



A Brief History of St. John the Baptist

The Christian mission in Egypt has been in Maadi since 1920 when a temporary building was erected by the

British Church Army near the Nile under the name of St. John of the Wilderness. Plans for our current building were drawn-up by the famous architect, Sir Herbert Baker (sketches are mounted in the sanctuary). Finances were raised by Lady Percy Loraine, the wife of the British High Commissioner. By 1930 (under the oversight of the Bishop of Egypt and Sudan, the Most. Rev. Llewellyn Gwynne) the present building was built with the more recognizable patronage of St. John the Baptist. As Maadi developed, the church became a focal point for the Spiritual life of the residents.

Life changed in Maadi during the Second World War (1939–45) and the church then served many of the thousands of soldiers from Australia, New Zealand and South Africa based nearby. In those six years, 76,000 soldiers trained in Wadi Degla. The population of St. John the Baptist changed radically in 1956 when, as a result of the Suez crisis, some 13,000 British citizens along with French and Jewish people were expelled from Egypt. At that point the church was leased by the diocese to a Community Church whose descendent group continues to meet in the tent outside.

Today St. John the Baptist is a flourishing part of the Anglican diocese of Egypt and North Africa that spans from Algeria in North Africa to Somalia in the Horn of Africa. It is very much a part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. In addition to our English-speaking congregation, we have an Egyptian Anglican community and a Sudanese Anglican community each with a priest and separate worship times.

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The Church of St. John the Baptist (SJB) is a part of the Episcopal / Anglican Diocese of Egypt, North Africa and the Horn of Africa

*Consecrated by Archbishop
Llewellyn Gwynne in 1931*

Wednesday 9 AM **SJB** ANGLICAN Holy Communion English *Rev. Michael*

Thursday 6.30 PM **SJB** ANGLICAN Contemplative Prayer Service English
Rev. Michael

Friday 10 AM **SJB** ANGLICAN Holy Communion English *Rev. Michael*

Friday 1.00 PM Korean Church *Pastor David*

Friday 2.30 PM Africa Community Church *Pastor Sikod*

Friday 5.00 PM Maadi Community Church English *Pastor Steve Flora*

Friday 6.30 PM **SJB** ANGLICAN Holy Communion Sudanese *Rev. Emmanuel*

Saturday 10.00 AM Redeemed Christian Church of God Nigerian *Pastor Chinedu*

Saturday 6.00 PM Eglise Engelique du Caire French *Pastor Michael Schlick*

Saturday 7.30 PM **SJB** PRAISE last Saturday of each month *Rev. Michael*

Sunday 10.30 AM Sudanese Community Church *Pastor Peter*

Sunday 2.00 PM **SJB** ANGLICAN Holy Communion Sudanese Arabic *Rev. Emmanuel*

Sunday 5.30 PM Korean Church *Pastor David*

Sunday 7.30 PM **SJB** ANGLICAN Holy Communion Egyptian Arabic *Rev. Hamdy*

Monday 5.00 PM Africa Inland Church *Pastor Marko*

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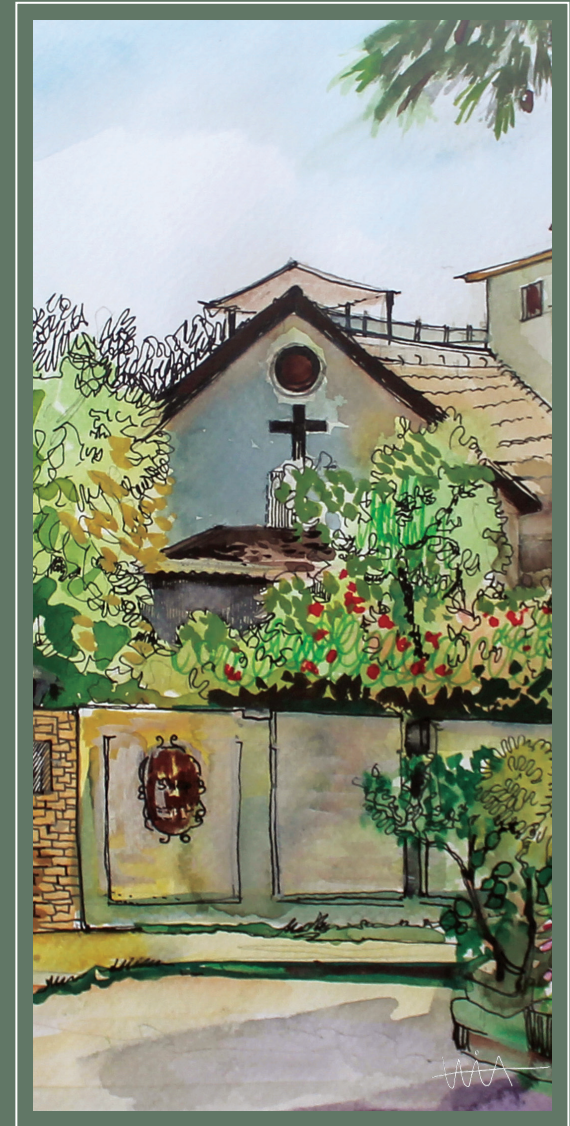
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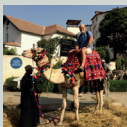
The Church of St. John the Baptist

