

## St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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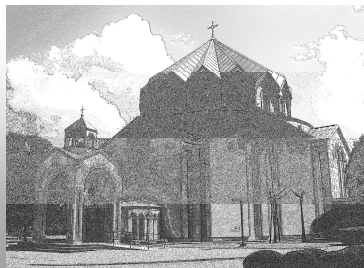
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## *Sunday Bulletin ~ Կիրակնօրեայ Լրագիր*

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

May 16, 2010 ~ The Armenian Year of 1459

**SECOND PALM SUNDAY — ԵՐԿՐՈՐԴ ԾԱՂԿԱԶԱՐԴ**

### **THE LORD'S DAY ~ SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP**

Morning Service - *Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն* .....9:00 am

Divine Liturgy - *Սուրբ Պատարագ* .....9:45 am

### **SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY**

Today – Acts 23:12-25, 1 John 5:13-21, John 12:12-23

Next Week— Acts 2:1-21, John 14:25-41

**Lector: Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian**

### *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.

**WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET . . .  
BUT WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE.**

## **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."

## **GIFTS TO THE CHURCH**

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Alberta and Masis Godoshian, Edward, Yvonne, Laura & Chris Korkoian present a gift to the church.

Aram & H. Ronnie Henesian of Cupertino, California present a gift to the church in memory of Armena Russian, 96, who passed away in Fresno, California April 10, 2010.

## **FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD**

We offer prayers for the servants of God

**ROSE MALKASIAN**

**ANNA ANOUSH KARIBIAN**

**NORMAN AKARAKCIAN**

who entered their eternal rest.

May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon their souls.

## **NEWS FROM HOLY ETCHMIADZIN**

His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, informed us of the passing unto the Lord of

**His Eminence Archbishop Dirayr Mardigian**

**Primate of Romania and Bulgaria.**

May the Lord rest his soul in the mansions of the just.

Requiem prayers will be offered next Sunday.

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Millie Jingoian	Joan Kurkian	William Pugh
Helen Z. Sahakian	Jack Serce	Ralph Snyder
Charles Stambouljian	Agnes Tokatlian	Misak Tovmassian
Gloria Vartanian	Flora Yessayan	

### **MEMORIAL DAY GRAVE BLESSINGS MONDAY, MAY 31**

**12:00 pm General Requiem at Martyrs Monument  
at Woodlawn Cemetery  
in memory of all Armenians buried at  
Woodlawn & Evergreen**

**Fr. Diran will be at Woodlawn 10:00 am—12:00 pm  
and at Evergreen 1:00—3:00 pm**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING FACILITY BOOKINGS**

Organizations wishing to utilize the facility for meetings need to get confirmation from the church office at least 2-3 days in advance. If you have trouble connecting on the phone, please leave a message in the voice mailbox or send an email to [stambo@sjachurch.org](mailto:stambo@sjachurch.org). and get electronic confirmation.

### **To all St. John's college, high school and junior high students...**

St. Nersess is accepting applications for 2010 summer conferences. Please check in the lobby for information, and call Linda Assarian (248-332-0816) for scholarship information. Sessions fill quickly, so apply soon! And remember that the scholarships are for all St. John's students.

### **GIVE TO ARMENIA'S CHILDREN...HELP ARMENIA'S FUTURE**

**St. John's Women's Guild Schoolbag Project needs your support.**

**A donation of \$20 will provide a needy Armenian student in  
Armenia with a schoolbag filled with school supplies.**

**For more information, please phone Laurie Reizian at  
(248) 348-1928**

**YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU  
AND  
YOU NEED YOUR CHURCH**

**Help your Church continue to spread the word of our Lord  
and advance the Armenian heritage as you receive His spiritual love  
and blessings within the Armenian Church.**

**Become a dues paying member of St. John Armenian Church.**

**To learn more about membership, its advantages, and our Church,  
please call any of the following parishioners.**

<b>Howard Atesian</b>	<b>(248) 642 – 7055</b>
<b>Jacqueline ElChemmas</b>	<b>(248) 851 – 4018</b>
<b>Edward Korkoian</b>	<b>(248) 398 – 9192</b>
<b>Richard Norsigian</b>	<b>(248) 661 – 2342</b>
<b>Edward Sarkisian</b>	<b>(248) 344 – 4321</b>
<b>Gary Zamanigian</b>	<b>(248) 322—9393</b>

*Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no  
means pass away. (Matthew 24:35)*

**Day by Day Afternoon Bible Study  
A monthly Bible study group led by  
Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian  
Next session: Thursday, May 20—Noon in the Nursery  
JOIN US!**

**§SCHOLAR§HIP§ AVAILABLE**

**The Armenian Renaissance Association Sophia Chapter will award five  
\$2000 education scholarships in September 2010.  
Applications are available by making requests to  
arasophia@aol.com**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 17, 2010**  
**ARAMENIAFEST**  
**ROYAL OAK FARMERS MARKET**

**GRADUATES...GRADUATES...GRADUATES!**

If you would like your son or daughter to be included in the Torchbearer section on Graduates 2010, please submit information to the church office as soon as possible, or via e-mail to: [mkafafian@sjachurch.org](mailto:mkafafian@sjachurch.org).

**A SPECIAL REQUEST FOR E-MAIL USERS**

Due to the less frequent access to news through newspapers, many of our faithful hear about deaths in our community too late to attend services. Taking note of this concern and requests by many for the Church to pass on this information, we are considering an email blast to those who wish to be informed about the times and locations of Dahn Garks and Funeral services. If you wish to be on the list, please call the office. We shall let you know as soon as this system is in place.

