

## **Requirements for receiving 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Cedars Maronite Catholic Church**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion is received in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade if:**
  - Student has completed 2 years of CCE preparation (attended 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes) at OLC
  - Student attends CCE at OLC on a regular basis (attendance is checked)
  - Student's family is registered and active at OLC
  - Student attends all extended 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion preparation classes & practices
  - When the registration for the ceremony is sent out, Parent/Guardian signs student up for, and pays the fees associated with, the 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Ceremony
- If you are new to the Parish and your child is in **4<sup>th</sup> grade or above**, when registering your child for CCE Classes, please let the Director of Religious Education, or Father, know that your child will need to receive the sacrament.
- **If your child attends a catholic school** and is participating in 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion preparation with his/her class **and will be receiving their 1<sup>st</sup> communion in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade**, they may get permission to participate in the sacrament at OLC with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade communicants if:
  - You provide the office with proof of enrolment in a catholic school
  - The child attends CCE class at OLC on a regular basis
  - The family is registered and active at OLC
  - The child *attends all* extended 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion *preparation classes and practices*
  - When the registration for the ceremony is sent out, Parent/Guardian signs student up for, and pays the fees associated with, the 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Ceremony