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Maronite Church
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**الظهور
في عماوس**

Apparition at Emmaus

<p>Divine Liturgy Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 AM Tue – Sat: 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Third Week of The Resurrection April 18-25</p>	<p>Pastor Fr. Milad Yaghi, M.L.M. frmilad@usa.com</p>
<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 30 min. before Mass by request</p>	<p>Jesus appears at Emmaus 2Tim 2:8-13 Lk 24:13-35</p>	<p>Associate Pastor Fr. Pierre El-Khoury, M.L.M. frpierre@gmail.com</p>
<p>Sacrament of Crowning (Marriage) Notify the Pastor four months in advance</p>	<p>Monday 1Pet 2:18-25 Lk 24:44-49</p>	<p>Associate Pastor Fr. Andre Estephan, M.L.M. fr_andremlm@yahoo.com</p>
<p>Sacrament of Baptism (and Confirmation) Notify the Pastor one month in advance</p>	<p>Tuesday 1Pet 3:1-12 Jn 6:28-34</p>	<p>Subdeacon Jim Pinero jimp1940@aol.com</p>
<p>Anointing of the Sick Contact the Pastor</p>	<p>Wednesday 1Pet 3:13-22 Jn 6:34-40</p>	<p>Parish Council President Nicolas Nammour, MD nic_nammour@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Parish Organizations Daughters of Mary Knights of the Cedars Maronite Youth (MYO)</p>	<p>Thursday 1Pet 4:1-11 Jn 6:41-47</p>	<p>CCE Director Rebecca Carrum gcarrum@sbcglobal.net</p>
	<p>Friday – St. George Feast Day 1Pet 4:12-19 Jn 6:48-59</p>	<p>Youth Coordinator Stephanie Rocha stephanie.rocha@hok.com</p>
	<p>Saturday 1Pet 5:1-14 Jn 6:60-71</p>	<p>Choir Director Joseph Rouhana Logopg1@aol.com</p>
	<p>Jesus appears at Sea Heb 13:18-25 Jn 21:1-14</p>	<p>Parish Secretary Michelle Fuentes sydneyaus@live.com</p>
<p>Our Lady of the Cedars Maronite Church 11935 Bellfort Village Drive, Houston, Texas 77031 Telephone: 281.568.6800 – www.ourladyofthecedars.net Church Office Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM –2:00 PM</p>		

Fall 2010

SEMESTER I CENTERS

Our Lady of the Cedars Maronite Church
11935 Belfort Village, Houston TX 77031
281-568-6800

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Ministry: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 13
Old Testament: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
New Testament: Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13
Day of Reflection - Many Members: Sat., Oct. 30 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 16

St. Philip Neri Church

10960 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Houston TX 77048
713-734-0320

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Ministry: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 13
Old Testament: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
New Testament: Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13
Day of Reflection - Many Members: Sat., Nov. 6 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 16

Christ the Good Shepherd Church

18511 Klein Church Rd., Spring, TX 77379
281-376-6831

Tuesdays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Ministry: Aug. 31, Sept. 7, 14
Old Testament: Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
New Testament: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec. 7, 14
Day of Reflection - Many Members: Sat., Nov. 6 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 24

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

1323 16th St., Huntsville, TX 77340
936-295-8159

Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Ministry: Sept. 25
Old Testament: Oct. 9 & 23
New Testament: Nov. 6 & 13
Day of Reflection - Many Members: Sat., Dec. 4 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Sept. 18

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SEMESTER II CENTERS

St. Charles Borromeo Church
501 Tidwell Road, Houston TX 77022
713-692-6303

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Christology: Aug. 16, 23, 30
Prayer & Spirituality: Sept. 13, 20, 27
Church History: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1
Church Doctrine: Nov. 8, 15, 29, Dec. 6

Day of Reflection - Lord's Prayer: Sat. Nov. 13 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 9

