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	<p>November 21st, 2010      <b>Announcement to the Virgin Mary</b></p>

**Abouna Dominique's Corner: Bishops Laud Us Support For Haiti**

United States bishops are praising the "remarkable generosity" of their faithful in response to the January earthquake that destroyed the capital of Haiti. And the prelates are reporting that the \$82.6 million collected in just one weekend will be used in part to guarantee "that any rebuilding should be done in a way that ensures that this terrible loss of life will never happen again."

On Monday, the first day of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops fall general assembly, prelates reported on the "One-Church" response to the January 12 quake. The special collection for Haiti was intended for emergency relief and to rebuild the Church in Haiti; in March, it was decided that 60% would go to humanitarian relief and 40% for ecclesial needs.

Among the earthquake's 300,000 victims was the archbishop of Port-au-Prince, Joseph Serge Miot, as well as almost 30 seminarians. The cathedral was one of 70 parishes that were destroyed. The three seminaries, dozens of schools and several convents were flattened.

"The devastation was massive," said Archbishop Thomas Wenski of Miami, member of the Subcommittee on the Church in Latin America and chairman of its Haiti Advisory Group.

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***DIVINE LITURGIES***

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**NO LITURGY ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20th**

**Sunday, November 21, 2010**

**Readings: Galatians 3: 15-22& Luke 1: 26-38**

**9:00 AM      40 Day Liturgy for Francis Shiner**

**Mr. & Mrs. Elizabeth Mahfouz**

**11:00 AM      40 Day Liturgy for Laure Hermes**

**The Ragy Family**

**Saturday, November 27, 2010**

**Readings: Ephesians 1:1-14 & Luke 1: 39-45**

**5:00 PM      Special Intentions**

**Sunday, November 28, 2010**

**Readings: Ephesians 1:1-14 & Luke 1: 39-45**

**9:00 AM      For the Intentions of Louise Najjar**

**Gina Thomas**

**11:00 AM      Special Intentions**

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS OFFERED BEFORE EACH LITURGY**

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“However, we heard from many of you that any rebuilding should be done in way that ensures that this terrible loss of life will never happen again.” Hence, the Haiti Advisory Group stipulated that funds would be distributed for reconstruction only after a mechanism was in place to ensure that building standards were upheld. This mechanism was developed by the Haitian Catholic Bishops Conference, other Catholic groups, and representatives from “twinning” parish programs. It includes the establishment of an architectural and engineering unit, called PROCHE (French for "close by"). PROCHE will oversee the planning and execution of Church reconstruction according to accepted standards. The United States bishops' committee will channel the bulk of collection funds through the PROCHE unit. Archbishop Wenski asked the bishops to encourage Catholic groups to use this building unit for any reconstruction that dioceses or parishes plan to support. Archbishop Timothy Dolan of New York, president of Catholic Relief Services, provided an account of the agency's achievements in Haiti thus far. He noted: Food provided to nearly 900,000 people in the early months of the response; monthly food rations distributed to more than 100,000 children in over 370 schools, orphanages and child-care centers, many of them run by Catholic parishes and congregations; emergency shelter materials distributed to over 215,000 people and more than 400 transitional shelters constructed with over 100 additional shelters built per week; 974 emergency operations and 64,000 outpatient consultations in eight hospitals; plus increased medical support, resources and training.

### **RELIGIOUS CLASSES**

**On Sunday @ 9:50 am starting August 29th, 2010.**

### **COMMUNION CALLS**

For Hospitalized, shut-in or suffering from a long illness. Call the Priest.

### **ANOINTING**

Contact the Priest for the Sacrament of the Sick.

### **BAPTISM**

Baptism & Confirmation arrangements must be made six weeks in advance.

### **CROWNING**

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Bride or groom must be a registered member of the parish. Call the Priest.

