

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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The Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian, *Pastor*

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community:

The Reverend Father Diran Papazian

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian

The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Deacon Rubik Mailian, *Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant*

Ms. Margaret Lafian, *Organist*



Sunday Bulletin

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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. Make certain you fill out a contact card 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.

May 8, 2016

The Armenian Church Year 1464

MOTHER'S DAY

Guest Celebrant: Archbishop Avak Asadoorian

Primate of the Diocese of Iraq

Pastor: V. Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service / Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն ...9:00 am

Divine Liturgy / Ս.Պատարագ9:45 am

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Acts 23:12-35, I John 5:13-21, John 12:12-23

Lector: CHARLENE GOSHGARIAN

Our Church and Parish is a place where . . .

- ◆ All people are welcome
- ◆ Every person is a minister
- ◆ The world is our collective responsibility
- ◆ Disciple making is our goal, and
- ◆ Worship is our duty and delight

General Information

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

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Pastor's Cell: 773.457.4122

Administrator's Cell: 760.832.1142

Visits to the Hospitalized and Homebound Please phone the Church Office when you or someone you love is admitted to the hospital and would like a visit from the Pastor. If you have an upcoming surgery, please consider requesting your name be included in the "Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized." Those who are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home should phone the Church Office.

Home Blessing If you would like the Pastor to visit your home and offer a home blessing, please contact the Church Office.

Baptism Parents may prepare for the baptism of their child before he or she is born. For more information, phone the Church Secretary.

Marriage Phone the Church Secretary at least nine months in advance of your proposed wedding date. Wedding packets are available at the Church Office.

Parish Membership If you are interested in becoming a member of the St. John parish, please speak to a Parish Council member on Sunday, or phone the Church Office.

Sunday Bulletin Announcements for the Sunday Bulletin are due in the Church Office by 5:00 pm on Wednesday preceding the date of service.

Requiem Requests may be submitted to the Church Office by mail, phone, fax 248.569.0716, or email to office@sjachurch.org no later than 5:00 pm Wednesday preceding the Sunday requested. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby.

Today's Gospel

John 12:12-23

The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" and Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. The Pharisees then said to one another, "You see that you can do nothing; look, the world has gone after him."

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew went with Philip and they told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified."

Today, right before the singing of Hayr Mer (Lord's Prayer), the newly elected Parish Council members will have their installation service.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the elected executive members of the St. John Parish Council.

Jeffrey Axt - Chairman, Peter Egigian - Vice Chairman,

Michael Kazarian - Treasurer, Christopher Korkoian - Assistant Treasurer,

Marianne Dardarian - Secretary and George Boyagian - Assistant Secretary.

Advisors: Dr. Mary Alani, Paul Andonian, Gary Hachigian, John Yavruian and

Donn Vahratian. Alternates: Kazar Terterian and Marilyn Boladian.

Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Jilber Abajian
Rose Boudakian
Don McCorkle
Walter Negosian
James Zaratzian

David M. Apoian
Elina Cobb
Cheryl Giesa
Charles Sansone

Araxey Barsamian
Ruben Griffin
Aiden Armen Seferian
James Shahbazian

Women's Guild News

Attention Women's Guild Members

*You are invited to attend the Annual Membership and Awards Dinner:
Wednesday, June 1st, 2016 at 6 PM. Please contact Joyce Obenhoff at 586-754-3984
by May 25th, for reservations.*

Knitting Group: Please contact Linda Assarian at 248.332.0816 or
linda.assarian@gmail.com for more details.

The Women's Guild invites you to become a member.
For information please call Belinda Kabodian 248.767.3942

Day by Day Bible Study

Wednesday, May 25, 2016
12:00 — 2:00 pm

For more information, call Yeretzgin Roberta at 248.538.9993

DVD ON SALE NOW! A 100-Year Journey of Remembrance and Song.
On sale in the bookstore. **Price: \$10.00**

Arts of Armenia

This summer Arts of Armenia program will be from July 11 – 15, 2016
everyday from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm.