Maadi, Cairo



An International Community in the
Diocese of Egypt

Founded in 1931



Welcome

It is my great honor to welcome you to The Church of St. John the Baptist in Maadi, Cairo. Let me say right away this special place in the midst of all the color and challenge of Egypt was built so that YOU could be a part of the community of Christ that calls this place home. This place is meant for you. Wherever you are from, you are our brother or sister and you are welcome! I wonder if you already sensed the wonderful blessing of this place and this community as you came through the gates and into the sanctuary? I hope so. My prayer, dear friend, is that here at St. John's (however long you are here) you will meet, know and love the living Christ who merits all the glory in heaven and on earth. We are so happy to welcome you and hope you will keep coming back to participate in fellowship and worship. I hope you sense the Lord blessing you in Egypt.



Rev. Michael Dobson (Rector)
The Church of St. John the Baptist
Maadi November 2016

St. John the Baptist Ministries

The Spiritual life of our English congregation is centered on the celebration of Holy Communion each Friday morning at 10.00 am; this is the main service time. Thankfully the Sanctuary and the church hall are air-conditioned for year-round comfort. The worship is remarkably uplifting and refreshing and we are proud to share many significant prayers in common with Christians since the earliest days of the faith. The acoustics of the building make the singing of great hymns and modern compositions a real treat to the ear and soul. Newcomers find it easy to join in as every word of the service is printed in a booklet produced specially for the day. Children participate in one of three grade-level groups in a Church School that meets during the service. A safe, high-quality Nursery is provided for smaller children.

On Thursday nights from October to May St. John the Baptist leads a Contemplative Prayer service in the Sanctuary. The space is lit with candles and simple chants



are sung; many consider this the greatest blessing of peace in their weekly routine.

We are a welcoming community, ready to support all pastoral needs and with strong links to mission and outreach projects throughout the city. We are confident you will find a very warm, encouraging and supportive home here. For countless years St. John the Baptist has been a Spiritual Home away from Home.

There are many activities to get involved with at St. John the Baptist including public lectures, the Alpha Course, the SJB Home Group, Alpha Marriage, Di-Vine Time Movie Nights, the SJB Altar Guild, the Maadi Women's Guild, SJB Praise, the Worship Music Team, the SJB Youth Program, the Intercessory Prayer Guild, the SJB Reader's Guild, the SJB Annual Retreat, hospitality and various fund raising events. If you are interested in any of these – make a note as you fill in a yellow information sheet and pass it to one of the ministers so they can contact you.



Service Times

Contemplative Prayer in English A reflective service of Taizé chants, candlelight and silence. It begins in the sanctuary at 6.30 pm each Thursday evening from October to June.

Holy Communion in English A family service of Scripture, reading, prayer, teaching and Sacrament with a professional nursery and three grade-level church school programs. All denominational backgrounds are welcome. Services begin in the Sanctuary at 10.00 am each Friday throughout the year.

Occasional Services St. John the Baptist is a favorite spot for weddings that under certain circumstances can be held in the Sanctuary and in other cases are best held in the outdoor areas. Please contact the rector for information.

Our guest congregations St. John the Baptist is very proud to provide a home for several non-conformist Christian groups with various language and religious affiliations (see back).

How to Find Us

The Church of St. John the Baptist is located at the corner of Port Said Road and Road 17 in Maadi in south Cairo. It is a 15-minute walk from Cairo American College and about 16 minutes from the Metro along road 9 turning left onto Street 82. Look us up on Google Maps.

Rev. Michael Dobson	Priest-in-charge for English and Rector
Mr. Richard Kaiser	Lay Minister and Warden for English
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