## St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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# Sunday Bulletin

# OUR CHURCH AND PARISH IS A PLACE WHERE . . .

All people are welcome . . . **Every member is a minister** . . . The world is our collective responsibility . . . Disciple-making is our goal . . . And worship is our duty and delight.

# OCTOBER 30, 2011—THE ARMENIAN YEAR 1460 REMEMBRANCE OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ฮาะนรนฯ บ.ฮกՎՀԱՆ กบฯธคธานั้ง Հนฮานฑธร

#### THE LORD'S DAY—SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP

Morning Service / Արաւօտեա ն Ժամերգութիւ ն	9:00 am
Divine Liturgy/ <i>Ս. Պատարագ</i>	9:45 am
Church School / Կիրակնօրեայ Վարժարան	.10:15 am

#### SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY TODAY

THIS WEEK: Isaiah 22:15-24, Ephesians 1:1-14, Luke 8:17-21 NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 24:1-12, Ephesians 5:15-33, Luke 8:49-57

**Lector: Gayle Hoplamazian** 

**NEXT SUNDAY: HOLY ARCHANGELS GABRIEL AND MICHAEL** 

#### 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.

## **TODAY'S GOSPEL: Luke 8:17-21**

"For nothing is hid that shall not be made manifest, nor anything secret that shall not be known and come to light. Take heed then how you hear; for to him who has will more be given, and from him who has not, even what he thinks that he has will be taken away." Then his mother and his brethren came to him, but they could not reach him for the crowd. And he was told, "Your mother and your brethren are standing outside, desiring to see you." But he said to them, "My mother and my brethren are those who hear the word of God and do it."

# **GIFTS TO THE CHURCH**

A gift was presented to the church by Mrs. M. H. Negohosian in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Negosian.

# **NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011**

REQUIEM PRAYERS WILL BE OFFERED FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE SERVICE OF GOD AND COUNTRY.

FOLLOWING THE REQUIEM SERVICE, A SPECIAL BLESSING WILL BE OFFERED TO THE ARMENIAN-AMERICAN VETERANS WHO SERVED BRAVELY IN FOREIGN WARS.

THE ARMENIAN AMERICAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF ST. JOHN'S AND ST. JOHN'S MEN'S SOCIETY INVITE ALL PARISHIONERS TO A PANCAKE BREAKFAST IN THE MAIN HALL.

There will be a free will donation. Proceeds will go to the Men's Society Scholarship Fund.

REQUIEMS WILL BE OFFERED NOVEMBER 6 AND 20 DECEMBER 4 AND 18

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Vahan Aglamishian Helen Daiyan Agnes Hagopian Terri Karebian Rose Boudakian Siranush Demirjian William Pugh Yetvart Bozajian George Godoshian George Zallakian

TODAY, OCTOBER 30, 2011
AFTER BADARAK
TOWN HALL MEETING
PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES

#### **NEW! THE SJAC NOMINATING COMMITTEE WEBPAGE**

On this webpage you will find information about eligibility for voting or running for office at the Annual parish Assembly, plus clear and concise descriptions of all elected positions. You can even download a Candidate Profile form to submit your information for candidacy. Just click on the link below and you can even submit your name as a candidate parish office.

# http://stjohnsarmenianchurch.com/parishcommittees/ nominatingcommittee.html

Your time and talent would be greatly appreciated. Please consider volunteering to serve and submit your name, as your Church needs you. I want to thank everyone who participates in these endeavors.

Contact David Dardarian: 2012 Nominating Committee Chairman (248) 661-0617 if you have questions or need further details.

Current PC members, MSAB members, auditors, and others are ready to share information with anyone contemplating becoming a candidate.

EASTERN STANDAR TIME BEGINS NEXT WEEK!
REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR
SATURDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 5TH

#### MESSAGE FROM OUR DIOCESAN PRIMATE

My blessings to you all.

In recent weeks, we have all been greatly disturbed by the news of the suffering endured by some of our Christian brothers and sisters around the world. Some of the most painful accounts of persecution concern the Coptic Church, in its native land of Egypt—a church closely related to our own in history and ecclesiology, as a fellow member of the Oriental Orthodox family of churches. Sadly, this is by no means the only source of Christian suffering in the world today.