This highly acclaimed summer activity for our youth ages 8 - 13 is unique in its goals of teaching
Armenian Arts by professional educators.

Please contact Lisa Mardigian at lmardigian@sjachurch.org, for the application and information.

Today's Altar Flowers are donated to the Glory of God and in Honor of Diramayr Aurora Jebejian by Fr. Aren Jebejian.

College Scholarships for 2016

The Armenian Renaissance Association (ARA) will offer five scholarships to Michigan college students in 2016.

Send email request for an application to: scholarship.ara@gmail.com

Our Diocese will be granting scholarships to undergraduate students for the academic year 2016-2017. These scholarships are earmarked for Armenian American students attending accredited 4-year undergraduate university programs. Preference will be given to those who are active in the life of the Armenian churches of the Eastern Diocese in the ACYOA, altar servers, Sunday or Armenian school teachers, choir members, etc. The scholarship program is open to U.S. Citizens only.

The application and reference forms must be submitted electronically. You will find the form on the Diocesan website at <http://www.armenianchurch-ed.net/programming/scholarships/>

Visit the Parish Bookstore

Genocide T-Shirts with "Forget-Me-Not" emblem and map on back — \$20.00

The best selection of Armenian books and CDs plus many gift items: jewelry, Armenian crosses, key chains, cookbooks and many "Made in Armenia" products.

New: The Guest Room by Chris Bohjalian — HC \$25.00

New: The Hundred Year Walk,

An Armenian Odyssey by Dawn Anahid MacKeen — HC \$24.00

New: Bronze Armenian Cross 5"X 3 1/2"

Suitable to hang on a wall or above a doorway — \$40.00

New: "Ambassador Morgenthau's Story" by Henry Morgenthau, American Ambassador to Constantinople 1913-1916 — SC \$29.00

New: "An Inconvenient Genocide: Who Now Remembers The Armenians?" by Geoffrey Robertson — SC \$13.00

New Items From Armenia



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN
REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST



GARY CHARLES KEURAJIAN, 2nd Year, Son, Brother, Uncle, Brother-in-Law

Requested by Roxanne Keurajian
Diane Lyne Keurajian
Carol Garry & Dr. John Garry
Lauren, Jessica & John Paul Garry

ANN LAKTZIAN, 3rd Year, Sister, Aunt, Grand-Aunt, Khnamee

Requested by Peter & Mary Karibian
Edda, Karen & Linda Saroian
Marshall & Jan Karibian
Michael, Linda & Ani Karibian
Matthew, Shannon & David Karibian
William & Amanda Saroian
Michael, Sharon, Eric & Ryan Saroian
Casper Sogoian & Family
Vrejoui & Armen Darian
Vigen, Talin & Mara Darian

ARTIN ARTINIAN, 4th Year, Husband, Father, Brother, Brother-in-Law, Uncle

Requested by MaryAnn Artinian
Julie, Kara & Mike Artinian
Sylvia & Harold Bjornstad
Sooren Gozmanian
Gary Gozmanian
Sara Gozmanian
Debi & John Green
Ben Green
Marlee & Nick Bresso

KATRIN FERMANIAN, 2nd Year

VAHE FERMANIAN, 4th Year

GARABED FERMANIAN, 30th Year

HAGOP GHAZAR, 32nd Year

Requested by Yester, Madlen & Zepure Fermanian & Families



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN Cont'd.
REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST



VLADIMIR AGHABABYAN, 6th Year, Father
SUSANNA ZARGARYAN, Cousin
MARINE ANDREASYAN, 3rd Year, Friend
GOHAR AVALYAN, 4th Year, Friend
GAYANE MARKOSYAN, 4th Year, Niece

Requested by Gayane Aghababyan

AGNES SOULDOURIAN, 12th Year, Mother, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother

