

**Our Lady of the
Cedars Maronite
Church**

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**St. Anthony
of Padova**

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Divine Liturgy Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 AM Tue - Sat: 6:30 PM	Fourth Week of Pentecost June 13 - 20	Pastor Fr. Milad Yaghi, M.L.M. frmilad@usa.com
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 30 min. before Mass by request	Sunday 1Cor 2:11- 16 Lk 10:21- 24	Associate Pastor Fr. Pierre El- Khoury, M.L.M. frpierre@gmail.com
Sacrament of Crowning (Marriage) Notify the Pastor four months in advance	Monday Acts 7:44- 50 Mt 18:1- 5	Associate Pastor Fr. Andre Estephan, M.L.M. fr_andremlm@yahoo.com
Sacrament of Baptism (and Confirmation) Notify the Pastor one month in advance	Tuesday Acts 7:51- 8:1a Mt 18:6- 10	Subdeacon Jim Pinero jimp1940@aol.com
Anointing of the Sick Contact the Pastor	Wednesday Acts 8:1b- 8 Mt 18:11- 14	Parish Council President Nicolas Nammour, MD nic_nammour@hotmail.com
Daughters of Mary Wafaa Al-Nemri	Thursday Acts 8:9- 25 Mt 18:15- 20	Religious Education Director Tommy Cordova tommycordova@gmail.com
Knights of the Cedars Fadi Droubi droubif@aol.com	Friday Acts 8:26- 40 Mt 18:21- 35	Assistant CCE Director Rebecca Carrum gcarrum@sbcglobal.net
Maronite Youth Organization Stephanie Rocha stephanie.rocha@hok.com	Saturday Acts 9:1- 6, 10- 11, 15- 19 Mt 11:25- 30	Choir Director Joseph Rouhana Logopg1@aol.com
	Sunday Phil 3:7- 14 Mt 10:1- 7 Father's Day	Parish Secretary Michelle Fuentes sydneaus@live.com

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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

Last Sunday	\$5,005
Pledges	\$270
Pastoral Center	\$2,500
Knights Lunch	\$340
Playground	\$100

First Communion Photos

The photos are available for pickup from the Church office.

Daughters of Mary June 16

The Daughters of Mary will meet at 7:30 on Wednesday evening.

Prayer Group June 17

The Prayer Group continues to meet every Thursday at 7 PM.

Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM)

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. 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.

Who Should take FTCM?

All Catholic adults who seek greater understanding of the Church's authentic teachings or those already engaged in ministry or discerning their call to ministry.



Saint Rafqa

Feast Day (Canonization) on June 10

On the feast of the Holy Rosary in 1885, Rafqa prayed that she might share Christ's sufferings. Her health began to deteriorate, and she was soon blind and crippled. She spent as much of her remaining 30 years in prayer as she could, but always insisted on working in the convent as well as she could with her disabilities, usually spinning wool and knitting. By 1907 she was completely blind and paralyzed. In a 1981 medical report based upon the evidence presented in the Canonical Process, specialists in ophthalmology, neurology and orthopedics diagnosed the most likely cause as tuberculosis with ocular localization and multiple bony excrescences. This causes unbearable pain, but Rafqa was thankful for her special form of communion.

Late in life her close friend and supporter, Mother Superior Ursula Doumit, ordered her to dictate her autobiography, and Rafqa complied. Near the time of her death, Rafqa asked that her sight be restored for a single hour so she could again see the face of Mother Ursula; the hour of sight was granted.

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