the grieved. We do not ask You, God, only for ourselves, but we ask for all, because they are Yours. You created them to rejoice in You, then make them happy with You. We ask You for the Church, for Your mission, that Your word may reach every heart. We ask you for our country, for the world's peace that Your Kingdom may come everywhere."

"Words of Spiritual Benefit, Volume 1, Topic 25," His Holiness Pope Shenouda III

SERVICE TIMES

Vesper Prayers:

Friday, 9/13 & 9/27 - 6:00pm

Divine Liturgy:

Saturday, 9/14 &

9/28 (Feast of the Cross) - 8:30am

COPTIC NEW YEAR (EL-NAYROUZ)

+ Coptic years are counted from 284 A.D., the year Diocletian became the Roman Emperor. His reign was considered to be one of the hardest times that the Coptic church faced and became known to believers as "the era of martyrdom". Hence, out of honor for the martyrs of the church, a Coptic year became referenced with the abbreviation A.M. (Anno Martyrum or "Year of the Martyrs"). Now known as El- Nayrouz, a feast where martyrs and confessors are commemorated within the Coptic Orthodox Church on the First of Thout or September 11 of each year (September 12 on a leap year).

+A new year in the Coptic Orthodox Church is a time of renewal. We celebrate this renewal by praising the repose of the saints and rejoicing in their entry into the eternal life. The church reminds us of the martyrs who died for Christ and to set them as examples for us to live by in the new year, as role models in our spiritual struggle.

+Let us start the spiritual journey of another Coptic year, with all of its seasons, struggles, and spiritual practices with a renewed and inspired heart. Rather than only admiring them, let's take the lives of the saints who persevered and died for Christ as motivation and inspiration for us to fight the good fight throughout our spiritual journey on Earth. Beyond inspiration, let's get familiar with the saints of the church by building a close relationship with them as helpers and supporters that walk with us day-to-day in our spiritual path.

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