Requested by Lucy Ardash

Dr. John & Nyree Giragosian, Jenna, Lexa & Alec

ARMEN SEFERIAN, 15th Year, Father
ARSHALOUIS SEFERIAN, 15th Year, Mother
MINAS BOULGHORJIAN, 23rd Year, Father-in-Law
ZARUHI BOULGHORJIAN, 23rd Year, Mother-in-Law
HAGOP BOULGHORJIAN, 16th Year, Brother-in-Law
ARDEMICE SEFERIAN, 10th Year

Requested by Krikor & Osanna Seferian

KRIKOR KAYPEKIAN, 29th Year, Father
VERJINE KAYPEKIAN, 30th Year, Mother
GARABED KAYPEKIAN, 10th Year, Brother
HAIG KAYPEKIAN, 2nd Year, Brother

Requested by Jirair Kaypekian & Family

BERTHA MERTOIAN, 34th Year, Beloved Mother & Grandmother
MARY ELIZABETH TIFFANY, 12th Year, Beloved Mother & Grandmother

Requested by Linda & Mike Tiffany

Kristen & Sven Gustafson

Kevin & Jennifer Tiffany

MARY ARGNIAN, Mother
TAKOUHI KOLOIAN, Grandmother

Requested by Alice & Peter Argnian



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN Cont'd.
REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST



**NUSHAN & HAZEL HOVSEPIAN, Father, Mother, Grandfather, Grandmother,
Great-Grandfather, Great-Grandmother, Khnamee**
EMMA HOVSEPIAN, Sister, Aunt, Great-Aunt, Khnamee

Requested by Peter & Agnes Hovsepian
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepian
Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family

**FRANK LEVON & HAMASPYR BAYLERIAN, Father, Mother, Grandfather,
Grandmother, Great-Grandfather, Great-Grandmother, Khnamee**

Requested by Peter & Agnes Hovsepian
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepian
Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family

LILLIAN HOVSEPIAN, Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Khnamee

Requested by Peter & Agnes Hovsepian
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepian
Rosemary & Dyana Kezelian
Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family

**ARCHIE & HERMALENE KAHAYIAN, Father, Mother, Grandfather, Grandmother,
Khnamee**

Requested by Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepian
Peter & Agnes Hovsepian
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN Cont'd.
REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST



HARRY A. KEZELIAN SR., Father, Grandfather, Uncle, Great-Uncle, Beloved Khnamee

Requested by Rosemary & Dyana Kezelian
Dr. Harry, Patty & Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Randy, Laurie Jayne & Meredith Pepper
Anna Manoogian
Bobby & Roseann Attar
Peter & Agnes Hovsepien
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepien
Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family

LAURIE TOOMAJANIAN, Beloved Mother, Grandmother, Aunt & Great-Aunt

Requested by Randy, Laurie Jayne & Meredith Pepper
Rosemary & Dyana Kezelian
Dr. Harry, Patty & Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian

FREDA VARTOOGIAN, VARTANOUSH & ONNEG KEZELIAN, MYRENEE & OVHANESS VARTOOGIAN

Requested by Rosemary & Dyana Kezelian
Dr. Harry, Patty & Harry III, Michael, Katie & Joseph Kezelian
Randy, Laurie Jayne & Meredith Pepper

MARY DARDARIAN, Mother, Grandmother

FRANCES KORKOIAN, Mother, Grandmother

YUGHAPER DARDARIAN, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother

EUGHAPER ZOBIAN, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother

KHANEM KORKOIAN, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother

ZAROUHIE ASADOORIAN, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother

ALICE TAKESSIAN, Godmother

OVSANNA BOGOSIAN, Godmother

Requested by Edward & Yvonne Korkoian & Family

DN. HAGOP NERSOYAN, 10th Year

Requested by Fr. Aren Jebejian

A New Curriculum for St. Nersess Summer Conferences

St. Nersess Armenian Seminary is pleased to announce a new four-year curriculum for its annual Summer Conferences. The curriculum will prepare Armenian students to become leaders in the Armenian Church, including future Sunday School teachers.

