

June 2014

Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection 1910 Stanley Street - New Britain, CT, 06053 Rev. Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian, Pastor



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"Pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" Matthew 9:38

Years back a friend of mine spent an entire weekend installing a large stone steps and a walk way in his back yard. Just after he started, his young daughter asked if she could help him. After he politely refused, she then insisted on helping him and won him over. Carefully, so as not to endanger her, he let her place her small hands on the rocks as he moved them into place. This 'help' actually made the job last much longer that it should have.

He could have built the project in much less time without her, but at the end of the weekend, the family not only had new landscaping but more importantly, a child with immense pride in her strengthened relationship with her father. At the end of the weekend, though, the dad not only had new stone work in his yard to admire, but more importantly he had a daughter bursting with pride as she repeatedly said during dinner "me and daddy made the steps".

From the beginning, God has relied on people, adults and young children to advance His work. From Adam, after He enabled him to cultivate the land and watch over the animals, God left the work of the garden in his hands.

The work of a homeowner never ends. The needs of our faith have no end.

As summer approaches, and as our needs to maintain our lawns and homes continue, may we not forget the needs of our living hearts and souls and not abandon church until September. May we beam with pride and unending love for our Father just as the young girl did in moving stones; just as this parish did over 33 years ago, and may we make earnest attempts to come and spend time with Our Father.



With prayers, *Reverend Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian* Pastor



The mission of the Armenian Apostolic Church is to preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and to proclaim its message of salvation. This mission is realized through Worship, Education, Witness, Service, and common life in Christ as expressed in the distinctive faith - experience of the Armenian people. All members of the Armenian Church - both clergy and lay - are called to participate fully in this mission.



New Britain Youth Service Bureau Appointment

New Britain's Mayor, the Honorable Erin Stewart, has recently appointed our pastor, Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian to a second two-year term as a member of New Britain's nine member Youth Service Bureau.

New Britain's Youth Service Bureau, a part of the city's community Service Bureau, operates for the purpose of evaluating, planning, coordination and implementation of prevention and treatment services for "at risk" youth up to age 18, as well as for their families. The volunteer Bureau members meet monthly to discuss the needs of those our city serves and manage its budget of approximately \$300,000.

Bringing Home the 'Bread'

Thank you to our recent "mahs" makers, Lucy Simonian, Henrietta Kallajian, Ruth Swisher and Manusak Terdjanian. Mahs, is the unleavened, bless bread which we receive at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy. While it is not Holy Communion, it being blessed by the priest enables us to partake in the blessings of the Liturgy. It is customarily brought to our friends and loved ones not able to attend Liturgy and receive Holy Communion as a "portion/mahs" of the service.

The Mystery: Who will be the winner??

Winner of what, you ask? Here's the answer: TWO FANTASTIC SEATS AT FENWAY PARK, Boston, to watch the BALTIMORE OREOLS vs. BOSTON REDSOX game in September. That's right, the lucky winner will walk away with two - not one, but two tickets for prime seats located just seven rows behind the batter's circle! Raffle tickets are now on sale. Please see any Parish Council member for more information. Drawing will be at our church festival on Sunday, August 17 at 4:00 p.m.

Something To Look Forward To

Many of us fondly remember the bus trip to our beautiful Cathedral a few years back. It was an enlightening experience for all ages, and now, we'd like to it again. The Parish Council is hoping to soon start planning a trip during the Fall this year. We will provide the details as they become available and let everyone know by email, phone, and posters in the church hall. Once plans are completed, a sign-up sheet will be available.

publicrelations@armeniandiocese.org

At a recent Parish Council meeting, it came up that some of our members were still unaware of the weekly Diocesan e-newsletter. Simply send a short note to the address above stating that you'd like to be added to their e-mail list for weekly news updates of the Armenian Church from around the Diocese and the world.

Volunteers Needed!



Our parish needs to create a database of names and dates from

Sacramental records. If you'd like to spend a few hours creating this list on the computer, please contact Der Hayr. The individual must have a good working knowledge of Word or Excel. Thank you.

Seniors News

St. Marks Armenian Church Seniors (Springfield, Ma) graciously hosted a wonderful May luncheon and social event for seniors from St. George and ACHR churches. Mr. Harry Demerjian coordinated the affair with the help of all of their seniors, including our very own Mary (Azarigian) Omartian who moved to Springfield years ago.

The "hamov" and plentiful meal was prepared and served by their committee. All who attended enjoyed the afternoon which was interesting, inspiring and informative. Our ACHR seniors appreciated the opportunity to spend time with our sisters and brothers and are anxious to start planning to host a similar event in the near future. Thank you Springfield Seniors!