Epiphany of the Lord Church

1530 Norwalk Dr., Katy TX 77450
281-578-0707

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Christology: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 13
Prayer & Spirituality: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4
Church History: Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 8, 15
Church Doctrine: Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13

Day of Reflection - Lord's Prayer: Sat. Nov. 20 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 16



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SEMESTER III CENTERS

Shrine of the True Cross Church
300 FM 517 East, Dickinson TX 77539
281-337-4112

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sacraments & Liturgy: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 13, 20, 27
Moral Teachings: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov. 8, 15
Mission & Discipleship: Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13
Day of Reflection - Discipleship: Nov. 13 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 9

Corpus Christi Church

9900 Stella Link Dr., Houston TX 77025
713-667-0497

Tuesdays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sacraments & Liturgy: Aug. 24, 31, Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28
Moral Teachings: Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9
Mission & Discipleship: Nov. 16, 30, Dec. 7
Day of Reflection - Discipleship: Dec. 4 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 17

St. Mary Church

816 Park Drive, La Porte TX 77571
281-471-2000

Wednesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Sacraments & Liturgy: Aug. 25, Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Moral Teachings: Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10
Mission & Discipleship: Nov. 17, Dec. 1, 15
Day of Reflection - Discipleship: Dec. 11 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 18

Our Mother of Mercy Church

4000 Sumpter St., Houston TX 77020
713-672-0026

Thursdays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sacraments & Liturgy: Aug. 26, Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Moral Teachings: Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 11
Mission & Discipleship: Nov. 18, Dec. 2, 9
Day of Reflection - Discipleship: Nov. 6 (9 to 3)

Registration/Payment Deadline: Aug. 19

FORMATION
TOWARD
CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY



Continuing Christian Education
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

2403 Holcombe Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77021
713-741-8730

FORMATION TOWARD CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Cell) _____ Accept Text Messages YES NO
 REASON FOR TAKING FTCM: _____ PARISH: _____
 CENTER YOU WILL BE ATTENDING _____

Pastor/Faith Community Leader's Signature required for parish sponsorship

Option 1: Pay for individual courses

Fee for each course is listed next to the course.

Names of course(s) _____

Total enclosed: _____

Option 2: Register for an entire semester

Cost: \$50—Registration after deadline subject to additional \$10 fee

Choose **one** of the following

- Participant pays entire fee (no parish sponsorship)
- Parish pays \$25, participant pays rest (typical sponsorship)
- Parish pays entire fee (full parish sponsorship)

Please make check payable to C.C.E. Please mail to: Office of Continuing Christian Education, 2403 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77021-2023.



“As sharers in the role of Christ the Priest, the Prophet, and the King, the laity have an active part to play in the life and activity of the Church.”
 (Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity #10)

The Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM) program offers basic theology and spiritual development to Catholic adults who want to deepen their commitment to Jesus and more fully answer their baptismal call to service as a mature disciple.

As a core program offered by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, FTCM provides authentic Catholic teachings taught by approved instructors with Masters or Doctoral degrees in theological disciplines.

FTCM offers the theological content courses needed for Archdiocesan certification as a catechist. FTCM is also a pre-requisite for catechetical leadership formation, youth ministry leadership formation, and diaconate formation.

WHO should take FTCM?

All Catholic Adults who

- Seek greater understanding of the Church's authentic teachings
- and —
- Are already engaged in ministry or discerning their call to ministry

WHERE is FTCM Offered?

FTCM is offered at a variety of locations throughout the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Current semester offerings are listed in this flyer. Each center is scheduled to offer the entire 3-semester program, provided there is adequate enrollment.

The FTCM Program

FTCM is a 108-clock hour process offered over three 15-week semesters. Each session includes prayer and theological content designed for adults. In addition to classes, each semester will involve participation in a Day of Reflection designed to help integrate content into daily living.

