

Saint Stephen Maronite Catholic Church

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Weekend Liturgy: Sunday 12:30 PM

Location 4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd, Waxhaw, NC 28173

Daily Liturgy: At 2951 Brookridge Lane, Charlotte, NC 28211

Monday 6:30 PM (St Sharbel Liturgy & Novena)

Wednesday 6:30 PM (St Rafka Liturgy & Novena)

Thursday & Friday 10:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Thursday @ 11 AM

Birth of John the Baptist

December 7, 2024

Galatians 4:21-5:1 Luke 1:57-66

*Blessed be
the Lord,
the God
of Israel
For He has
visited and
brought
redemption
to His
people!!!*



PARISH MISSION

The Mission of Saint Stephen Maronite Catholic Church, is to be anchored in the Lord Jesus Christ & the Teachings of the Catholic Church. United in Love & Faith, We Welcome with Open Arms and Hearts all Our Brothers and Sisters to join Our Family, God's Family.

BAPTISM & CHRISMATIONS: Please contact Fr. Rodolph for the proper preparation.

MARRIAGES: Preparations are needed at least 6 (six) months in advance.

CONFESIONS: Available before and after the Divine Liturgy and anytime upon request.

SICK CALLS: If someone is sick, hospitalized, homebound or in a Nursing Home, please contact Fr. Rodolph to let him know.

MASS INTENTIONS : Call (704) 412-1016 or email:

saintstephenmaronitechurch@gmail.com

NEW COMMERS: Welcome to your family.

Please make yourself at home. When you are with us, you are not a guest, you are one of us.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, December 8th @ 6:30 PM

at the Chapel 2951 Brookridge Lane, Charlotte



To Offer the Mass for your loved ones
(Living or Deceased) email:
saintstephenmaronitechurch@gmail.com
Or call: (704) 412-1016

Sun. 12.7.2025 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd	No Intentions Requested
Mon. 12.8.25 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St Sharbel Liturgy & Novena For the Soul of Remi Adaymeh
Wed. 12.10.25 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St. Rafka Liturgy & Novena No Intentions Requested
Thu. 12.11.25 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	Liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary No Intentions Requested
Fri. 12.12.25 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	No Intentions Requested
Sunday 12.14.25 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd	For the Acey and Tutino Families

Thank you



May God bless you for your Generosity

Collection 11/30/2025

Church Collection	\$693.00
Online Weekly	\$230.00
Online Monthly	\$0.00
Total	\$923.00

Annual Budget (\$7,500 X 12 Months) **\$90,000.00**

Weekly Budget (90,000 ÷ 52 weeks) **\$1,730.00**

Last week's Income	\$923.00
Collected to Date	\$44,699.00
Donations	\$4,550.00
Grant from Catholic Extension	\$8,000.00
Festival Net Profit	\$32,900.00
Total Income	\$90,149.00
Over Budget: \$149.00	

Please keep in your Prayers:

Deacon Frank Enderle, Pina Habbal,
Judge Moossa, Eduardo Perales,
Mary Shaheen and Aleena Tashjian.



Please let Fr Rodolph know of anyone who is sick, undergoing surgery, homebound or in Nursing Home so that we can all pray for them. Fr. Rodolph would give them the anointing of the Sick and bring them Holy Communion. Please Call Fr Rodolph: 704-412-1016

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Birth of John the Baptist



Galatians 4:21-5:1

Tell me, you who want to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the freeborn woman. The son of the slave woman was born naturally, the son of the freeborn through a promise. Now this is an allegory. These women represent two covenants. One was from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; this is Hagar. Hagar represents Sinai, a mountain in Arabia; it corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery along with her children. But the Jerusalem above is freeborn, and she is our mother. For it is written: "Rejoice, you barren one who bore no children; break forth and shout, you who were not in labor; for more numerous are the children of the deserted one than of her who has a husband." Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of the promise. But just as then the child of the flesh persecuted the child of the spirit, it is the same now. But what does the scripture say? "Drive out the slave woman and her son! For the son of the slave woman shall not share the inheritance with the son" of the freeborn. Therefore, brothers, we are children not of the slave woman but of the freeborn woman. For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

Luke 1:57-66

When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child she gave birth to a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy toward her, and they rejoiced with her. When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John." But they answered her, "There is no one among your relatives who has this name." So they made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened, his tongue freed, and he spoke blessing God. Then fear came upon all their neighbors, and all these matters were discussed throughout the hill country of Judea. All who heard these things took them to heart, saying, "What, then, will this child be?" For surely the hand of the Lord was with him.

Your word is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path.
Psa. 119:105

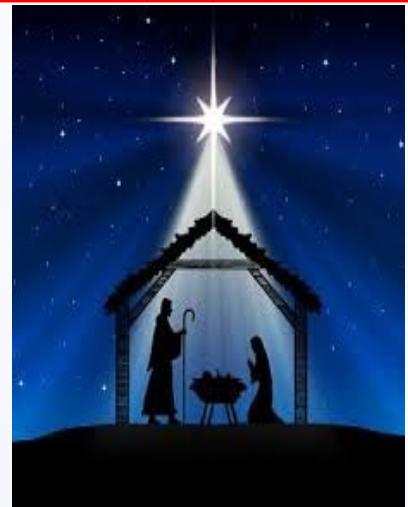
Christmas Dinner

Saturday December 13 at 5PM – 8PM

@ St Matthew's Ballantyne, Banquet Room

Music & Fun

50/50 DRAWING



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*Santa is Coming
with
Bag Full of Gifts*

For Information

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Parish Council Meeting
Thursday, December 18 @ 6:30pm
@ St Matthew's Ballantyne, Room # 234

Hospitality Sign up

Dec. 7: Shaheen Family

Jan. 4: _____

Dec. 14: _____

Jan. 11: _____

Dec. 21: Del Pozo Family

Jan. 18: _____

Dec. 28: _____

Jan. 25: _____

***** Thank You *****

Sign up Sheet is on the table in the Lobby.

May God bless you for your generosity and support.

St Stephen Church



Christmas Dinner



You are all invited to join us

Saturday December 13th, 5pm-8pm

St Matthew's Banquet Hall

8015 Ballantyne Commons Pkwy,

All Welcome

Charlotte, NC 28277

Free Admission

50/50 Drawing



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