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**Sunday of
the Paralytic**



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السنة الثالثة عشرة - العدد ٦٤٠

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المخلّع

Divine Liturgy Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 AM Tue - Sat: 6:30 PM	April 3 - 9, 2011 Sunday 1Tim 5:24- 6:5 Mk 2:1- 12 Monday Eph 5:3- 13 Mk 5:1- 20 Tuesday 1Tim 1:1- 8 Mk 6:47- 56 Wednesday Eph 6:1- 9 Lk 7:11- 17 Thursday 2Tim 1:6- 14 Mk 4:33- 41 Friday Phil 2:12- 19 Lk 4:31- 44 Saturday Col 3:23- 4:7 Mk 7:31- 37	Pastor Fr. Milad Yaghi, M.L.M. frmilad@usa.com
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 30 min. before Mass by request		Associate Pastor Fr. Pierre El Khoury, M.L.M. frpierre@gmail.com
Sacrament of Crowning (Marriage) Notify the Pastor Four months in advance		Associate Pastor Fr. André Estephan, M.L.M. fr_andremlm@yahoo.com
Sacrament of Baptism (and Confirmation) Contact the Parish office to register for the class		Subdeacon Jim Pinero jimp1940@aol.com
Anointing of the Sick Contact the Pastor		Parish Council President Nicolas Nammour, MD nic_nammour@hotmail.com
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The following is a translation of the song performed by the choir at the farewell Mass for Father André Estephan. The original song's Arabic lyrics are on the opposite page. The music for the song was adapted from a hymn composed by Father André.

*Times are good when we are together
when we hear your words, our heart is no longer troubled
We've lit candles, made vows, and prayed to the Virgin
to keep you here with us*

Your generosity consoles the heart of the deprived
your hands build Churches of faith
Now the Parish of Our Lady of Lebanon
will grow and thrive with you being there

Times are good ... to keep you here with us

Our parish will miss you, O great treasure
but you will remain a song on our lips
I congratulate You, Harissa, on your upcoming treasure
Houston's precious gift to You

Times are good ... to keep you here with us

O nicest heart how you used to watch over us
Your love and dedication made our choir grow
What will happen now to the choir
after it loses your warm wing

Times are good ... to keep you here with us

We wish you would stay with us

Abouna, please stay with us

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ندرنا وشموع ضوينا للعدراء كثير صلينا
لحتى تضلك معنا

قلب المحروم ياما تهنى من جودك كنايس ايمان بتعمرها بزودك
بكرا بتتمى رعيتها وتحلى وتعلم دنيتها
سيدة لبنان بوجودك

بتحلى الأوقات كلما فيك اجتمعنا

يا كنز كبير رح تفقدلو الرعية لكن بتضل فوق شفافا غنية
يا حريصا بهنيك بهالكنز الي جايبك
من هيوستن أعلى هدية

بتحلى الأوقات كلما فيك اجتمعنا

يا أطيب قلب شو كان علينا يسهر بحب واخلاص خلّيت الجوقة تعمر
كيف رح بتصير حالتنا بكرا لما جوقتنا
جناحك الدافي تخسر

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يا ريت بتبقى معنا

يا بونا ضلك معنا

Parish Announcements

Welcome new members and visitors

Please provide address and other contact information using the forms in the lobby or by e-mailing frmilad@usa.com.

Almahaba Advertisements

Individuals and companies are encouraged to place ads in Almahaba. Please send an e-mail to almahabaolc@yahoo.com for more information.

Family Offering

Please call the Parish office to sign-up.

Parish E-mail List

To receive time-sensitive and important announcements, or to update your listing, please send an email to frmilad@usa.com.

Vacation Bible School Committee

If anyone would like to be involved in this committee, please notify Tommy Cordova @ tommylcordova@gmail.com.

Collections & Donations

F.T.C.M. Apr. 4

Class meets on Monday at 7 PM.

Last Sunday \$4,701

Pledges \$3,180

Parish Council Apr. 5

Monthly meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

Knights of the Cedars Apr. 6

Monthly meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 PM. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock.

Prayer Group Apr. 7

The Prayer Group meets every Thursday at 7 PM.

CCE Apr. 9

Classes will meet next Saturday between Noon and 2 PM.

Vacation Bible School June 6- 10

Registration will begin next Sunday, April 10, following Mass.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent, we will celebrate Mass at 6:30 PM, followed by the Stations of the Cross.

Lenten guidelines for the Maronites of the United States

All Maronites who are physically capable are to abstain from meat on Ash Monday and all Fridays of Lent.

Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion are also days of Fasting (No food or drink, except water and medicine) from midnight to noon.

For all Parish information and daily news, visit www.ourladyofthecedars.net