

General Information

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

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Fr. Armash's email: FrArmash@sjachurch.org

Parish Administrator's Mobile: (586) 817-2974

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 to be included in the "Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized" list. 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. We encourage parents to baptize their children between 40 days and 3 months.

Marriage Please make sure to confirm your wedding date with the Pastor before booking your reception hall. Phone the Church Secretary at least nine months in advance of your proposed wedding date.

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 or email to Tamara@sjachurch.org no later than 5:00 pm Wednesday preceding the Sunday. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby. Requiem may be offered every Sunday of the year except for the five Tabernacle Feast Days.

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The Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian, *Pastor*

The Reverend Father Armash Bagdasarian, *Assistant Pastor*

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community:

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian

The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

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



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 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.

Following Primate Bishop Daniel's directive related to protecting our clergy and parishioners during the COVID-19 pandemic, no one except clergy are permitted to enter the church during services this week. We respectfully ask our parishioners to stay home and prayerfully join us via the live streaming of the services which can be seen on the St. John Armenian Church public Facebook page.

May 10, 2020

The Armenian Church Year 1469

MOTHER'S DAY

Celebrant: V. Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian

Assistant Pastor: Rev. Fr. Armash Bagdasarian

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Acts 17:1-15. 1 Jn 1:1-10. Jn 7:14-23.

Today, at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy, we will say a special prayer for Mothers.

Today's Gospel
Jn 7:14-23.

About the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and taught. The Jews marveled at it, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?" So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me; if any man's will is to do his will, he shall know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. He who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but he who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood. Did not Moses give you the law?

Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?" The people answered, "You have a demon! Who is seeking to kill you?" Jesus answered them, "I did one deed, and you all marvel at it. Moses gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man upon the sabbath. If on the sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the sabbath I made a man's whole body well?"

Congratulations

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

Michael Toomajian - Chairman, Kim Terzian Najarian - Vice Chair,
Robert Simonian - Treasurer, Patricia Fantazian - Recording Secretary,
Kazar Terterian – Assistant Treasurer, Laura Negosian Lucassian – Assistant Recording
Secretary, Correne Akarakcian – Advisor, Marilyn Boladian – Advisor,
Lisa Boyadjian - Advisor, Marilyn Dadian – Advisor, Gary Hachigian – Advisor.
Dn. George Boyagian – 1st Alternate
Anthony Carman – 2nd Alternate

Altar Flowers

The beautiful floral arrangements adorning the altar are in honor and memory of all of our mothers as we celebrate Mothers' Day this Sunday.

Welcome New Parish Secretary

As we have previously announced, our beloved parish secretary, Tamara Martirosyan, will be leaving her position at the end of May as she and her husband, Karen, prepare for the birth of their third child. Parish Council has conducted a search for her replacement and is happy to announce that parishioner Anna Tokmajyan will be the Church's new parish secretary beginning June 1st. Anna will be working in the office for a few hours each week in May as she transitions with Tamara.

Please welcome Anna to our Church staff and thank Tamara for her many years of dedicated service.

Online Bible Study - Every Monday at 7p.m.
Led by Fr. Aren and Fr. Armash

To register and receive the Zoom video link, please send an email to discoverthearmenianchurch@gmail.com (if you attended a previous Online Bible Study and already have the link or the Zoom meeting ID, there is no need to register again).

Fallen Asleep in the Lord

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Roxanne Keurajian**, who entered her eternal rest last week.
May Christ our Lord shed His Eternal light upon her soul.

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Mikael Oknayan**, who entered his eternal rest last week.
May Christ our Lord shed His Eternal light upon his soul.



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN

REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST



PETER & LILLIAN HOVSEPIAN, Beloved Father, Mother, Grandfather, Grandmother

Requested by David, Marianne, Danny, & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie, Joey, & Archie Kezelian
Rosemary Kezelian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepian

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

Requested by Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky, & Andrew Hovsepian
David, Marianne, Danny, & Karen Dardarian
Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie, Joey, & Archie Kezelian

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

Requested by Rosemary Kezelian
Dr. Harry, Patty, Harry III, Michael, Katie, Joey & Archie Kezelian
Randy, Laurie Jayne & Meredith Pepper
David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky, & Andrew Hovsepian
Bobby & Roseann Attar

