

A Message From Our Chairman...

Chrisdos Hareeyav ee Merelotz! We are in the season of Great Lent and fast approaching the most important season of the Christian calendar. As Holy Week is upon us, we break the fast of Medz Bak and recommit ourselves in preparation for the resurrection of Christ and the promise of life eternal. We hope that you have been diligently saving your onion skins to color your eggs in the tradition of the our people. It may seem awkward to explain to a cashier why you may have a bag of onion skins and why you thought you needed to clean out the onion counter! However, by the time you explain the reason and the tradition, you have a new friend.



Our spring calendar is filling up fast and we thank those of you that have come forward to take leadership for our many upcoming projects. Instead of thinking that now you won't have to step up, think again! We have avenues of fulfillment for every member. Don't hesitate to approach any board member with your offers to help.

If you have been attending church during Great Lent, then you know about the wonderful tutorials that we have been privileged to hear from Hayr Aren. We have learned about our faith and our customs ranging from the vesting of the Priest to the reading of the Gospel and the acts of contrition of the celebrant. It's like crash Sunday School! And, above all, do the unthinkable in church...open the book!!

We are excited about all of our upcoming events. And, many many thanks to all of the wonderful members and friends of the Guild, that have given their time and talents toward making our Palm Sunday Bake Sale as anticipated as always. And, to the many committees and outreach events that give us meaning and purpose. We have so much for which to be thankful. Most of all, we have one another!

To those of our members that have special challenges that prevent them from their regular attendance, we are with you in heart and truly miss each and every one of you.

Ohrnyal eh, Haroutiunen Chrisdosee!!

Y. Joy Callan



We are happy to hear Alice Betrosian is home from the hospital and lovingly being cared for by her sister-in-law, Emma Betrosian. We also send our prayers and good wishes to Yn. Roberta Kochakian, who is recuperating after injuring her leg in a fall.

Palm Sunday Bake Sale Schedule



Upcoming Bake Dates

*Monday, March 14 th	Beoreg	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 15 th	Sou Beoreg	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 17 th	Nazoog & Simit	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

*Evening bake hours

Women's Guild Members - The Palm Sunday Bake Sale Sunday, March 20, 2016

Don't forget - your bake good donations are needed and a guild membership obligation.



*Armenian baked goods are preferred, but all donations are welcomed.

Please label with your name, description & package individually or 6-12 items per bag as appropriate for sales (also note if nuts present).



Thank you,
Terry Palaian and Marilyn Sarkesian

Directory Changes

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Please make these changes in your directory



Saturday, March 12th	St. John Church Annual Lenten Retreat with Women's Guild support
Sunday, March 13th	Pre-Palm Sunday Bake Sale
Sunday, March 20th	Palm Sunday Bake Sale
Sunday, March 27th	Easter Tea after Badarak
Wednesday, April 6th	7:00 p.m. Guild meeting; Speaker Marianne Behler, professional photo organizer.
Saturday, May 21st	Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show

Just a friendly reminder for those who may have forgotten...

Please mail your 2016 dues of \$25.00 to:

St. John Women's Guild
 c/o Dawn Aginian
 1783 Cole Street
 Birmingham, MI 48009-7066



Make your check payable to St. John Women's Guild.

Thank you to those who have already paid.

Any questions, please contact Dawn Aginian at 248-225-7176 or daginian@yahoo.com

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