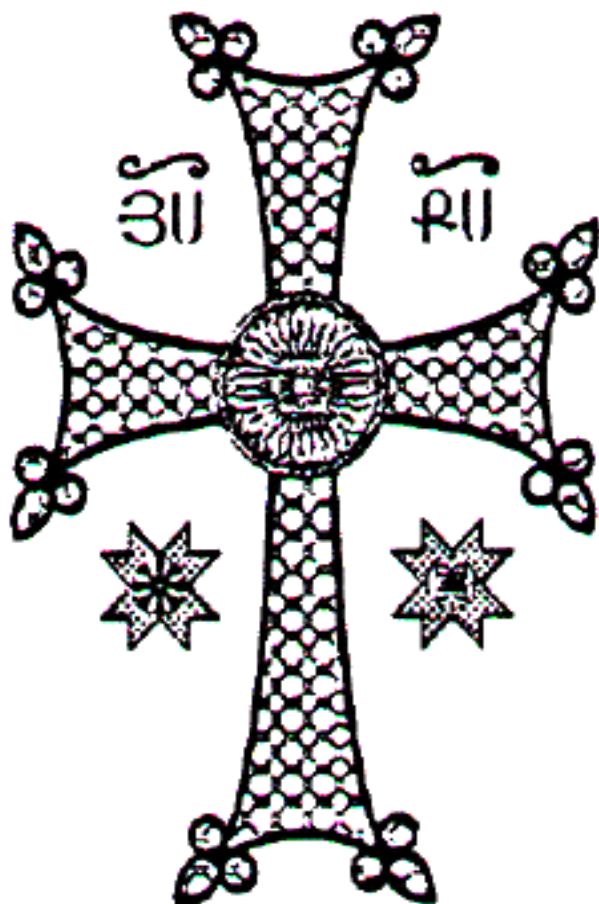


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June  
2015

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



# Church Directory

**Rev. Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian - Pastor**

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## Parish Council

Gary Hovhanessian  
Arthur Simonian Jr.  
John Maljanian Jr.  
David Abrahamian  
Matthew Cannata  
Charles Hovsepian  
Robbin Demircan

**Chairman**  
**Vice - Chairman**  
**Treasurer**  
**Asst. Treasurer**  
**Secretary**  
**Advisor**  
**Advisor**

## Parish Council Emeritus

John Maljanian Sr. **Executive Director**

## Diocesan Delegate

Adrienne Damian

## Cemetery Custodians

Peter Bagdigian  
Emil Mosey, Assistant

## Loos Staff

Reverend Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian  
Matthew Cannata  
Emil Mosey

## Sunday School

Roxie Maljanian **Superintendent**

## ACYOA Jrs.

Mary Connors  
Gary Hovhanessian

## Breakfast Club

Sylvia Simonian **Chair**

## Choir

Adrienne Damian **Director**  
Yn. Patricia Buttero **Asst. Director**  
Susan Sagherian **Organist**

## Hye Angels

Shannon Bagdigian **Chair**

## Sandwich Fund

Henrietta Kallajian **Chair**

## Seniors Coordinators

Queenie Hovhanessian **Chair**  
Yn. Patricia Buttero  
Gail Onanian

## Sons and Daughters

John Paul Abrahamian

## Women's Guild

Adrienne Damian **Chair**



# PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Faithful,

Regrettably, as the summer months arrive and warm weather surrounds us, we seem to lose touch with one another as church attendance drops off. For whatever human condition we have inherited, we, as other faith communities do, seem to “put off” corporate worship and the importance of receiving Holy Sacrament.

In order to attempt to bridge that gap, I’ve listed some Emergency Numbers for you. Actually, these numbers are so reliable, they can be used and called upon all year long.

I do wish all an enjoyable summer.

I do hope that all strengthen their family bonds at as many BBQs as possible.

I do hope that at some level, we can make worship and our relationship with God a year-round reality for as many as possible.

I do pray for all of you.



With prayers (and yes, wishes for a wonderful summer),  
*Reverend Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian*  
Pastor

## EMERGENCY

### Bible Numbers

Upset?.....	John 14
Weak?.....	Psalms 18:1-29
Lonely?.....	Psalms 23
Sinned?.....	Psalms 51
Worried?.....	Matthew 8:19-31
Anxious?.....	Phil. 4:4-9
Unhappy?.....	Col. 3:12-17
In Danger?.....	Psalms 91
Depressed?.....	Psalms 27
Lack of Faith?.....	Exodus 14
Others Unkind?.....	John 15
Need Courage?.....	Joshua 1
Need Direction?.....	Psalms 73:21-26
Seeking Peace?.....	Matthew 11:25-30
Leaving on a Trip?.....	Psalms 121
Labeled an Outcast?.....	Romans 8:31-39
Struggling with Loss?.....	Luke 15
Struggling Financially?.....	Psalms 37
Discouraged with Work?.....	Psalms 126

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# MISSION STATEMENT

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*Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America*

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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.