Semester I

- Ministry** (\$15) **6 hours**
What is ministry? Who is the minister?
- Old Testament** (\$30) **12 hours**
Overview of the Scriptures
- New Testament** (\$30) **12 hours**
Overview of the Scriptures
- Day of Reflection:**
Many Members, One Body **6 hours**

Semester II

- Christology** (\$15) **6 hours**
Jesus of history/Christ of faith
- Prayer and Spirituality** (\$15) **6 hours**
Prayer and spirituality in ministry
- Church History** (\$25) **10 hours**
From the Acts of the Apostles to now
- Church Doctrine** (\$20) **8 hours**
Creed, Mary, Saints, Councils
- Day of Reflection:**
The Lord's Prayer **6 hours**

Semester III

- Sacraments and Liturgy** (\$30) **12 hours**
Celebration and meaning
- Moral Teachings of the Church** (\$30) **12 hours**
Conscience formation. Magisterium
- Mission and Discipleship** (\$15) **6 hours**
Living the Gospel message
- Day of Reflection:**
Discipleship **6 hours**

Participants may enter the program at any time, although it is preferable to start at the beginning of Semester I.

A completion ceremony, at which the Bishop presides, concludes the three-semester course of study.

How much does FTCM cost?

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- **Participant (with parish sponsorship)**
\$25.00 per semester*
- Parish/Faith Community
\$25.00 per semester
- Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
\$25.00 per semester

*an additional \$10.00 fee is required for late registration

A limited number of scholarships for need are available.

BOOKS

A Catholic Bible and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* are required for all courses. In addition, we recommend supplemental books for some of the courses. Books may be purchased on site on the day they are needed.

<i>The Catholic Bible Personal Study Edition</i>	\$26.00
<i>Catechism of the Catholic Church</i>	\$16.00
<i>The New Jerome Bible Handbook (OT & NT)</i>	\$ 9.00
<i>Introduction to the Bible (OT & NT)</i>	\$ 6.00
<i>Prayer (Prayer & Spirituality)</i>	\$ 6.00
<i>People of God (Church History)</i>	\$13.00
<i>Conscience in Conflict (Moral Teachings)</i>	\$14.00

How do I register for FTCM?

To register for FTCM, choose a Center location and complete the attached registration form. Ask your pastor or faith community leader to sign the approval and then mail the form **with your portion of the payment** to:

Office of Continuing Christian Education
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
2403 Holcombe Blvd.
Houston, TX 77021

For more information please call 713 741 8730

Remember: To avoid the late fee, mail your form and payment to arrive before the Center's deadline!

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@sbcglobal.net.

Almahaba Advertisements

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

Parish E-mail List

To receive time-sensitive and important announcements, send an email request to frmilad@sbcglobal.net.

Collections / Donations

<i>Last Sunday</i>	<i>\$5,545</i>
<i>Parish Picnic</i>	<i>\$1,594</i>
<i>Pledges</i>	<i>\$120</i>

Ladies Fundraiser *TODAY*

The Daughters of Mary are serving lunch after the 11 o'clock Mass.

Bible Study

Tuesday Bible Study has now been discontinued and will resume next fall.

First Communion Meeting *TODAY*

Parents of all First Holy Communion candidates need to attend a **MANDATORY** meeting at 2:15 PM.

Daughters of Mary *April 21*

Meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 PM. All Parish ladies are encouraged to attend.

Prayer Group *April 22*

The Prayer Group continues to meet as usual on Thursdays at 7 PM.

CCE *April 24*

CCE classes will meet on Saturday from Noon until 2 PM.

Medical Conference *April 25*

As part of the Medical Lecture Series, Dr. George Nassar will make a presentation on *Hypertension (High Blood Pressure)* next Sunday, April 25, immediately following the 11 o'clock Mass. Please plan to attend.

Formation Toward Christian Ministry

Our Church will host this great program of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston with a minimum of 50 participants from the parish. Please sign up as soon as possible. Registration deadline is Aug 16th. See inside Bulletin for more information.

Village Night

May 1

This year's Village Night will be on Saturday May 1. A raffle for a Laptop, iPad and 20" Bike will take place during the event. Tickets are on sale now until May 1.

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