

## St. John Armenian Church – 2018 Calendar

### RELIGIOUS FEASTS, HOLIDAYS, AND CHURCH SPONSORED EVENTS

#### February

- 5 Evening Bible Study
- 8 Feast of Sts. Vartanantz
- 11 Poon Parekendan
- 12 First Day of Great Lent
- 14 Presentation of the Lord to the Temple;  
ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service
- 16-18 ACYOA Jr. Lenten Retreat – Attica, Michigan
- 18 Meet the Candidates; Men’s Society Meet and  
Greet the Candidates Breakfast
- 19 Evening Bible Study
- 21 ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service
- 24 Annual Lenten Retreat Seminar
- 25 Annual Parish Assembly  
Pre-Assembly Lunch to Benefit St. John Armenian  
Build Fuller Center for Housing
- 28 Day-by-Day Afternoon Bible Study;  
ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service

#### March

- 5 Evening Bible Study
- 7 Women’s Guild Sainly Women’s Day  
ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service
- 14 ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service
- 19 Evening Bible Study
- 21 ACYOA Fish Dinner; Lenten Vigil Service
- 25 Palm Sunday; Opening of the Altar Curtain;  
ACYOA Youth Day  
Women’s Guild Palm Sunday Bake Sale
- 26 Men’s Society Nushkhar Baking – Open to all
- 27 Holy Tuesday: Remembrance of the Wise &  
Foolish Maidens; Reception afterwards  
prepared by the Church School
- 28 Day-by-Day Afternoon Bible Study
- 29 Holy Thursday: Divine Liturgy; Feet Washing  
Service; Betrayal & Passion of our Lord
- 30 Holy Friday: Order of the Crucifixion of Christ;  
Entombment of our Lord
- 31 Holy Saturday: Reading of Scriptures,  
Divine Liturgy, Jrakalooys; Easter Eve Supper

#### April

- 1 **Easter – Feast of the Glorious Resurrection of  
our Lord Jesus Christ**  
Easter Tea prepared by the Women’s Guild
- 2 Merelotz – Remembrance of the Dead  
Evening Bible Study
- 8 Men’s Society Belgian Waffle Breakfast
- 16 Evening Bible Study
- 23 Fine Arts Exposition
- 24 Feast of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian  
Genocide; Divine Liturgy at St. John Armenian  
Church
- 25 Day-by-Day Afternoon Bible Study
- 26 Catechism

#### May

- 4-6 Annual Diocesan Assembly – White Plains, NY
- 5 Women’s Guild Mother’s Day Fundraiser Event
- 6 Men’s Society Ice-Cream Social
- 7 Evening Bible Study
- 10 Feast of the Ascension of our Lord -*Hampartsoom*
- 16 Day-by-Day Afternoon Bible Study
- 17 Catechism
- 20 Pentecost  
Church School Graduation & Tea  
Last day of Church School
- 21 Evening Bible Study
- 24-28 ACYOA National Assembly & Sports Weekend  
– New York, NY
- 28 Memorial Day; Complex Closed  
Grave Blessings at area cemeteries

#### June

- 3 Men’s Society Family Night Baseball Game
- 27 Day-by-Day Afternoon Bible Study

#### July

- 4 Independence Day – Complex Closed
- 8 **Feast of Transfiguration of our Lord – Vartavar**
- 28 Hye Camp Begins – Ingleside, Illinois

#### August

- 4 Hye Camp Return
- 12 **Feast of the Assumption of the Holy  
Mother-of-God**  
Annual Church Picnic

#### September

- 3 Labor Day; Complex Closed
- 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Holy Mother-of-God
- 9 Church School Opens  
Men’s Society Pancake Breakfast
- 16 **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
- 30 Feast of the Holy Cross of Varak

#### October

- 3 Sanctuary/Museum Tour & Lunch
- 4 Bazaar Opening Night Dinner & Fine Arts Preview
- 5-7 Annual Church Bazaar
- 6 Health Fair & Blood Drive
- 28 Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross  
Men’s Society Spaghetti/Pasta Lunch

#### November

- 11 Veterans Remembrance
- 18 Church School Thanksgiving Dinner
- 22 Thanksgiving – Complex Closed
- 24 ACYOA November Dance

#### December

- 24 Western Christmas Eve Service
- 25 Western Christmas; Complex Closed

#### January 2019

- 5 Armenian Christmas Eve Services: Vespers and  
Reading of Prophesies, Divine Liturgy, Jrakalooys
- 6 **Feast of Nativity and Theophany of Jesus Christ**