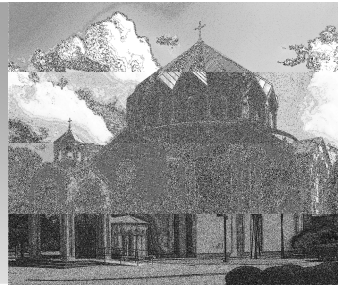


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The Reverend Father Diran Papazian – *Pastor Emeritus*
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and *Pastoral Assistant*
Ms. Margaret Lafian - *Organist*

Sunday Bulletin ~ Կիրակնօրեայ Լրագիր

**THE YEAR OF VOCATIONS
ENTER TO WORSHIP THE LORD
DEPART TO SERVE HIM**

Encourage our young men to serve the Lord as priests.

FEBRUARY 27, 2011—THE ARMENIAN YEAR 1459

MEDIAN SUNDAY—Միջին Կիրակի

CELEBRANT: REV. FR. ABRAHAM OHANESIAN

THE LORD'S DAY ~ SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - *Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն*9:00 am

Divine Liturgy - *Սուրբ Պատարագ*9:45 am

Church School—*Կիրակնօրեայ Դպրոց*10:15 am

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Isaiah 63:18-64:12, Titus 1:1-11, John 7:37-52

Lector: George Boyagian

Welcome!

We welcome you to the Divine Liturgy / *Soorp Badarak* and invite all who are Baptized and Chrismated in, or are in communion with, the Armenian Church to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are new to our parish and would like information about our many parish groups, please ask any Parish Council member on duty at the lobby desk. And make sure you sign our Guest Book before you leave so we can be in touch. Enter to worship the Lord Jesus Christ who loves you and depart with His love to serve others.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: JOHN 7:37-52

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

"When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee."

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH

On the occasion of the Feast of Vartanantz, a gift is presented in memory of deceased fellow Brother Knights of the Nareg-Shavarshan Lodge of the Knights of Vartan.

In memory of beloved son Nadeem John Belbeisi, a gift is presented by
Lucille Belbeisi and family.

PRAVERS FOR THE SICK

Harry Avagian	Dr. George Chatas	Robert Vartan Gregory
Edgar Hagopian	Evelyn Kaloustian	William Pugh
Helen Z. Sahakian	George Zallakian	

**St. Vartan Catholic Church invites the clergy and parishioners
of the four area Armenian Churches to commemorate the Feast
of Vartanantz on Thursday, March 3, 2011, 7:00 pm
Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church
29125 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia
Fellowship and Reception to follow**



CATERER WANTED

Banquet facility with liquor license and full service kitchen in Southfield, MI seeks single or multiple professional caterers to accommodate functions for events of 10 to 600 people. (Multiple banquet / meeting rooms of various sizes in our facility.) Caterer must be licensed, bonded, insured and certified in food safety and alcohol management. With your proposal, please include your experience, qualifications and references. Proposals must be received by February 27, 2011. Please submit proposals and / or any questions by email:

southfieldcatering@yahoo.com

CATERING/EVENT PLANNER/ FOOD & BEVERAGE DIRECTOR WANTED

Banquet facility with liquor license and full service kitchen in Southfield, Michigan seeks a Catering / Event Planning/Food & Beverage Director to work with a single or multiple caterers, and small custodial staff to accommodate functions for events of 10 to 600 people. (Multiple banquet / meeting rooms of various sizes in our facility.) Must have experience, in food safety, alcohol management, sales, and event planning for business and social meetings, weddings and other occasions. Must have marketing experience and be willing to secure new sales. Must have excellent skills in dealing with a variety of people and multi-tasking. With your résumé, please include your experience, qualifications, and references. Compensation is commensurate with credentials presented. You must also be bondable, have a Michigan driver's license, and undergo a reference or security check. Resumes must be received by March 6, 2011.

