St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community: The Reverend Father Diran Papazian, *Pastor Emeritus* The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Deacon Rubik Mailian, *Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant*Ms. Margaret Lafian, *Organist*



Sunday Bulletin

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 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.

JANUARY 18, 2015 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE OCTAVE OF THEOPHANY CELEBRANT: REV. FR. GARABED KOCHAKIAN

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY ISAIAH 54:1-13, I TIMOTHY 1:1-11, JOHN 2:1-11 LECTOR: ROBERT MAGEE

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
Pastor's Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30 am—5:00 pm

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Pastor's Cell: 248-225-9888 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 mkafafian@sjachurch.org no later than 5:00 pm Wednesday preceding the Sunday requested. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby.

PARISH COUNCIL OF ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH 2014—2015

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TODAY'S GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Sunday, February 15th *The Blessing of Infants*

Honoring the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord to the Temple

Father Garabed will offer the traditional service of the Blessing of Infants following the Divine Liturgy.

This day also commences the Church's entrance into the Great Lenten season as well.

After Der Hayr blesses the children, the altar curtain will be drawn and closed for the 40 days of *Medz Bahk* / Great Lent.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

Stan Armit Cheryl Giesa Walter Negosian Mary Sarafian Pam Dayinian JoAnn Fujioka Harris Aida Petrosyan

Anita Tootikian

George Douroujalian Frank Houhanisin Richard Santourian

FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD

We offer our prayers for the servant of God

SHAKEY GODOSHIAN

who entered her eternal rest this past week. May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon her soul.

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH

In memory of Sooran Yavruian, Sona Yavruian presents a gift to the church.

TODAY MEET THE CANDIDATES AT THE MEN'S SOCIETY BREAKFAST IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

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REMINDER: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2015
ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY AND ELECTIONS



VISIT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

NEW

When I Was Baptized—Children's Board Book—\$12.00

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: 2-CD SET BY ROGER KRIKORIAN

Stop by and browse . . .

TODAY, JANUARY 18, 2015, 2:00 PM

NOR KEGHI ASSOCIATION INFORMATIONAL MEETING AT ST. SARKIS CHURCH ALL KEGHETZIS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED. PLEASE JOIN US.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, NOON-2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, NOON-2:00 PM
DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY IN THE NURSERY ROOM
BRING YOUR BIBLE AND YOUR LUNCH. ALL ARE WELCOME!

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2015

A Special Children's Divine Liturgy will begin at 10:15 am.

A shorter Badarak of 1-hour duration will be

celebrated with the full participation of Church School students.

Our children will sing the responses of the Badarak with the Komitas Choir.

Morning Service on this Sunday will begin at 9:30 am.

It's not just about Christmas or is it?
Final Session . . .

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 7:00 PM, CONFERENCE ROOM 107 A BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUTH

Conducted by St. Nersess Seminarian Harry Kezelian to explore the Holy Scriptures and how they are lived out in the Armenian Church and tradition

COME-HEAR-LEARN --- you'll love it! Materials will be provided



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN REOUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST

While we are mourning the loss our loved ones, we also rejoice as they meet the Lord behind the veil in the Heavenly Jerusalem.

ARCHBISHOP DATEV GHARIBIAN, FORMER PRIMATE OF BRAZIL

Requested by Pastor & Parish of St. John Armenian Church

ISABEL AREVIGIAN, 40th Day

Requested by Sharon & Nicholas Snyder Christen & Jordan Snyder Melissa & Eric Mattison Theresa & Eric Sadek Gregory & Nancy Arevigian Gregory Arevigian

PETER EGIGIAN, 1st Year, Beloved Father, Brother-in-law, Uncle, Friend MARY EGIGIAN, 2nd Year, Beloved Mother, Sister, Aunt, Friend

Requested by Ann Marie Egigian

Serena Egigian

Peter S. & Dianne Egigian

Alice Derderian

Edward & Phyllis Garabedian

Ralph & Francis Garabedian

Stephen & Lisa Derderian

Steve & Victoria Khtaian

Edna Avedesian

Margie Simonian

Harry & Suzie Najarian

STEPHEN & BAIZAR DERDERIAN, Beloved Parents & Grandparents HARRY DERDERIAN, Beloved Brother, Uncle MAHTERIAN & DERDERIAN FAMILIES JEROME & JEANETTE BARUZZINI, Beloved Friends

Requested by Alice Derderian Ann Marie Egigian Serena Egigian Peter S. & Dianne Egigian

PETER EGIGIAN, Brother-in-law, Uncle MARY EGIGIAN, Sister-in-law, Aunt STEVE DERDERIAN, Father-in-law, Grandfather, Great Grandfather BAIZAR DERDERIAN, Mother-in-law Grandmother, Great Grandmother HARRY DERDERIAN, Husband, Father, Grandfather

> Requested by Margaret Derderian Mike & Kathy Derderian & Family Kevin & Melina Kelchner

SHEMAVON & SERPOUHI EGIGIAN, Beloved Grandparents KERSAM & ALICE GARABEDIAN, Beloved Parents, Aunt and Uncle

Requested by Edward & Phyllis Garabedian

Ralph & Francis Garabedian

Ann Marie Egigian

Serena Egigian

Peter S. & Dianne Egigian

SERGEY MARKAROV, 2nd Year, In loving memory—always in our hearts Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Friend

Requested by Nora Markarova

Ella & Gennad Gevorkyan

Zhanna & Boris Gukasov, Sergey, Mike & Arthur

Lana & Greg Melkumyan, Gregory & Andrew

Anna & Marcus Jackson, Milana & Robbi

GEORGE ZALLAKIAN, 2nd Year, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Brother, Uncle, Khnamee

