

**Our Lady of the
Cedars Maronite
Church**

Weekly Bulletin

January 10, 2010
Year XII - Issue 575

**First Sunday
After
Epiphany**



النشرة الأسبوعية
لرعية سيدة الأرز

١٠ كانون الثاني ٢٠١٠
السنة الثانية عشرة - العدد ٥٧٥

**الأحد الأول
بعد الدنح**

Divine Liturgy Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 AM Tue - Sat: 6:30 PM	January 10 - 17, 2010 Sunday 2Cor 10:1- 11 Jn 1:29- 34 Monday 2Cor 10:12- 18 Mk 1:1- 8 Tuesday 2Cor 11:1- 6 Jn 1:19- 28 Wednesday 2Cor 11:7- 15 Jn 3:22- 30 Thursday 2Cor 11:18, 22- 30 Jn 3:31- 36 Friday 2Cor 12:1- 10 Mt 14:1- 12 Saturday 2Cor 12:11- 16 Jn 10:40-42 Sunday 2Cor 4:5- 15 Jn 1:35- 42	Pastor Fr. Milad Yaghi, M.L.M. frmilad@usa.com Associate Pastor Fr. Pierre El- Khoury, M.L.M. frpierre@gmail.com Associate Pastor Fr. Andre Estephan, M.L.M. fr_andremlm@yahoo.com Subdeacon Jim Pinero jimp1940@aol.com Choir Director Joseph Rouhana Logopg1@aol.com Youth Coordinator Stephanie Rocha Parish Secretary Michelle Fuentes sydneyaus@live.com Parish Council President Nicolas Nammour, MD
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)		

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

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

Last Sunday	\$5,232
--------------------	----------------

New Year's Day	\$1,055
-----------------------	----------------

New Playground	\$1,000
-----------------------	----------------

Helping Hands	\$0.00
----------------------	---------------

Pledges	\$100.00
----------------	-----------------

Catholic Education Jan. 16

CCE classes meet from Noon to 2 PM.

Adult Catholic Education lecture will be held from 12:15 to 1:45 PM. Next weekend's speaker is Fr. Jeffrey Steenson. He will discuss Chapters 25 & 26, "Believe in the True God" & "Reverence God's Name."

Helping Hands

To help those who are in need and aiming at self-sufficiency. For assistance contact: Fr. Milad, Fr. Pierre, Nebal Nemry, Pierre Bechelani, or Carole Zehri.

Bible Study Jan. 12

The Bible Study Group will resume its meetings every Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

Parish Council Jan. 12

Meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

Knights of the Cedars Jan. 13

Meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 PM.

Prayer Group Jan. 14

The prayer group will resume its meetings every Thursday at 7:00 PM. This week the prayer will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Family Retreat Feb. 26-28

Join us at the Circle Lake Retreat Center for a weekend of family bonding, fun and spirituality. Registration starts today. Register early because spaces are limited. Contact Alberto Tohme at tohmeag@aol.com for more information.

2010 Calendars

The 2010 Maronite Calendars are available in the lobby for a \$10 donation.

Donation Envelopes

The 2010 Donation Envelopes are available for pickup in the lobby.

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

Family Altar Offering

This new program of presenting the offerings during the 11 o'clock Mass, is a blessing to participating families. Two members of a family will carry the offerings in a procession with the Altar servers. Other family members may join the procession if desired. Interested families should sign up in the lobby after Mass or you can call the Church office during the week.

ADULT CATECHISM SYLLABUS SPRING 2010

PART III: Christian Morality: The Faith Lived

Session	Topic	Chapter	Date	Lecturer
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

Session	Topic	Chapter	Date	Lecturer
7	God Calls Us to Pray	35	April 10	Linda Cussen
8	Jesus Taught Us to Pray	36	April 17	Fr. Donald Nesti

“Let Them PLAY”

The playground structure has been delivered. Since the playground will be community constructed, 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 includes:

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