Please submit all information and any questions by email to:

southfieldcatering@yahoo.com

PIANO RECITAL

Featuring Pianist Natalia Kazaryan in a return performance



Thursday, March 10,
2011, 8:00 pm

St. John's Cultural Hall

Admission Free Will
Offering

Afterglow to Follow

Sponsored by the
Komitas Choir

(See flyer in lobby)

ACYOA National Great Lenten Retreat **Lent: Let the light shine out of darkness...**

March 25-27 at the Columbiere Conference Center in Clarkston

Led by V. Rev. Fr. Daniel Findikyan

Dean of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary

Cost: \$150 (includes program, meals, and accommodations)

Participants must be 18 years old to attend

To register, send an email message to ACYOA Executive Secretary Nancy Basmajian at acyoa@armeniandiocese.org. Please include your name, date of birth, parish affiliation, email address. Once she receives your message, she will send you a confirmation with more information.

ST. JOHN'S MEN'S SOCIETY

presents its first

WINE MAKING CLASS

Wine Vintner: John Lucassian

\$20.00 per person—must be 21 years of age to attend

(includes all classes, mezza on March 26, a bottle of Chardonnay and Merlot, and a \$5.00 discount on Wine Tasting admission)

RSVP: March 13, 2011 (limited to 40 participants)

Questions: Email John Lucassian: hyejohn@yahoo.com

SEE FLYERS IN LOBBY FOR REGISTRATION FORM

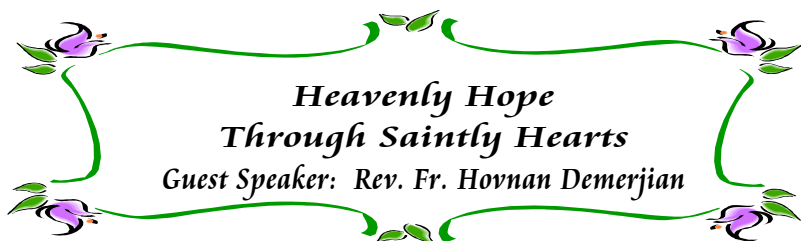
16th ANNUAL LENTEN RETREAT SEMINAR

*Sponsored in part by the
Yeretzgin Rosalie Papazian Endowment Fund*

Saturday, March 12, 2011

9:00 am—3:30 pm

St. John's Cultural Hall



Heavenly Hope Through Saintly Hearts

Guest Speaker: Rev. Fr. Hovnan Demerjian

**Father Hovnan is pastor of St. Hagop Armenian Church
in Pinellas Park, Florida**

**Donation: \$15 includes all materials, continental breakfast, and
lunch. To register, call the Church Office by March 4 at 248-
569-3405. Make checks payable to St. John Armenian Church.**

“Of Shoes and Sherds: Excavations and Archaeology in Armenia”

**Lecture by Elizabeth Fagan
Ph.D. candidate, Anthropology/Archaeology and History,
University of Chicago**

**MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011
7:30 PM, VARTAN ROOM**

This talk and visual presentation will give an overview of some of the exciting digs in Armenia, discussing the work of archaeologists in their quests for information about the past in Armenia, and Armenia's place in the past. From shoes to sherds, each excavation has unearthed dramatic details about what life was like in the South Caucasus. This lecture is co-sponsored by St. John Armenian Church and the Armenian Research Center, University of Michigan-Dearborn. Refreshments to follow.

TRACKING OUR TREASURERS—SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Plate Donations \$245.10

Candle Donations \$129.25

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

LET'S BAKE SOMETHING TOGETHER

The Women's Guild needs your help in the kitchen on Tuesday at 9:00 am to help prepare for bake sales after Church and the Palm Sunday Bake Sale. TODAY, *Cheoreg, Spinach Beoreg, Tepsee Beoreg and Cheese Beoreg* are available for purchase.

Armenian Cuisine - Preserving Our Heritage

The second printing of *Armenian Cuisine—Preserving Our Heritage* is now available at the Parish Bookstore every Sunday and at the church office during business hours. Orders may also be placed on line at:

<http://stjohnsarmenianchurch.com/publicationsandinfo/armeniancuisinecookbook.html>,

or by contacting Marianne Dardarian at 248.661.0617.