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## PARISH COUNCIL

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Our Pastor and Parish Council would like to recognize the efforts of Art Simonian and David Abrahamian for the purchase and installation of a new and much needed spot light on our front lawn brick ACHR sign.

Additionally, to Art for his donation of \$250.00. This money came by way of a referral gift he was unaware of when recommending a contractor to aid in the winter flood clean up of our Vestry. Upon learning of the referral gift, Art instructed the contractor to forward the check to our church as a gift.

God bless these and all who serve His Holy church.



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## FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

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Our Pastor and Parish Council would like to recognize and thank the following for hosting Sunday Fellowship during the month of May. Connors family, Sunday School (Graduation Day), Ohanian, Pare and Soukiassian families.



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# PARISH NEWS

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## **CCSU Graduate School Commencement**

At the invitation of CCSU President, Dr. John Miller, our pastor, Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian was invited to give the Opening Prayer at the Graduate School Graduation Exercises on Thursday, May 14, for Central Connecticut State University. This was Der Hayr's second invitation at the request of the university during his pastorate here in New Britain.



## **Students visit Holy Resurrection**

On Friday, May 1, Advanced Placement students from Bacon Academy in Colchester visited our sanctuary and met with Fr. Kapriel as part of their Comparative Religion Studies class. On this specific day, the class of nearly fifty students visited a church, a mosque and a temple and met with all the respective religious leaders and received some insights as to their specific customs, history and to see what possible elements of faith may be shared by all. For the fourth consecutive year, our church has been the choice for the school for their designated 'church' visit.



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# PARISH REGISTRY

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## **Requiem Services were offered for the souls of:**

- **Derahayr Aram Mouradjian (4th year)**

*Requested by Deramayr Irene, Fr. Kapriel & Yn. Diane, Mitchell and Elizabeth*

- **Mardiros & Takoohi Maljanian, Shavarsh & Vartouhi Yessian, Araxie Garabedian**

*Requested by John & Roxie Maljanian*

***May Almighty God illuminate their souls in His Kingdom. Amen.***

**Please note Summer Liturgical Schedule (July 12 - August 30)**

Morning Services are offered at 9:30

Divine Liturgy is offered at 10:00 with Last Blessing at 11:30



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Last month, we received gifts from two Endowment Funds for our Sunday School. We continue to thank the families of Sarah Yagoobian and Margie Sagherian who established these which benefit our children.

**Armenian Folk Dance Lessons** during the summer will once again be taught by Tammy Bagdikian. She will have a sign-up sheet on our church bulletin board for those who are interested. Practices will be held in August with the class dancing at our Armenian Festival with a live band later that month! To contact her, please call 860-794-6108. These young dancers are always a big hit!

**Graduation Day** for our senior class on May 17 was very special. Some photos are already on the Memories bulletin board. Congratulations to all five—Emily, Elizabeth, Nicholas, Justin and Sam. Thanks to their parents and grandparents who encouraged them since the age of four and to their teacher this year, Debbie Kerr. Our thanks to all parishioners who were there for the festivities.

The committee of Michelle Kalfayan, Elise Marottolo, Melanie Picard and Marylou Connors outdid themselves. A special gift of a DVD for each graduate played photos of past years with Armenian music in the background. This will help them remember all of their good years together! Thank you for all your time, talents and gifts! We did miss several families this year who had family graduations and commitments out of town on this day.

Soon, it will be time for our campers, counselors and nurse to head over to **St. Vartan Camp** to spend time with new and old friends in the camp. Have a great time to all those who are lucky to attend!

Families will be notified in June via e-mail as to the dates of several workshops to make the Christmas tree ornaments with St. George and St. Stephens children for the **Wadsworth Athenaeum Christmas Tree Display**. All of these Armenian themed ornaments for a special tree from three Sunday Schools must be ready for a September date to qualify for entrance.

**June 7** is our last day of Sunday School. Awards will be given and we will sponsor the Fellowship Hour after Badarak. Let us try for 100% attendance on that day! Even our graduates will be back on that day to be with us!