Participants will study such topics as early church history, the sacraments, Armenian religious art, Armenian language, and comparative Christian traditions. At the conclusion of the four-year curriculum, students will receive a certificate of completion from St. Nersess Seminary.

Below is the schedule of this year's summer conferences. For more information, visit www.stnersess.edu.

Deacons' Training Program: June 25-July 3

Directed by Fr. Daniel Findikyan

High School Summer Conference A: July 15-24

Directed by Fr. Ghevond Ajamian

High School Summer Conference B: July 29- August 7

Directed by Fr. Shnork Souin

Post-High School Summer Conference: August 9-13

Directed by Fr. Samuel Rith-Najarian

Please see Fr. Aren, Lisa Mardigian, or front office for a conference or scholarship application. Deadline is June 1, 2016



2016 Diocesan Summer Camp Programs

Hye Camp

Camp Hickory, Ingleside, IL

Staff Training: July 27-30

Two Week Session: July 30-August 13

Week 1: July 30-August 6 | Week 2: August 6-13

Register online by visiting www.diocesansummercamps.org

**Please see Fr. Aren or Lisa Mardigian for a scholarship application.
Deadline is June 1, 2016**

St. Vartan Camp

Ararat Center, Greenville, NY

Staff Training: June 22-25

Session A: June 26-July 9 | Session B: July 10-July 23 | Session C: July 24-August 6

Campers ages 8-15

CITs ages 16 and 17; Staff and volunteers ages 18+



St. John's Women's Guild presents...

'Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon'

Honoring all Mothers

Saturday, May 21, 2016

St. John's Cultural Hall

10:00 am – Boutique Shopping

Noon – Luncheon, Fashion Show & Raffle

Donation \$55.00 under 12: \$20.00

Please send your reservation and check payable to: St. John's Women's Guild by May 11th to:
Linda Assarian, 3050 Bloomfield Crossing, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 Tel: 248-332-0816
(Please indicate those you wish to be seated with.)

Gifts to the Church

In Loving Memory of Gary Charles Keurajian on his 2nd year passing, a gift has been presented to the church by his Mother Roxanne Keurajian and sister Diane Lyne Keurajian.

In Loving Memory of Gary Charles Keurajian on his 2nd year passing, a gift has been presented to the church by his sister Carol Garry and brother in-law Dr. John Garry. Nieces Lauren, Jessica and nephew John Paul Garry.

FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Arthur Aprahamian**, who entered his eternal rest last week. His funeral took place at St. John Armenian Church on May 3, 2016.

May Christ our Lord shed His Eternal light upon his soul.



We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Barbara Norsigian**, who entered her eternal rest last week. Her funeral took place at St. John Armenian Church on May 5, 2016.

May Christ our Lord shed His Eternal light upon her soul.

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On Leaving the Sanctuary After Divine Liturgy

When approaching the Holy Gospel at the end of the Divine Liturgy you say:

Յիշեցէ Տէր զամենայն Պատարագս քո:

Heeshestzeh Der zamenaym Badarakus koh.

May the Lord remember all your sacrifices.

The Priest answers:

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

*Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev
zamenayn khorhoortus koh ee parees na
gadarestseh.*

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

When taking *Mahs* the GIVER says:

Մաս եւ բաժին եղիցի քեզ ի Սուրբ Պատարագէս:

*Mahs yev pazheen yegheetsee kez ee
Soorp Badarakes.*

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

The RECEIVER says:

Բաժին իմ Աստուած յաւիտեան:

Pahjeen eem Asdvadz haveedyan.

My portion is God forever.

The Kiss of Peace

Kreesdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

The GIVER says: Christ is revealed amongst us.

Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.

The RECEIVER says: Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ: / Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:

The Psalm of Dismissal - Psalm 34

**Օրհնեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ,
օրհնութիւն նորա ի բերան իմ:**

*Orhnetseets uzDer hamenayn zham, hamenayn zham
orhnootyoon nora ee peran eem.*

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall be at all times in my mouth.