Looking beyond the internal politics and external forces acting upon these situations, what we Armenians can see in such stories is a reflection of our own difficult history: not only the tribulation of the Genocide, but the more ancient accounts of our blessed martyrs, and even tragedies that our people endure to this day. Certainly, at the very center of it all, we perceive the example of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who suffered on our behalf, and who suffers alongside all his children, in their own desperate hours.

With this directive, I am asking that our parishes offer prayers for the people of our sister churches around the world—in particular our Coptic brothers and sisters—in their hour of dire need, remaining ever faithful to following the Cross of our Lord toward their salvation in heaven

Above all, we should pray to our Lord Jesus Christ for his strength, his guidance, and his peace—which our world so desperately needs today. May he always shine his holy light into our world, and may our humble prayers help to ease the suffering of our sister churches at this time.

With prayers,

Archbishop Khajag Barsamian Primate This Day of Prayer and Solidarity is an ecumenical one, reflecting the words of St. Paul the Apostle, "that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it" (1 Cor. 12:25-26).

# Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for the peace of the Church in Egypt and for our beloved brother and shepherd of the many Christians who live in the land where St. Mark set the seed of your love and now where His Holiness Pope Shenouda III of the Coptic Orthodox Church carries your light of faith, hope and love to his flock.

We ask deliverance for him and the Coptic people of Egypt who have been made captive and have endured great sufferings placed upon them by those who do not understand or know the love of God You bring to the world. Give rest to those who have fallen asleep in Christ as we pray for the souls of the martyrs who have perished. And we remember their families, and all who are still unjustly imprisoned, injured and continue to suffer.

Let us pray for peace and security in Egypt, and especially for our Coptic Orthodox brothers and sisters who still live under the yoke of Islamic oppression--even praying for their enemies who mistreat them and persecute them, as our Lord taught, that they may see the beauty of God in justice and equality.

For you are the Lord and Saviour of all, the Judge of the living and of the dead and unto you is befitting glory, dominion and honor both now and forever and ever. As Saint Paul says, Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work. [2 Thessalonians 2:15-17]

Amen.

# St. John Armenian Church Parish Christmas Card A Christmas Tradition to Support Social Concerns

Parishioners
New Year and
greetings in the
Christmas Card
doing support
Concerns Fund
the needy in our



may extend Christmas Parish and in so the Social which helps community.

Your gift is a testimony of your belief in the principles of Christian stewardship.

Please complete the form below and forward to the church office with a minimum donation of \$50.00 payable to:

St. John Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Highway Southfield MI 48075

We request your gift reach the church office no later than Sunday, December 4, 2011.

the Social Concerns Fund, and include the name(s) in the Christmas Card as printed below:	Parisr
If you would like us to confirm receipt of your gift, please inc phone number or email address below:	 clude a

# ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM 2011/2012

# **PRACTICE SCHEDULE**

# **TUESDAYS**

Junior Girls (ages 13-18) 7:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

# **WEDNESDAYS**

Junior Boys (ages 13-15)

(cannot turn 16 before March 22, 2012) 6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

Intermediate Boys (ages 16-18)

(cannot turn 19 before March 22, 2012) 8:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.

# **THURSDAYS**

Biddys (ages 5-6 only) 6:00p.m. – 6:45p.m.

Biddy C (ages 7-8 only) 6:00p.m. - 6:45p.m.

Biddy B (ages 9-10 only) 6:30p.m. - 7:30p.m.

Biddy A (ages 11-12 only) 7:30p.m. – 8:45p.m.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR THE ORTHODOX YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AT www.detroit-oyaa.org

# **SCHEDULE MAY SUBJECT TO CHANGE!**

Youth Coordinator Lisa Mardigian Imardigian@sjachurch.org

# KEF KLUB

# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011

6:00 pm @ The Rec Center
Adults-\$8.00; Kids 12 and under-\$5.00; 5 & under-FREE
Come join the fun!

