

**Our Lady of the
Cedars Maronite
Church**

Weekly Bulletin

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**The
Circumcision
Of Jesus**



**النشرة الأسبوعية
لرعية سيدة الأرز**

الأول من كانون الثاني ٢٠١٠
السنة الثانية عشرة - العدد ٥٧٤

**عيد
الختان**

Divine Liturgy

Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tue - Sat: 6:30 PM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession)**

30 min. before Mass by request

**Sacrament of Crowning
(Marriage)**

Notify the Pastor
four months in advance

**Sacrament of Baptism
(and Confirmation)**

Notify the Pastor
one month in advance

**Sacrament of Anointing
of the Sick**

Contact the Pastor

Parish Organizations

Daughters of Mary
Knights of the Cedars
Maronite Youth (MYO)

January 1 - 10, 2010

Friday: Heb 7:1- 10 Lk 2:21- 24
Sat.: Eph 2:11- 22 Jn 14:27- 31
Sunday: Heb 7:11- 19 Lk 2:41- 52

Monday

Heb 6:9- 12
Lk 2:36- 40

Tuesday - Mass @ 7:30 PM

Rom 5:1- 11
Lk 3:1- 6

Wednesday - Epiphany

Tit 2:11- 3:7
Lk 3:15- 22

Thursday

Col 1:24- 29
Lk 7:18- 30

Friday

Col 2:1- 7
Mt 3:13- 17

Saturday

Gal 5:2- 15
Jn 5:31- 38

Sunday

2Cor 10:1- 11
Jn 1:29- 34

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**ADULT CATECHISM SYLLABUS
SPRING 2010**

PART III: Christian Morality: The Faith Lived

| Session | Topic | Chapter | Date | Lecturer |
|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Life in Christ Parts I & II | 23 - 24 | January 9 | Fr. James Anderson |
| 2 | 1st: Believe in the True God 2nd: Reverence God's Name | 25 26 | January 16 | Fr. Jeffrey Steenson |
| 3 | 3rd: Love the Lord's Day 4th: Strengthen Your Family | 27 28 | February 6 | Charles Johnson |
| 4 | 5th: Promote the Culture of Life 6th: Marital Fidelity | 29 30 | February 20 | George Henderson |
| 5 | 7th: Do Not Steal - Act Justly 8th: Tell the Truth | 31 32 | March 6 | Linda Cussen |
| 6 | 9th: Practice Purity of Heart 10th: Embrace Poverty of Spirit | 33 34 | March 20 | Charles Johnson |

PART IV: Prayer: The Faith Prayed

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|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|
| 7 | God Calls Us to Pray | 35 | April 10 | Linda Cussen |
| 8 | Jesus Taught Us to Pray | 36 | April 17 | Fr. Donald Nesti |

Happy New Year 2010

“Let Them PLAY”

The contract for the playground has been signed, and delivery of the structure is expected next month (January 2010). The playground will be community constructed so those who are interested in participating in the assembly should submit their names for consideration; 20 volunteers will be needed for a full day (10 hours) of sweat and joyful labor.

Financial participation is also encouraged; our goal is to reach 100% participation from all families with children under 13 years of age. Pledges to contribute are needed as soon as possible.



The complete project will include:

1. A playground system accommodating 75 children
2. An additional swing set
3. Ground cover and borders
4. Benches for parents to sit and watch the children comfortably
5. Shades for the benches
6. Water fountains

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

Please add your email to the Church distribution list by emailing frmilad@sbcglobal.net. This is used for time-sensitive and important announcements only.

Collections / Donations

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Last Sunday | \$4,090 |
| Christmas | \$25,540 |
| New Playground | \$2,800 |
| Helping Hands | \$0.00 |
| Pledges | \$0.00 |

Catholic Education Jan. 9

CCE classes resume from Noon to 2 PM.
Adult Catholic Education lectures will also resume from 12:15 to 1:45 PM. See additional information inside this bulletin.

New Parish Programs

Everyone is encouraged to take part in all of our Parish activities and be part of our Parish organizations, especially the following programs that are new to our Parish:

"Family Altar Offering" and "Helping Hands"

Interested families can call the Church office during the week to sign-up. The Church secretary, Mrs. Michelle Fuentes, who maintains the calendar, will schedule families based on available Sundays, and then remind each family the week before.

Establishing ways and programs that extend a helping hand to those who are in need and are trying to achieve self-sufficiency.

For assistance contact: Fr. Milad, Fr. Pierre, Nebal Nemry, Pierre Bechelani, or Carole Zehri.

2010 Calendars

The 2010 Maronite Calendars are available in the lobby after Mass. Please take one home. \$10 donations are encouraged.

Donation Envelopes

The 2010 Donation Envelopes may be picked up from the lobby after Mass. Please use them for your weekly donation.

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