**The Church School Bike & Walk-a-thon will take place on  
Saturday, June 5  
(The May 8th date was cancelled due to weather.)  
See posted announcement.**

**REQUIEM PRAYERS WILL BE OFFERED ON**

**MAY 23**

**JUNE 13**

**JUNE 20**

**JOIN FAMILY AND FRIENDS AT KEF KLUB**

**FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2010, 6:00 pm**

**St. John's Recreation Center**

**Fun, Games, Crafts, Music, Dancing!**

**Dinner is \$8 for Adults, \$5 for children under 12**

**RSVP by May 17 to the Church Office 248-569-3405**

## **WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS**

**SUMMER BAKING WILL BEGIN TUESDAY, JUNE 1 at 9:00 AM ON TUESDAY, JUNE 8. WE WILL BE PREPARING KHARPERT KUFTEH. PLEASE JOIN US!**

- **Absolutely no experience needed.**
- **You do NOT have to be a Women's Guild member TO LEARN.**
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**Moms and Manoogs** are planning their first play date away from the Church nursery. **Come meet us May 18 at the Detroit Zoo! We will meet at 10:00 am, weather permitting.** New moms and manoogs are always welcome, call Kristen Gustafson, 248-765-0471, for more information. Hope to see you all there!

*We invite you to become a member of the St. John's Women's Guild. We would love to have you join us in time for our June membership dinner!  
Please call Linda Assarian at 248-332-0816.*

### **CAMP REUNION—SATURDAY MAY 22, 2010, 6:30 PM ST. JOHN'S CULTURAL HALL**

**Remember the Great Times: Clear Lake Camp, Camp Ararat & Hye Camp and renew old friendships. Receive a Free CD of Camp Photos with advanced ticket purchase.**

**Contact Isabelle Vahratian (248) 890-2185 for more information.**

**This event is open to everyone. (See posted announcements.)**

## **WANTED: USED ARMENIAN BOOKS**

The Parish Bookstore is accepting donations of gently used books on Armenian subjects in English for its Used Book Sale at the 2010 Festival. Drop books off at the Church Office during business hours or on Sundays.

## **THERE IS ALWAYS SOMETHING NEW AT YOUR PARISH BOOKSTORE**

**FROM THE PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM OF ART  
ARSHILE GORKY: A RETROSPECTIVE—HC—\$65.00**

**Various reprints of original 1918 Near East Relief posters for  
Aid to Armenia (approx. 13" x 19")—\$10.00**

**Handcarved Wood Crosses from Armenia on Rope—\$8.00**

**ARMENIAN BUSINESS DIRECTORY:** The Men's Society is in the process of preparing a Directory of Armenian Business Owners and Armenians in Business. If you would like to promote your own business or the business you are working for, please complete the form in the lobby carousel. There is no cost for any dues paying member of St. John Armenian Church. Any Armenians who are not dues paying members will be charged \$25.00 per year. If you would like to be included or have questions, please contact the following:

**Glenn Akarakcian:** [PlatinumDevelopmentCorp@comcast.net](mailto:PlatinumDevelopmentCorp@comcast.net)

**Jim Berryman:** [jberrymann@wideopenwest.com](mailto:jberrymann@wideopenwest.com)

**Craig Johnson:** [cjohns06@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cjohns06@sbcglobal.net)

**Paul Yousoufian:** [pramy1@gmail.com](mailto:pramy1@gmail.com) or 313.310.3508

### **ACYOA COMMEMORATIVE MEMORY BOOK**

Attention ACYOA Alumni! We are proud to announce that the ACYOA will publish its first ever Commemorative Memory Book just in time to celebrate its 65th anniversary. This beautiful hardcover book will be filled with your memories, pictures and stories. Please email Karen Dardarian—[karendardarian@gmail.com](mailto:karendardarian@gmail.com) for submissions and more information.

### **ARTS OF ARMENIA RETURNS TO ST. JOHN'S IN JULY**

*Summer fine arts program for aspiring artists and dancers*

*Two sessions from July 5—30, 2010*

*Sponsored by the Komitas Choir*

*Contact Nicole Matoian: [nmatoian@comcast.net](mailto:nmatoian@comcast.net) or 248-562-7553*

### **KOMITAS CHOIR PLANS OCTOBER 9 CONCERT TO BENEFIT ST. JOHN'S**

We are in need of additional voices. Interested individuals should contact Deacon Rubik at 248.569.3405 or . . . [rubik@sjachurch.org](mailto:rubik@sjachurch.org).

### **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

*Lord, with a mighty sound from above,  
The Holy Spirit came down like a bright light  
And armed the apostles with a fire that could not burn them  
As they sat in the Upper Room.*

*Fill me, too, with the light and fire of your Spirit  
So that, like the apostles, I might  
Go into the world every day with  
Courage and faith, hope and love. Amen*

**From Arakelo Aghavno, Armenian Hymn for Pentecost**

## 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.*

**Յիշեցէ՛ 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 pareas na gadarsestseh.*

**Տացէ՛ քեզ Սէր 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.  
(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 Պատարաքէս:**

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.

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

**After hours in an emergency, please contact:**

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**Parish Council Chairman's Home: 734.998.1183**

**Administrator's Cell: 248.880-8391**