Note: Revisions to the 1st printing are available in the church office or at mhdardarian@att.net

Moms and Manooogs meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month. We welcome you to join our playgroup. Please call Kristen Gustafson for further information, 248.765.0471 or send her an email: frissy10@hotmail.com

*The Women's Guild invites you to become a member.
For more information, please call Linda Assarian,
248-332-0816*

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DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

Our next gatherings will be on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2011, 12:00 NOON

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2011

(following Holy Thursday Divine Liturgy)

A monthly Bible study group led by

Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian

Bring your Bible & your lunch; we'll provide the coffee.

JOIN US!

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EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2011 - MANOOGIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS

"TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT" AT MANOOGIAN SCHOOL

DOORS OPEN: 7:30 PM; TOURNAMENT BEGINS: 8:30 PM

(see bulletin board for details)

Kef Klub

Friday, March 18, 2011 at 6:00 pm
St. John's Recreation Center

Tavloo, cards, board games, pickle ball

Donation: \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids under 12, 2 & under free

Reservations: [248-569-3405](tel:248-569-3405) no later than March 16, 2011.

HOME BUILDING OPPORTUNITY IN ARMENIA

Anyone interested in participating in a Fuller home building project in Armenia this summer is asked to phone Jackie ElChemmas at 248.851.4018 to more

The Catering Selection Committee will meet on:

Tuesday, March 1, 7:00—9:00 pm, Nursery Room

The committee will deliberate in closed session on March 1, 2011. Parishioners are invited to attend future meetings. Please check the Sunday Bulletin and the church web site for the schedule before you plan on attending any meetings.

NEW AT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

Armenian Dictionary in Transliteration

by Thomas J. Samuelian

Western Pronunciation; English-Armenian; Armenian-English
This useful reference book includes useful phrases, conversation, numbers, days of the week, months, etc. 139 pp, SC—\$20.00

Silver Jerusalem Cross with Chain—\$20.00

***The Diocesan Department of Mission Parishes
is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to Armenia & Kharabagh
June 22—July 7, 2011***

Details posted on bulletin board

Deadline for registration: February 28, 2011

ON LEAVING THE SANCTUARY AFTER BADARAK

Q. What do I say when approaching the Holy Gospel at the end of the Divine Liturgy?

You say:
*Heeshestzeh Der zamenaym
Badarakus koh.*

Յիշեսցէ Տէր վամենայն Պատարագս քո:
May the Lord remember all your offerings.

The Priest answers:
*Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev
zamenayn khorhoortus koh ee parees
na gadarsestseh.*

**Տացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում եւ վամենայն
խորհուրդս քո ի բարիս նա կատարեսցէ:**

May the Lord grant you according to
your own heart, and fulfill all your
counsel in goodness. (Psalm 20:4)

Q. What do I say when I take Mahs?

The GIVER says:
*Mahs yev pazheen yegheetsee
kez ee Soorp Badarakes.*

**Մաս եւ բաժին եղիցի քեզ ի Սուրբ
Պատարագէս:**

May this be to you a share and
portion of the Holy Sacrifice.

The RECEIVER says
*Pahjeen eem Asdvadz
haveedyan.*

Բաժին իմ Աստուած յաւիտեան:

God is my portion forever.

THE KISS OF PEACE

The GIVER says:
Christ is revealed amongst us
*Kreesdos ee mech
mer haydnetsav*

The RECEIVER says:
Blessed is the revelation of Christ
*Orhnyal eh haydootyoonun
Kreesdosee*

THE PSALM OF DISMISSAL - PSALM 34
*Orhnetseets uzDer hamenayn zham, hamenyn zham
orhnootyoon nora ee peran eem.*

**Օրհնեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ,
օրհնութիւն նորա ի բերան իմ:**
I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall be at all times in my mouth.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

After hours in an emergency, please contact:
Pastor's Cell: 248.225.9888
Parish Council Chairman's Cell: 248.688.1214
Administrator's Cell: 248.880.8391