### **HOLY ORDERS**

If you would like to serve God by preaching the Word of God, by celebrating the Sacraments and by serving those in need, you may have a vocation to the priesthood. Why not speak to a priest today or contact the Vocations Office @ 404-525-2504

## Miscellaneous Events & Announcements

***NO Liturgy on Saturday, November 20th:*** Between November 16th and 22nd, Father Dominique will be out of town. He will be in Washington DC to participate in the Clergy Day organized by the Eparchy. During the weekend, he will be in Chicago attending the ordination of Msgr. Alfred Badawi to the order of Chorbishops. Father David Musso will be covering for him on Sunday, November 21st for the 9:00 and 11:00 o'clock Liturgy only.

***Pastoral Council Breakfast:*** The members of the Pastoral Council will organize a breakfast on November 21st after the 9 and 11 o'clock liturgy. Make sure to attend to experience and encourage our pastoral council member in their task in serving the Church.

***Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Toy or Gift Drive:*** We are having a parish-wide toy or gift drive for patients at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston. Toys or gifts must be **brand new** and **unwrapped**. Please no balloons, guns or items that suggest violence or fighting. Gifts must be safe, sturdy and non-toxic. The drive starts Sunday, Oct. 24th and continues through Sunday, Dec. 5th. The age range of patients at Egleston's is from infancy up to 21 years old. Please leave your gifts in the receptacle provided for this purpose in the downstairs hallway. Let us all try to make a hospitalized girl or boy happier this Christmas season. For further info, please contact Reem Ragy or Marie DiPaola.

***100th Anniversary Ad/ Commemorative book:*** On the occasion of its centennial celebration, our parish is putting together an Ad book. Families as well as businesses could acquire a form at the entrance of the Church or from the members of the Centennial Committee. For more information please see Louie Abdou contact info in the bulletin.

***Junior Choir:*** There will be a junior choir rehearsal for children between 7 - 18 every Sunday after the 11:00 o'clock liturgy. George Moussa and Cecilia Romero will be in charge of the Choir. Please encourage the children to take part in this activity.

***NAM Awareness Sunday:*** Shehade Chihane, Louis Ragy and Tracy Doueiry are the delegates for NAM (National Apostolate for Maronites) representing Saint Joseph Parish. On Sunday, December 5th, they will be giving an awareness session explaining to the community the importance of the NAM on the parish and eparchial (diocesan) level.

***Soccer Game:*** A soccer game between the men's of the golden age and the youth of our parish will be held on December 12th @ 2:00. If you are not afraid to wear shorts and chase the ball, please come and join the Golden Age group. More information to follow.

***Saint Joseph Christmas Party:*** Our Parish Christmas Party will take place on Sunday December 19th after the 11:00 o'clock liturgy. The Liturgy on that Sunday will be served by the Junior Choir. Spaghetti Lunch, Santa and other surprises will follow the liturgy.



*The Ladies Altar Society of St. Joseph's Maronite Catholic Church  
 Invites all ladies 12 years and up to attend the  
 5:00 mass and Christmas Banquet  
 To be held at  
 St. Joseph's Maronite Catholic Church  
 On Saturday, the fourth of December  
 Festive Attire*

*Per Person Fee \$25.00  
 RSVP by Sunday, November 28th*

***Christmas Menu***

*Assorted Hors d'oeuvres  
 Spring Mix Salad with Roasted Pecans  
 Rosemary Roast of Beef Tenderloin  
 Grilled Wild Alaskan Salmon  
 Roasted Potatoes  
 Gourmet Green beans  
 Roasted Asparagus  
 Dinner Rolls  
 Assorted Holiday Desserts*

***White Elephant Gift Exchange***

*If you would like to participate in a White Elephant Gift Exchange, please bring a gift (up to \$15.00 value) to share.*

*Number of Attendee(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name(s) of attendee: \_\_\_\_\_*

*\*\*\*Please submit RSVP and payment by Sunday, November 28th. RSVP and payment may be given to Mary Ann Fennell or Lisa Nassar or placed in the drop box located in the downstairs hall.*

# NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL 2011

Friday December 31, 2010 (8 PM to 3 AM)

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Adults: \$75

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