RSVP by November 15 to Church Office 248.569.3405 mkafafian@sjachurch.org

# ARMENIAN MUSICAL TALENTS SHOWCASED IN DETROIT Saturday, November 12, 2011, 8:00 pm

Sergey Khachatryan, violin
Lusine Khachatryan, piano
Sponsored by Chamber Music Society of Detroit
For tickets/information: 248.855.6070

comehearcmsd.org
(SEE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BULLETIN BOARD)

THE MEN'S SOCIETY WELCOMES ALL MEN OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH TO ATTEND ITS NEXT GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011, 7:00 PM

#### AT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

Asdvadzashoonchin Mech Oor eh Kurvadz? —HC—\$30.00

This is a good book for Armenian readers!

Armenian Cross Handbag Hanger with pouch—\$10.00

Armenian Cuisine—Preserving Our Heritage—HC—\$25.00

Armenian Dictionary in Transliteration —SC—\$20.00

Who are the Armenians? (with CD)—SC-\$20.00

Much more . . . Stop by and browse.

# Strolling Tasting Party! Wine, Food & Spirits!



November 11, 2011 6-10 pm Friday, St. John Armenian Church

Hosted by St. John's Men's Society Sponsored by Vintage Village

\$35 Advance, \$40 at the door For tickets or information Peter Toukhanian 248.723.2829 Mark Mamassian 248. 568.7358 stjohnwinetasting@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE...
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011, 7:30 PM
St. John's Vartan Room
A Special Lecture Open to the Metro Detroit Public

" Armenian Genocide Recognition: A New Approach"

Guest Speaker: Sandra L. B. Livingstone, Ph.D. International Lawyer, former U.S. State Dept. Diplomat

Co-sponsored by Hagopian Family Foundation, Knights of Vartan, St. John Armenian Church, Tekeyan Cultural Association

Refreshments at 7:30 pm Lecture at 8:00 pm

RSVP to Pam Coultis at (248) 646-7847 or Hagopian@aol.com

#### WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

**Community Outreach** This month we are collecting items for the Alternative Center for Girls. Donations of unused toiletries, beauty products, back packs, school supplies, underwear, socks, scarves and gloves, wash cloths, etc. would be greatly appreciated. Items may be dropped off at the church office or given to Women's Guild members to be brought to the November 2 meeting. The November meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

**Pajama Party Blanket Project** being held on Saturday, November 12 is open to young girls ages 7 and up. Contact Lisa Johnson 248-624-8408 by November 5 for reservations.

**Moms and Manoogs** This Fall, Moms and Manoogs has a lot of great outings planned. We have flexible scheduling, so if you want to make new friends big and small within the St. John's family, then please join us. Contact Kristen Gustafson for further information, 248-765-0471 or <a href="mailto:frissy10@hotmail.com">frissy10@hotmail.com</a>.

The Women's Guild invites you to become a member. For details, call Linda Assarian, 248-332-0816.

# JOIN US FOR THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY ACYOA NOVEMBER DANCE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

For more info, email: DetroitACYOA@gmail.com

INSTALLATION SERVICE AND CELEBRATION FOR
FATHER HRACH SARGSYAN AT CLEVELAND CHURCH
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18
(WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS)

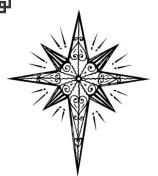
# THANKSGIVING FAMILY DINNER SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2011

PREPARED AND SERVED BY THE CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION



Adults \$10.00; Children ages 3-18 \$5.00
Reservations mandatory by November 10, 2011
Roseann Attar: vart@comcast.net
248.980.3221

DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011 12:00 –2:00 PM
IN THE NURSERY ROOM AT ST. JOHN'S Bring your lunch; we'll provide the coffee.
PLEASE JOIN US!



Star of Wonder... Advent by Gandlelight Wednesday, November 30, 2011

The Women's Guild of St. John's Armenian Church

Dessert by candlelight at 7:00 pm in the Cultural Hall An inspirational program at 8:30 pm in the Sanctuary

To become a table hostess or a guest contact Anita Boyajian from November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> at wgmail@sjachurch.org (preferably) or 248.851.4133

### 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.

Swgt 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) 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 Цստուած 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 haydnootyoonun
Kreedosee.

#### 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.

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