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

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

FREDA VARTOOGIAN

VARTANOUSH & ONNEG KEZELIAN

MYRENEE & OVHANESS VARTOOGIAN

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

Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Emma Betrosian
Elina Cobb
John Brycz
Margaret Chubukchian
Vartkes Chubukchian
Rose Baise

Araxey Barsamian
George Douroujalian
Darlene Lane
Stepan Telebzda
John Avedisian
Dr. Badrik Joocharigian

Charles Sansone
Doris Carter
Elizabeth Shehigian
Anna-Maria Grigorian
Susie Janigian
Louise Aram Duchesneau

Seerov Jash

In this time of difficulty and uncertainty, our loving and Christian spirit is called upon to pull together to help others, primarily the elderly, the sick, single parents, recent immigrants and others in our parish and our community that needs support. Last week, staff and volunteers of our newly formed outreach program, *Seerov Jash* -- meals made with love from the St. John's kitchen -- prepared over 250 meals which were either picked up at the church or delivered to those not able to leave the home during this virus pandemic. We will continue preparing our next *Seerov Jash* meal for pickup or delivery on Tuesday, May 5th. If you would like a meal, or know someone who does, please call Lisa Mardigian at 586-808-2202 or e-mail her at sjacoutreach@gmail.com.

Church Office

In light of Michigan's Stay Home Stay Safe executive order, most of the staff in the Church Office will be working from home until May 28th. We will continue to check our emails and voice-mail messages, so please feel free to reach out to us when necessary. If it is an emergency, please contact the Pastor or Parish Administrator at the mobile phone number listed on the back page of the Sunday Bulletin.

Special Prayer Service

On Thursday, May 21st, there will be a special prayer service at 7:00pm. This service will be dedicated to all of those who have become ill or died due to COVID-19. In addition, we will also honor and pray for our frontline workers. This service will be live-streamed.



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN
REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

BERTHA MERTOIAN, 38th Year, Beloved Mother, Grandmother
MARY ELIZABETH TIFFANY, 16th Year, Beloved Mother, Grandmother
 Requested by Mike and Linda Tiffany
 Kevin and Jennifer Tiffany
 Kristen and Sven Gustafson

DIRAMAYR MARY ELIZABETH KOCHAKIAN
AGNES CARMAN HOVSEPIAN
AGHAVANI ALZARIAN
ARAXIE CARMAN
YIUGHAPER MERJANIAN
VARTER NAJARIAN
MARY KECHECHIAN
MARGARET LONG
MARGARET HACHERIAN
ROSEMARY CARMAN
RAMELA CARMAN
MARY MOORADIAN
EDNA VIAN

Requested by Yeretzgin Roberta and Father Garabed Kochakian
 Susan and Rick Vian

SHA-KAY DIRASIAN KAYPEKIAN, Wife, Mother, Daughter, Sister, Sister-in-law
 Requested by Jirair Kaypekian
 Mary Dirasian
 John and Lu Bogosian

KRIKOR KAYPEKIAN, Father, Grandfather
VERJINE KAYPEKIAN, Mother, Grandmother
GARABED KAYPEKIAN, Brother, Uncle
HAIG KAYPEKIAN, Brother, Uncle
GEORGE DOUZJIAN, Brother-in-law, Uncle
 Requested by Jirair and Ara Kaypekian



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REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

WALTER & MICHAELINE FLAGG
 Requested by Mary and Rose Robischon

SUSIE JINGOZIAN, 20th Year
MARY DEMIRJIAN, 13th Year
MILLIE JINGOZIAN, 8th Year
 Requested by Paul Jingoian
 Messner Family
 Minni Family
 Tungate Family

DR. HAGOP NERSOYAN, Godfather, Uncle, Great-Grand-Uncle
 Requested by Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
 Rev. Fr. Nersess & Diramayr Aurora Jebejian
 Steve, Rena, Mari & Garen Megrdochian

NUSHAN & HAZEL HOVSEPIAN, Beloved Grandparents, Great-Grandparents
EMMA HOVSEPIAN, Aunt, Great-Aunt
 Requested by David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
 Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie, Joey, & Archie Kezelian
 Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepien

FRANK LEVON & HAMASPYR BAYLERIAN, 40th Year, Beloved Grandparents, Great-Grandparents
 Requested by David, Marianne, Danny & Karen Dardarian
 Harry, Patricia, Harry III, Michael, Katie, Joey, & Archie Kezelian
 Richard, Arlene, Kristin, Kelly, Ricky & Andrew Hovsepien

