



Our Lady of the Cedars Maronite Church
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السنة الحادية عشرة - العدد ٥٥٠ - ١٩ تموز ٢٠٠٩

Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

الأحد الثامن للعنصرة

Divine Liturgy

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

30 minutes before Mass upon request

Sacrament of Crowning – Marriage

Notify the Pastor four months in
advance for arrangements

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should meet with the Pastor one
month ahead to make arrangements

Sick and Hospitalized

Contact the Pastor for visitation

Church Office

Monday–Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Daily Readings

Sunday July 19: Rom 8:28-39 Mt 13:36-43

**Eighth Sunday of Pentecost – الأحد الثامن للعنصرة –
الإحتفال بعيد مار الياس - Saint Elias Feast (Observed)**

Monday July 20: Acts 15:36-16:1-3, 6-10 Lk 11:1-4
Saint Elias - مار الياس

Tuesday July 21: Acts 16:11-23a Lk 11:5-8

Wednesday July 22: Acts 16:25-34 Lk 11:9-13
Saint Nouhra - مارنوهر

Thursday July 23: Acts 17:1-12 Lk 11:14-23

Friday July 24: Acts 17:16-20, 22-24, 30-34 Lk 11:24-26

Saturday July 25: Acts 18:1-11 Lk 11:27-32
Saints Joachim and Ann - القديسان يواكيم وحنة

Sunday July 26: 2Cor 5:20-6:10 Lk 4:14-21
**Ninth Sunday of Pentecost – الأحد التاسع للعنصرة –
الإحتفال بعيد مار شربل - Feast of Saint Charbel (Observed)**

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Community Announcements

Welcome new members and visitors

Please provide address and other contact information using the forms in the lobby. Forms may be handed to one of the Priests or ushers.

Almahaba Advertisements

Individuals and companies are encouraged to place ads in Almahaba. Please send an e-mail to almahabaolc@yahoo.com for more information.

Prayer Group

July 23

The prayer group continues its weekly meetings on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 PM.

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION \$7,180

PLEDGES \$1,100

Saint Elias

Elijah (Heb. Eliahu, "Yahveh is God"), the loftiest and most wonderful prophet of the Old Testament. The memory of Elijah has ever remained living in the minds both of Jews and Christians. According to Malachias, God preserved the prophet alive to entrust him, at the end of time, to precede immediately the Messianic Advent.

Saint Nouhra

Nouhra is particularly venerated in the churches of the East. He is believed to be the same person as the martyr called Lucien, who came from the city of Manhur in Persia. He traveled preaching the gospel and he suffered martyrdom at Batroun in Lebanon. His name means "Light" and for this reason he is the special patron of those who suffer from diseases of the eyes.

Saints Joachim & Ann

As the early Church began to reflect on the privileged role of Mary as Mother of God, it naturally began to wonder about her parents and the other members of her family. Various traditions regarding the early life of Mary were collected and published in what have become known as the Apocryphal Gospel, giving us some insight into the popular stories which circulated about Mary and her parents.

A fourth century manuscript of the Protoevangelium of James lists the names of Joachim and Ann as the parents of Mary. Joachim, according to this tradition, was a Levite from Nazareth of the lineage of David. He and his wife Ann desired children, but remained childless. Ann made a vow to the Lord that if he would grant her a child she would offer the child to the service of the Lord in the Temple. When Mary was born her mother fulfilled her vow and Mary was accordingly raised in the Temple.

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