

## St. Joseph Church, Houston, TX

Meet the Antiochian Women of St. Joseph Orthodox Church in Houston, Texas. They are mothers, Godmothers, parish council members, chanters, teachers, choir members, committee members and leaders. They cook, clean, decorate, plan, fundraise, organize, advise, sing, pray and worship together. Most importantly, they are handmaidens of the Lord, loving Him and working tirelessly to serve Him and His creation.



The Antiochian Women of St. Joseph have had a busy spring. During March, women's month, they were greeters and ushers on Sunday mornings. During Great Lent, they held their annual Lenten Food Sales where Lenten meals are cooked and sold as a fundraiser during the fasting season. The women's group offers three sets of meals, one every other Sunday during Lent, for



purchase. Many in the parish take advantage of this offering, especially those with busy schedules who appreciate not having to prepare and plan at least one Lenten meal. After all, fasting does not lend itself to eating quick and convenient food! The funds raised from these meals will be used to purchase blue vestments for the altar servers.

Decorating the Lord's tomb for Great and Holy Friday is a labor of love, and several women participated in this activity. Their efforts produced a BEAUTIFUL tribute to the Lord! May the rest of the year be as fruitful as these first few months. Glory to God for all things!