To complete the Sunday School Lenten Drive, two more students added their donations, which now totals \$295! All gifts have been mailed to New York to our Diocese to benefit this year's recipients. Thank you to all students who gave generously.

On **Holy Thursday**, we were pleased to be present to participate and see the following young boys and their dads or grand-dads on the Altar. They were: Brian & Nick Kallajian, Matthew & David Marottolo, Arben Asatourian and David Maljanian.

Last month, we appreciated the Endowment gifts from the Sarah Yagoobian Fund and Margie Sagherian Fund. Bless their memories.

Every year, Rose Linda Tashjian has been giving "sweet treats" to our children during the Easter season. We thank her for her kindness.

The fifth and sixth grade students and their teacher, Elisa Marotollo, did a beautiful Fellowship Hour in May. They put some of us to shame with their talents! We all enjoyed it. Thank you!

As noted in our May issue, our students, teachers, parents, grads and a few friends will be celebrating our year-end outing at Rock Cats Stadium in New Britain on June 1. To add to our fun, a surprise gift of a box suite was given to us by John & Rose Maljanian, along with our already reserved seats. We appreciate the gift and now pray for a nice sunny baseball day.

On the last day of Sunday School, June 8, awards for good attendance and Altar flower gifts will be given out. We will conclude the day by all taking group confession and communion.

Lastly, we thank all adults who volunteered as teachers, substitutes, assistant teachers and committee members as well as Altar Servers and Epistle Readers. We will miss Melanie Picard and Elisa Marottolo, who will not be able to teach next year. Both will be able to assist the new teacher when called upon. The replacements for them will be Karlin Asatourian and Roxie Maljanian. Paula Pare, Hasmig Cannata, Debra Maljanian-Kerr and Alyssa Cannata are willing to continue as well as Jeanne Abrahamian as Christmas Program Director. Thank you all!

We thank everyone for your time, talents and energy. Let us continue to encourage family and friends in our church life, even as busy as one is. Please notify the Superintendent before the end of June of potential four-year-olds or older who may wish to enroll in September. We hope this has been a rewarding year for your child as has been for us the staff! **Happy summer vacation to all!**



HYE ANGELS

WOMEN'S GUILD

Like butterflies of the season, the Hye Angels emerged to show their beautiful wings at Foodshare's Walk Against Hunger in Hartford on May 4th. As in past years, Hye Angels signed up to walk on behalf of the Friendship Center of New Britain. The walk is in its 31st year and boasts music, entertainment and the joy of giving back. Although the threat of rain kept some away, we were blessed with a beautiful day of sunshine and just the right temperature. Thankfully the skies didn't open up until our ride home. But as always, the best part was enjoying each other's company and helping Foodshare raise over \$550,000 to help feed hungry families in greater Hartford. The walkers on the Hye Angels team for 2014 are pictured below. From left to right are Shannon Bagdigian, Erin, Lauren Azarigian, Kiara and Sarah.

I would like to thank Alice Dadourian for her recent donation to Hye Angels. Her belief and support in this newer organization is essential to our success. I am both humbled and honored and can't wait until our next event. Please keep an eye out for upcoming events sponsored by the Hye Angels. I have some great ideas that are still in the planning stage, but hope to be able to announce them soon. In the meantime, please keep your eyes and ears open for events that focus on the Hye Angels mission and that is to be the change you want to see in the world. The start of Hye Angels was based on the idea of more social activities between fellow friends, doing good deeds in the community, as well as bringing us back home to the house of God we grew up in and love so much and my mission remains the same.

For more information about Hye Angels and how to participate in future events please contact me at HyeAngels@usa.com. I hope you all continue share in my passion for the Hye Angels because I truly believe together we can move mountains!





2014 ACHR representatives to Women's Guild Central Council & Diocesan Assembly Yn. Patricia Buttero and Adrienne Damian



To All ACHR Members and Relatives near and far...

Carol and I want to thank you one and all for all your cards, phone calls and especially your visits while I was vacationing in the hospital and subsequent rehabilitation center. It's nice to be home again.