Requested by Alice Zallakian

Michael Raffi Zallakian

Robert, Anne Marie, Rosanna & David Ameriguian

Susan Ameriguian

John, Anahid, Tania & Aram Kazanjian

Sarkis & Vaughn Soultanian

David, Renee & Leslie Soultanian

JOSEPHINE ZALLAKIAN, 2nd Year, Sister, Aunt, Friend

Requested by John, Anahid, Tania & Aram Kazanjian

Alice Zallakian

Michael Raffi Zallakian

Robert, Anne Marie, Rosanna & David Ameriguian

Susan Ameriguian

MARTIN M. MANOOGIAN, 20th Year

Requested by Ann Manoogian

Roseann & Bobby Attar

Rosemary & Dyana Kezelian

Harry, Patty, Harry III, Michael & Katie Kezelian

ARZROONI HOVSEPIAN, Father

Requested by Jerier Hovsepian

NATIONAL COMMEMORATION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE CENTENNIAL

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On May 7, 8 and 9, 2015, thousands will gather in Washington, D.C. to commemorate the centennial of the Armenian Genocide. While remembering those who were lost, we will also give thanks for the creation of a new Armenia and for thriving Armenian communities around the world.

Grateful for the opportunities our ancestors found on arrival in this country, we are also deeply indebted to those institutions and individuals who helped the survivors during the Genocide. In the nation's capital this May, we will thank those who have helped to spread awareness of the Armenian Genocide, and those who work tirelessly to prevent genocide elsewhere in the world. Four major events will carry these themes forward:

THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL, MAY 7 AT 7:00 PM
THE MUSIC CENTER AT STRATHMORE, MAY 8 AT 8:00 PM
NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, MAY 9, AT 10:00 AM
THE MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOTEL, MAY 9 AT 6:00 PM
EXHIBITIONS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, MAY 7-9

TO OBTAIN THE NCAGC SPECIAL ROOM RATE OF \$159 PER NIGHT, BOOK THROUGH THIS LINK: resweb.passkey.com/go/441f5d02

Major events in the Metro Detroit area are as follows:

"ORPHANS OF THE GENOCIDE," FEBRUARY 21 AT 7:30 PM, THE MAPLE THEATRE, BLOOMFIELD HILLS

ISABEL BAYRAKDARIAN IN CONCERT, MARCH 7 AT 7:30 PM, FORD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, DEARBORN

ECUMENICAL SERVICE, APRIL 24 AT 7:00 PM, ST. MARY'S ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, LIVONIA

Events and activities hosted by the University of Michigan and other community organizations will be posted on the bulletin board as announcements are received.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

IF YOU FORGOT, IT'S NOT TOO LATE

Throughout the year the busy routines in our lives sometimes are so overwhelming we tend to forget how the Diocesan Center with its staff and leadership through her varied ministries help us here in Michigan at St. John's. Through the Diocese's programs we have and continue to receive the direct benefit for our Christian education, Church School curriculum, teacher training, choir training and support programs, numerous youth activities including summer Hye Camp, ACYOA Junior and Senior retreats and trips, summer internships at the Diocese, youth leadership training, Armenian history, language and education resources, social outreach; parish council guidance; clergy continued educational development, visiting clergy, and the availability of research resources through the Zohrab Information Center. Finally, the service and care under the leadership of our Primate is endless.

The continuance of these programs are only as successful as the support we provide from each parish with this *Annual Appeal*. However great or humble offering your donation, it will make a difference to continue the mission of our Diocesan leadership, especially in this special year during which we will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Genocide of 1915 and the canonization of the Martyrs as Saints of the Armenian Church.

Please make your gift payable to: *Diocese of the Armenian Church* (Eastern) and mail to *Diocese of the Armenian Church* (Eastern), 630 Second Avenue, New York NY 10016.

Proverbs 2:6—All wisdom comes from the Lord and so does common sense and understanding.

James 1:5—If any of you need wisdom, ask God and it shall be given to you.

Proverbs 8:12—I am wisdom and I possess knowledge and sound judgment.

WOMEN'S GUILD

<u>Winter Bake Days:</u> January 27th Khalkha. February 3rd Cheese Beoregs & Tepsee Beoregs. Everyone is welcome to join us! 9am-noon. Come and learn how to make your favorite Armenian delicacies. Please contact Dolly Matoian 248-737-9055 for more details.

Take the opportunity to make new and lasting friendships while doing service for the Lord.

The Women's Guild invites you to become a member.

For information please call Terry Palaian, 313-929-0926.

BOTTLES AND CANS NEEDED

Nicole Sarkisian, an 11th grader in St. John's Church School, will participate in a Mission Trip to Armenia this summer to work in Armenian orphanages helping with education, nutrition and clothing programs of the *Paros Foundation**. Between now and April, Nicole will be collecting pop cans and bottles to raise funds to help defray expenses for her trip. If you can, why not help her fundraising initiative by dropping off your empty cans or bottles in the container labeled "Nicole's Mission Trip" at the Museum entry from the parking lot.

*Paros Foundation works with children and people with disabilities in Armenia, providing resources in health, nutrition, education, and clothing among other humanitarian needs in orphanages and soup kitchens in Armenia. Both the President and Chairman are Detroiters by connection—Chairman Roger Strauch, son-in-law of Paul and Esther Kulhanjian, and President Peter Abajian.

ON LEAVING THE SANCTUARY AFTER BADARAK

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 gadarestseh.

Տացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում եւ զամենայն 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)

When taking *Mahs* the GIVER says:

Mahs yev pazheen yegheetseen kez ee Soorp Badarakes.

Մաս եւ բաժին եղիցին 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։

My portion is God 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 haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր լայտնեցաւ։ / Օրհնեալ է լայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի։

THE PSALM OF DISMISSAL - PSALM 34

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

Oրհնեցից 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.