

Our Lady of the Cedars
Maronite Church
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السنة الثانية عشرة - العدد ٥٨٦

Hosanna Sunday

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الشعائين

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

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Pastor

Parish Organizations

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

Hosanna (Palm) Sunday

Phil 1:1-13 Jn 12:12-22

Monday

Heb 6:1-9 Mt 21:17-27

Tuesday

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Wednesday

Heb 2:5-12 Jn 11:47-54

Thursday of the Mysteries

1Cor 11:23-32 Lk 22:1-23

The Crucifixion

Good Friday

Signing of the Chalice
Heb 12:12-21 Jn 19:31-37

Adoration of the Holy Cross
Is 53:7-12/Heb 4:14-16 John 19:1-30

Saturday of the Light

Rom 5:1-11 Mt 27:62-66

The Resurrection Easter Sunday

Midnight

Phil 2:1-11 Mt 28:1-10

Morning

1Cor 15:12-26 Mk 16:1-8

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The Office of Continuing Christian Education is guided by the Mission Statement of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and the Catechetical documents of the Church.

We assist catechetical leaders in parishes and schools in furthering the evangelizing catechetical mission of a family-oriented, multi-cultural church of adults, adolescents and children.

We provide services to promote lifelong formation so that everyone's faith becomes living, conscious and active.

Dates, times, and locations change every spring and every fall.

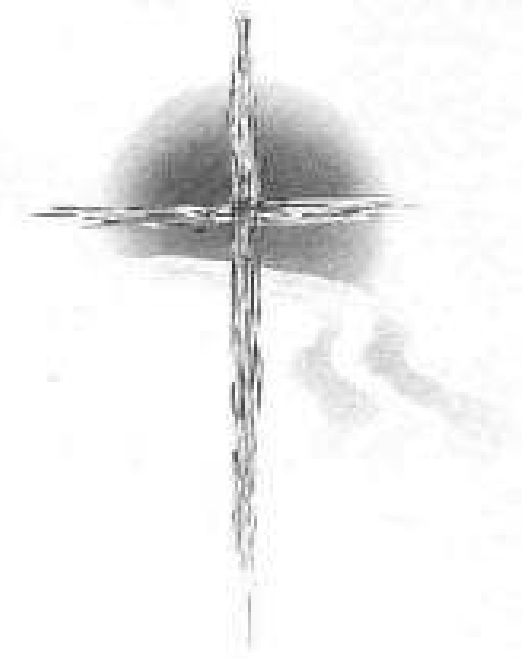
For the current list of locations and to get a registration form visit the Archdiocesan Website at:

<http://www.archgh.org/cce-new/programs-ftcm-english.htm>

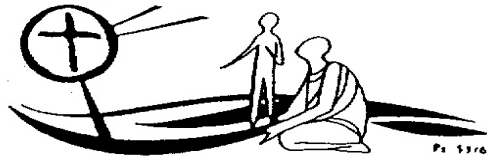
This program is also offered in Spanish. Para mayor información sobre Formación Para Ministerio Cristiano:

<http://www.archgh.org/cce-new/programas-fpmc-spanish.htm>

FORMATION TOWARD CHRISTIAN MINISTRY



2403 Holcombe Blvd.
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“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	6 hours
<i>What is ministry? Who is the minister?</i>	
Old Testament	12 hours
<i>Overview of the Scriptures</i>	
New Testament	12 hours
<i>Overview of the Scriptures</i>	
Day of Reflection:	
Many Members, One Body	6 hours

Semester II

Christology	6 hours
<i>Jesus of history/Christ of faith</i>	
Prayer and Spirituality	6 hours
<i>Prayer and spirituality in ministry</i>	
Church History	10 hours
<i>From the Acts of the Apostles to now</i>	
Church Doctrine	8 hours
<i>Creed, Mary, Saints, Councils</i>	
Day of Reflection:	
The Lord's Prayer	6 hours

Semester III

Sacraments and Liturgy	12 hours
<i>Celebration and meaning</i>	
Moral Teachings of the Church	12 hours
<i>Conscience formation. Magisterium</i>	
Mission and Discipleship	6 hours
<i>Living the Gospel message</i>	
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, consult with the listing of current FTCM locations, choose a Center location, and complete the registration form attached to the current calendar. 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 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 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>\$4,268</i>
<i>Pledges</i>	<i>\$350</i>

Good Friday & Easter Sunday Parking will be organized by police officers. Please follow their instructions.

We have secured permission to park in some of our neighboring Church and business parking lots. Please be courteous to our neighbors so they continue to allow us use of their facilities when needed.

Holy Week Services (Monday through Friday) will take place at 7:00 PM

Wednesday's Mass will include the Rite of the Blessing with Oil

Thursday's Mass will include the Rite of Washing of the Feet. An hour of Eucharistic Adoration will take place between 10:00 PM. and 11:00 PM.

Please remember to bring flowers to the Good Friday Service. The Daughters of Mary will serve a Lenten dinner after the service.

Easter Services are at Midnight (Saturday night), and at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM on Sunday morning. An Easter Egg Hunt will follow the 11 o'clock Mass.

Couples Encounter

April 9

A "Couple's Encounter" is planned for the evening of Friday, April 9. There will be a short presentation of significance to married couples, with a social get-together to follow. Please sign up in the hall after Mass.

The CCE Spring Schedule Final Edition has been posted on the church website. Please visit www.ourladyofthecedars.net then click on ORGANIZATIONS and then on CCE.

Volunteers Needed

Village Night

May 1

Those who wish to help in the organization and the preparation of the Village Night can contact Lina Aboshear (832.878.9338), Suzanne Dib (713.398.0595 or zanasdi@sbcglobal.net), Mirna Georges (713.444.3535), Fadi Droubi (713.298.6655 or droubif@aol.com), Nadra Maakaroun (832.875.3832 or nmaakaroun@macsteelusa.com), Said Tannous (713.962.4662 or sales@byblosuniform.com).

There is a need for volunteers in every area (Food Serving, Food Preparation, Games, Arguileh, Drinks, etc...).

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