God Bless you all. Harry Hougas

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

Rose Badrigian Mr. and Mrs. Jon Simonian Total as of May 11, 2014: \$2,040 Veronica Karekinian Manusak Terdjanian

ARISH REGISTRY

Requiem Services were offered for the souls of:

• Shavarsh & Varoohi Yessian, Mardiros & Takoohi Maljanian Requested by John & Roxie Maljanian

- Mary Asadorian, Arshalooys Haboian, Mary Derderian Requested by Carol & John Haboian
- Aramast Mahtesian, Betty Serdjenian Requested by Fr. Kapriel & Yn. Diane and family
- Arthur Kosian Requested by Carol Der Boghosian

Deaths

Our Parish Community expresses our collective prayers to the Ashekian and La Pointe families upon the passing of Mrs. Julia Ashekian. Julie's love for Armenian, her church and children was exemplary and leave a void to be filled by others to hear their "calling" as Julie did. We pray that her surviving family be comforted by the presence of the Holy Spirit in this difficult time.

Additionally, our prayers are extended to Berj Kallajian and family upon the passing of his sister, Ronnie Karekinian (NY). Services were held in Armenian Church of the Holy Martyrs, Bayside, Queens.

May Almighty God enlighten the souls of all His servants. Amen.



Church Donations Marian Varteresian Harry Azarigiain Harold and Ann Manoian Linda Soukiasian Marge Litteral *On the occasion of the 75th birthday of Yn. Patricia Buttero and Peter Bagdigian*

Looys Donations

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Sandwich Fund Donations

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All of the donations to the Sandwich Fund were made in memory of Veronica "Ronnie" Karekinian



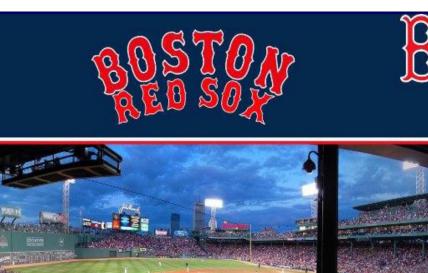
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Our Pastor and Parish Council would like to recognize and thank the following for hosting Sunday Fellowship in May. Der Hayr & Parish Council, Lucy Simonian, Henrietta Kallajian and Gail Onanian; 5th & 6th grade Sunday School class; John & Roxie Maljanian and Carol & John Haboian; Yn. Pat and Peter Bagdigian



Our Pastor and Parish Council would like to thank Carol Der Boghosian for her donation of Altar flowers given for the glory of God. On Mother's Day, our ACYOA continued their tradition of sponsoring Altar flowers for the glory of God and distributing them to all of our moms after Divine Liturgy.





Special Raffle Sponsored by Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection

Boston Red Sox Raffle

Two premium seats, 7th row from the field behind the Red Sox batter's circle! Seats are located in Section 18, Box F39, Row G.

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 7:10pm Baltimore Orioles vs. Boston Red Sox

Tickets on sale now through August 17, 2014 Drawing on Sunday, August 17th at 4:00pm (winner receives 2 tickets and does not need to be present at drawing)

\$10 per raffle ticket or 3 tickets for \$25

Please see any parish council member for more information. Or call 860-578-9689 and leave a message.

Good luck!





Renewal Sunday

June 8, 2014

Be with us for Liturgy. Receive Holy Sacrament with your Spouse and take a moment with others to

Renew Sacred Marriage Vows.



Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection

New Britain, C7

Remember the Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection in your will.



CHOOSE A MINISTRY TO SUPPORT ESTABLISH AN ENDOWMENT, SUPPLEMENT THE GENERAL FUND.

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE, YOUR PASTOR, OR A PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER FOR OPTIONS



FAREWELL AND GOOD LUCK!

We wish a fond farewell to the Najarian - Garbs who will be moving during the summer months. Joanna is the new Superintendent of the Sunday School at the Trumbull Church, Holy Ascension. We will all miss their beautiful family!



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Liturgical Service Schedule

Morning Services are offered at 9:15 and Divine Liturgy at 10:15. Fr. Kapriel is available to accommodate your requests for both weekday and weekend Requiem Services, Home Blessings and Visitations. Please call Der Hayr at 860-223-7875 for your pastoral needs.

Calendar of Events for June 2014

Sunday 1st	Sunday School Outing - Rock Cats Game: 12:15 PM	
Sunday 8th	Pentecost (50th day after Easter) Last day of Sunday School: Confession / Communion	
Sunday 15th	Father's Day & Picnic	
Monday 16th	Remembrance of St. Hripsime & her companions Parish Council initiation	
Tuesday 17th	Remembrance of St. Gayane & her companions Sandwich committee meets	
Saturday 21st	Remembrance of St. Gregory the Enlightener's deliverance from the pit	
Sunday 22nd	Feast of the Catholic Church of Holy Etchmiadzin	
Monday 23rd	Parish Council meeting	

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Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian, John Maljanian, Roxie Maljanian, Gail Onanian, Shannon Bagdigian

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