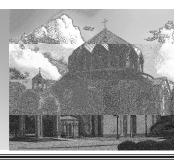
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Sunday Bulletin ~ Կիրակնօրեայ Լրագիր

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

Encourage our young men to serve the Lord as priests.

APRIL 17, 2011—THE ARMENIAN YEAR 1459 PALM SUNDAY—ԾԱՂԿԱԶԱՐԴ ACYOA YOUTH DAY—Երիտասարդաց Օր

THE LORD'S DAY ~ SCHEDULE OF EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Morning Service	9:00 am
Divine Liturgy	9:45 am

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY Zechariah 9:9-15, Philippians 4:4-7, Matthew 20:29-21:17

Lector: Anna Sarkisian

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: MATTHEW 20:29-21:17

And as they went out of Jericho, a great crowd followed him. And behold, two blind men sitting by the roadside, when they heard that Jesus was passing by, cried out, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!" The crowd rebuked them, telling them to be silent; but they cried out the more, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!" and Jesus stopped and called them, saying,

"What do you want me to do for you?" They said to him, "Lord, let our eyes be opened." And Jesus in pity touched their eyes, and immediately they received their sight and followed him.

And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee."

And Jesus entered the temple of God and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you make it a den of robbers."

And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant; and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings you have brought perfect praise'?" And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Dr. George Chatas Helen Daiyan Siranush Demirjian Robert Vartan Gregory Alexandra Hachigian Agnes Hagopian Carl Kalayjian Clara Kalayjian Alice Prudian William Pugh Helen Z. Sahakian George Zallakian

TRACKING OUR TREASURERS—SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Plate Donations \$266.00 Candle Donations \$139.00

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH FOR PALM SUNDAY

Gregory and Sandra Jamian family, Alexis, Lisa and Natalie have provided the palms in appreciation of the blessing of good health for their entire family. They present a gift to the church.

Palm crosses in varying sizes were presented to the church for the altar and for distribution to Church School students by Stephen Evarian.

ACYOA DAY TEA & FELLOWSHIP HONORING
EDWARD PAPELIAN, DETROIT ACYOA FOUNDING MEMBER,
IMMEDIATELY AFTER BADARAK
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

DISPOSE OF OLD PALMS PROPERLY...BURN OLD PALMS......BURY ASHES IN GARDEN...DO NOT DISPOSE IN HOUSEHOLD TRASH.

EASTER EVE AT ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH FOR ALL CHILDREN & FAMILIES



SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2011
EASTER EVE SUPPER WILL BE SERVED
BY THE CHURCH SCHOOL
IN THE CULTURAL HALL
CHILDREN: GRATIS

ADULTS: \$15.00

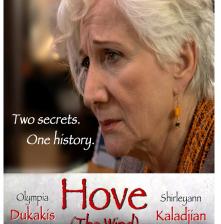
Please reserve for tables of 8-10 by phoning Alberta Godoshian (248) 476 - 4638

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS / HOLY WEEK, MARTYRS DAY

Regular hours will be maintained Monday-Thursday, April 18-21.
On Holy Friday, April 22, office will be open 8:00-11:30 am.
The office will be closed Monday, April 25 in observance of
Armenian Martyrs Day.

LOOK FOR INFORMATION ON COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO STUDENTS OF ARMENIAN HERITAGE ... IN THE CHURCH LOBBY.

MARTYRS DAY, MONDAY, APRIL 25TH



This year Easter falls on April 24th, therefore, the 96th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide and the remembrance of the Martyrs will be held on Monday, April 25th at St. John's.

Worship and Requiem in the sanctuary will begin at 7:00 pm followed by Wreath Laying at the Martyrs Monument and the traditional *Madagh* Dinner in the Cultural Hall.

After dinner, a special program will be presented which will include the screening of a 12-minute film entitled "Hove" ("The Wind") starring Academy Award-winning actress Olympia Dukakis and Shirleyann Kaladjian Webb, a native of Greater Detroit. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Alex Webb, award-winning New York stage and film director, writer and actor, who will talk about the film. This short but compelling story, not to be missed, is our own.

Requiem prayers will be offered Monday, April 25.

Written and Directed by Alex Webb

Please call the Church Office with your requests for individual names no later than Wednesday, April 20.

BARSAMIAN: 20 YEARS-SEARCHING FOR THE ANSWER
MARCH 27—JULY 10, 2011
HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CENTER
28123 ORCHARD LAKE RD, FARMINGTON HILLS
248-553-2400 www.holocaustcenter.org

THE GREAT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

TUESDAY, APRIL 19 - GREAT AND HOLY TUESDAY

Remembering the Wise and Foolish Virgins 7:30 pm Vespers—Church School students will participate in service.

FOLLOWING VESPERS, THE CHURCH SCHOOL WILL SPONSOR A TEA

THURSDAY, APRIL 21 - GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY

10:00 am Divine Liturgy commemorating the Last Supper

DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY TO FOLLOW *BADARAK*: A MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP LED BY YN. ROBERTA KOCHAKIAN BRING YOUR BIBLE & YOUR LUNCH; WE'LL PROVIDE THE COFFEE. ALL ARE WELCOME!

