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Reverend Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian, Pastor

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Welcome to the

Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection

From the Pastor

Dear Faithful,

Putting this booklet together was more difficult than I originally envisioned. To capture the essence of a church family and community of believers and transfer those feelings on paper is an nearly impossible task.

Over the last decade I've been both amazed, humbled and have spiritually benefitted by the depth and breadth of the care, love and faith of those who occupy and fill our pews.

Come visit us, or *re-visit* us and truly know the welcome and warmth of a parish founded in a belief that God has something wonderful in mind for each of us no matter how young or how old, no matter where we have come from or where we might be going.

Come pray with us and share the gift that is your life with us and allow us to share our gifts and God's love with you.

With prayers,

Fr. Kapriel

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Mission Statement of the

Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America

The Mission Statement 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.

Our Goals

- •Establish an active pattern of true Christian hospitality in reaching out to bring back *and* welcome those seeking meaning for their lives and offer them opportunities for involvement in the life of the parish.
 - Deepen for all parishioners the meaning of servant leadership shown in the New Testament in order to increase significantly the lay leadership within the parish.
 - •Open up all parishioners the many levels of meaning of Christian stewardship in order to deepen our sense of gratitude and respect for our Lord.

Parish Office/Pastoral Needs

With some flexibility, Office Hours are kept Monday-Friday (9:30-3:00 pm), and most Saturday mornings.

Office phone/fax is 860-223-7875.

Those in need of pastoral assistance in an emergency may call Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian at 860-712-2778

Der Hayr is available to accommodate your requests for both weekday and weekend Requiem Services and Graveside Services, in addition to Home Visits & Hospital /Nursing Home Visitations, or just to chat.

Worship

The Divine Liturgy is the main worship service of the Armenian Church. But the *Badarak*, as we call it in Armenian, is much more than that. It provides the most intimate encounter we can have with God in this life. In the Divine Liturgy, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, comes to his people (from www.armenianchurch.net).

Sunday Morning Services@ 9:15 Sunday Divine Liturgy @ 10:15

Communication

Our parish utilizes several means of informing parishioners about matters related to our life together. The most current and frequent source of information is our website www.armenianchurchct.org

The weekly Sunday Worship Bulletin, weekly e-mail updates, our monthly newsletter, website, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram provide timely information for all generations to follow (see front cover).

Church Affiliated Organizations & Services

- The Looys (Light) is the official monthly publication of the Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection. For decades, it serves as a vital communication tool to inform our faithful on religious and social topics both within our parish, as well as within our Diocese and beyond. This is published from September -June.
- The Sunday School provides a nurturing and educational environment for our children to become familiar with basic tenets of Christian faith as well as to become aware and appreciate the history, traditions and ways of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church. Classes for children Nursery-High School are taught by our caring and educated staff of dedicated parish members.
- The ACYOA (Armenian Church Youth Organization of America) provides our young adults ages 12-college with age appropriate social and religious programs held in venues both regionally and nationally. The ACYOA and her programs are vital in the maturity of our young people becoming tomorrows leaders within our Diocese and in life.
- The Women's Guild serves as the backbone and 'pulse' of our parish. The Guild provides a venue for numerous fundraising and social events for our parish. Truly, this organization is a collection of dedicated daughters of the Armenian Church.

- The Seniors, (no age explanation needed) weather permitting meet in Abrahamian Auditorium every Wednesday to enjoy fellowship and one another's company while playing their favorite card games. Brown bagged lunches are brought by all and smiles are equally distributed. This group is comprised of all area Armenian parish members, for which we are most pleased to host.
- The Sandwich Committee meet monthly to prepare up to 200 lunches that are distributed here in New Britain through a downtown social service agency which provides physical nourishment to those in need while seeking solutions to their spiritual, mental health and housing needs.
- The Sons and Daughters provide "hands on" assistance to our church and community whenever called upon and have provided numerous outlets of social fun for her members.
- Our *Altar Servers & Choir* faithfully come to and support all worship services. For this we are blessed and thankful.
- The Hye Angels take their ministry on the road as they exhibit their faith by participating in walk-a-thons, clothing drives and numerous humanitarian acts of Christian kindness outside of the protected walls of our Sanctuary.
- The Pastor's Discretionary Fund exists and succeeds solely on the generosity of our members and friends. Through this fund, our pastor is able to assist those within and outside of our parish with some of the most basic personal needs in a time of crisis.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership means ...

†You are giving back because you've received.
†Holy Resurrection is your spiritual home or birth parish.
†You value the sense of community with others.
†You encourage us to reach out to more individuals and families.

By becoming a member, you...
†Make an active commitment to Holy Resurrection.

†Give back to others the gifts and talents that God has freely given you.

†Participate in the parish leadership and decision making.

Why...?

Our Hope

Our Pride

Our Future

Our Tomorrow

Our Responsibility...

Our Children...

Come & Worship with us...