As we mentioned last month, we will miss Paula Pare and Melanie Picard as teachers next year, but they will still stay on our substitute list. Paula and I will be training Eliizabeth Kalfayan and Emily Kallajian as co-teachers for the Nursery-Grade 1 class.

We thank all teachers, subs, parents and others who served his year. Let us continue to encourage family and friends to make time for our beloved Armenian church for its future leaders! We hope this has been a rewarding year for your child as it has been for our staff.

**Have a wonderful, safe and happy summer!**







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## WASHINGTON, D.C. PONTIFICAL LITURGY

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On Saturday morning, May 9, some 3,000 attended a Pontifical celebration of the Divine Liturgy at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It was the largest gathering of the National Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Centennial held in Washington, DC, from May 7 to 9.

The magnificent service was celebrated by His Holiness Karekin II, the Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, with a stirring homily delivered by His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia.

Dozens of clergymen from the Eastern and Western Dioceses, the Eastern and Western Prelacies, and the Armenian Evangelical and Catholic denominations took part in the liturgy, aided by numerous deacons and a 200-voice choir representing Armenian communities from across the country.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Washington, His Eminence Donald Cardinal Wuerl, warmly welcomed the assemblage with the words: "The blood of the martyred saints of the Armenian Genocide bears witness of the deep Christian faith of your people."

Catholicos Karekin II declared that "the recognition of truth and implementation of justice are needed not only for our people and our martyrs, but also for Turkey, to reconcile with its own history, to shake off its sins of past crimes. It is also necessary for the greater family of nations and people, in order to build its reconciled and peaceful future on a foundation of justice," he said to loud applause.

In a homily delivered with impressive authority, Catholicos Aram I said that "our gathering together of the two Vehapars, is a defining moment" in our contemporary history, testifying to the fact that "we belong to one faith, one homeland, one history, and one nation."

"The demarcation line between our faith and our nation is inseparable, and no one can separate faith from our Armenian identity," he said, paraphrasing the famous words of the Vartanantz saints.





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## WASHINGTON, D.C. ECUMENICAL SERVICE

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On Thursday, May 7, in one of America's most distinguished religious sanctuaries, the neo-gothic Washington National Cathedral, more than 2,500 people filled every seat to witness a majestic Ecumenical Prayer Service for Justice and Peace.

His Holiness Karekin II, the Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, and His Holiness Aram I, the Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia, presided over the historic two-hour service, which was sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and the National Council of Church of Christ in the U.S.A.

U.S. Vice President Joe Biden and the President of the Republic of Armenia Serzh Sargsyan led the roster of dignitaries present, which also included the leader of the worldwide Syriac Orthodox Church, His Holiness Ignatius Aphrem II, Patriarch of Antioch and All the East.

As the service began, the early evening's fading sunlight streamed through the magnificent stained glass windows, evoking the remembrance of the holy martyrs, the survival and flourishing of the Armenian people, as well as the prayers being offered for justice and peace in the world.

### **Thank You God for Everything**

Thank you, God for everything...the big things and the small,  
For "every good gift comes from God"...the giver of them all.

And all too often we accept without any thanks or praise the gifts  
God sends as blessings each day in many ways.

First, thank you for the little things that often come our way,  
the things we take for granted but forget to mention when we pray.

Then, thank you for the miracles we are too blind to see, and giving  
us new awareness of our many gifts from Thee.

And help us remember that the Key of Life and Living is to make  
each prayer a Prayer of Thanks and every day, Thanksgiving.

"For Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things.  
To whom be glory forever."

*Romans 11:36*



# DONATIONS

## **Church Donations**

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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 2015

- Wednesday - 3** Women's Guild meeting - 6:30 PM
- Saturday - 6** Remembrance of St. Gregory The Enlightener's Deliverance From the Pit (Khor Virab)
- Sunday - 7** Feast of the Catholic Church of Holy Etchmiadzin
- Saturday - 13** Remembrance of St. Nersess the Great
- Monday - 15** Parish Council meeting - 7:30 PM
- Tuesday - 16** Sandwich committee - 1:30 PM
- Sunday - 21** Father's Day
- Tuesday - 23** Remembrance of St Daniel the Prophet & Companions Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego
- Thursday - 25** Remembrance of the Holy Translators Sts. Sahag & Mesrob
- Saturday - 27** Remembrance of Sts. Tiridates the King (Drtad Takavor) and Queen Ashken
- Sunday - 28** Please note: No church services
- Tuesday - 30** Remembrance of St. Zechariah the Prophet

### July 2015

- Sunday - 5** Morning Services will be offered at 10:00. Holy Communion & Dismissal will follow. There will be no liturgy offered on this day.

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