7:30 pm Washing of the Feet / Vodnluva Church School students and fathers to participate. 8:30 pm Betrayal and Passion of Our Lord / Khavaroom

FRIDAY, APRIL 22 - GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

11:00 am Order of the Crucifixion of Christ 7:30 pm The Entombment of Our Lord Jesus Christ

SATURDAY, APRIL 23 - GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY CELEBRANT: REV. FR. ABRAHAM OHANESIAN

DIVINE LITURGY & FAMILY SERVICE, HOLY COMMUNION & EASTER EVE SUPPER 4:00 pm Reading of Scriptures / 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm - Complimentary supper will be served to all children by the Church School. Adults - \$15.00. Please contact Alberta Godoshian 248.476.4638 for tables of 8-10.

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 – EASTER: THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST

9:00 am Morning Service / 9:45 am Divine Liturgy

The Blessing of the Four Corners of the Earth – *Antasdan* – will take place in the sanctuary immediately after the Divine Liturgy. Everyone is invited to Easter Tea prepared by the Women's Guild.

HOLY WEEK: MONDAY, 4/18 THRU FRIDAY, 4/22 NO MEETINGS SHOULD BE SCHEDULED IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH COMPLEX FOR ANY REASON DURING HOLY WEEK.

THIS IS A SPECIAL TIME FOR ARMENIAN CHRISTIANS TO FOCUS OUR ENTIRE ATTENTION ON THE PRAYER LIFE OF OUR CHURCH.

NO REQUIEMS WILL BE OFFERED ON PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER.
REQUIEMS WILL BE OFFERED ON MAY 8 AND MAY 22.

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

The Women's Guild is hosting a Palm Sunday Bake Sale today. Be sure to stop by to purchase homemade Armenian baked goods for the holiday.

Armenian Cuisine - Preserving Our Heritage

is now available at the church bookstore every Sunday or by calling the church office at 248.569.3405 during regular business hours.

Moms and *Manoogs* meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Times vary depending on the outing, but are generally 10:30 am Some recent play dates have been at Jungle Java and the Detroit Children's Museum. We are always looking for new moms and their *manoogs* to join the fun. 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

FROM GRIEF TO NEW HOPE AN 8-WEEK SEMINAR FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE GRIEVING MAY 4—JUNE 22, 2011

FOR ADULTS OF ALL FAITHS WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE TO DEATH
SPONSORED BY KIRK IN THE HILLS
(SEE BROCHURE IN LOBBY CAROUSEL)

TO ALL ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS . . .

ST. NERSESS ARMENIAN SEMINARY IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2011 SUMMER CONFERENCES. FOR SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION CHECK THE LOBBY, CALL LINDA ASSARIAN (248-332-0816), OR CHECK THE WEB SITE: www.stnersess.edu/conferences. SESSIONS FILL QUICKLY, SO APPLY SOON! AND REMEMBER THAT THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE FOR ALL ST. JOHN'S STUDENTS.

NEW TITLE AT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

A HISTORY OF THE ARMENIAN HOLY APOSTOLIC ORTHODOX CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES (1888-1944) by Rev. Fr. Oshagan Minassian An amazing and eye-opening recounting of how the Armenian Church was established and its early years in America 430 pp—HC—\$40.00

FREE DVD "A Call to Serve"

Learn how St. Nersess Seminary, with a staff of highly qualified scholars and theologians, is uniquely qualified to prepare clergymen for the challenges faced by the Armenian Church in 21st Century America. Available now in the Church Lobby. Please take one for any young man considering the priesthood as his vocation.

KEF KLUB

Friday, May 20, 2011 at 6:00 pm St. John's Recreation Center

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

Reservations: 248-569-3405 no later than May 17

AT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

NEW...Trilogy-April 24, 1915

3-volume set by Rita Soulahian Kuyumjian—HC-\$55.00 set (set includes Exile, Trauma and Death: On the road to Chankiri with Komitas Vartabed by Aram Andonian; Teotig: Biography & Monument to April 11 by Teotig; The Survivor: Biography of Aram Andonian)

A treasure chest of our forgotten past with photos, biographies and eye-witness survivor accounts. This trilogy enhances our view and understanding of the events that took place on and after April 24, 1915.

The Greedy Sparrow—HC—\$17.00

An Armenian folktale with a moral lesson retold by Lucine Kasbarian

Armenian Dictionary in Transliteration by Thomas J. Samuelian

Western Pronunciation; English-Armenian; Armenian-English Phrases, numbers, days of the week, months, etc. SC—\$20.00

Silver Jerusalem Cross with Chain—\$20.00

St. John's Parish Bookstore is the largest retailer of Armenian books, CDs and gifts in the Midwest. Stop by and browse.

The Catering Selection Committee will resume meetings in May.

If you have any questions regarding the selection committee process or what has been achieved thus far, please contact Karmen Santourian at knasantourian@comcast.net or 248-884-4549.

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 զամենայն 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 qadarsestseh.

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

The GIVER says:

Christ is revealed amongst us.

Kreesdos ee mech

mer haydnetsav.

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 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.

Օրինեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ, օրինութիւն 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