



LOOYS

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE
ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY RESURRECTION



Dear Faithful,

One of the devotional practices in the Armenian Church, as in all Orthodox Churches, is the beautiful custom of burning candles in front of sacred shrines, icons or relics.

It is symbolic of the sacrifice of the Christian soul in order to shine with divine graces, confident in the example and intercession of the saints. So the candle burns itself up to give out light.

Light symbolizes Christ, "The Light of the World."

When attending the Divine Liturgy on Sunday or any Worship Service, the believer may obtain a candle(s) in the Narthex which is accompanied by a donation. Then, he/she will take their candle to one of the icons in our church. The faithful will then light the candle, make the sign of the cross, say a prayer and return to the pew. During the prayer he/she may ask the intercession of the particular saint in his/her mind which may be represented by the image or relic.



*With prayers,
Reverend Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian
Pastor*

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY RESURRECTION NOVEMBER 2017

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SUNDAY SCHOOL - WHY IS THE SKY BLUE?



We may not be able to answer this question precisely, but one of the goals of our Sunday School community is to discuss all topics, big and small. Some subjects we are tackling include: Why are the Evangelists represented with individual symbols?

Why do we have a certain number of crosses in our Church architecture? Who replaced Judas? Why are there 38 letters in the Armenian alphabet? I suggest you to ask our students about the process of investigation we undertake each week; I have no doubt it will open up interesting and informative discussions.

What does it mean to be a Christian? Who is Jesus Christ? What is the Church? I invite all members of our Church family to join the conversation. **Most sincerely, "Deegeen" Elisa Griego**

ANNUAL CHURCH ANNIVERSARY DINNER SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

The Pastor and Parish Council of the Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection
requests the honor of your presence in

Giving Thanks

Sunday, November 12, 2017
during the celebration of Divine Liturgy at 9:45 a.m.

Guest Celebrant, Very Reverend Father Anania Tsaturyan
Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin
Reverend Father Kapriel Mouradjian

followed by the 76th Consecration Anniversary Banquet in the Abrahamian Auditorium

Meal consists of:

Poached pear salad with toasted walnuts, stilton cheese and honey citrus vinaigrette
Chicken dijon with artichoke hearts, tomato and white wine
Penne a la vodka with spinach and mushrooms
Roasted red and sweet potatoes
Green beans with orange zest

*Keep in mind this is a catered event, so please plan accordingly and respond in a timely manner
Please RSVP to the Parish Council Office by November 5



THE MISSION OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH

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.

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE WOMEN'S GUILD



Pie Fundraiser - Thank you to all those who supported this year's fundraiser. We sold a total of 155 Lyman's Orchard pies in all and it could not be done without your assistance. Remember that pick up will be between 9 and 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 18th. At noon that day, all donated and un-claimed pies will be brought to New Britain centers that provide food and shelter for those in need.

Pasta Dinner and Recognition - On Sunday, October 22, 2017, the Women's Guild put on a delicious Pasta luncheon following church services for approximately 70 people. During lunch, Sarah

Kalfayan, daughter of Sarkis and Michelle Kalfayan, shared slides of her trip to Armenia, as a participant this past summer's Armenian Service Program (ASP). We thank you Sarah for sharing your photos with us and for creating a great slide show with music.

Next, Fr. Kapriel presented a special gift to, Eleanor "Ellie" Egazarian for 50+ years of service as our Guild's Historian. Surrounded by her family members, and with her 95th birthday just two weeks away, all sang "Happy Birthday", while a surprise cake was brought to her table. Ellie's kind words about her church family was very touching. Ellie, just as you say you love us, we love you too!

Thanks to the following for preparation and assistance for the luncheon: Sebby Haratunian, Charles Vartanian, Art Simonian, Greg Abrahamian, Sarkis Kalfayan, Rose Mosey, Sonia Ohanian, Dian Erikian, Paula Pare, Marge Litteral, Jane DerAsadourian, Hasmig Cannata, Betty Bagdasarian, and Adrienne Damian.

Thank you to the following for your donations: Rose Mosey, Sonia Ohanian, Paula Pare, Dian Erikian, the family of Ellie Egazarian, Yeretzgin Diane Mouradjian, and Adrienne Damian.

THANK YOU!

Dear Adrienne (Damian),

Thank you for all you do for ACHR and your wonderful organization. You are one terrific lady and it is my pleasure to work with you. Thank you for such a WONDERFUL Sunday. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed yesterday.

*Hugs,
Marge*

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There is a growing understanding of the fact that our corporate (parish) life represents a definitely higher form of human existence than does a mere individual life. Besides, your family and friends enjoy seeing you!

REGISTER FOR THE EASTER 2018 PILGRIMAGE TO JERUSALEM

Registration remains open for the Eastern Diocese's pilgrimage to the Holy Land, slated for the spring of 2018. The pilgrimage is the culmination of the Diocese's "Save the Tomb" campaign in support of the restoration of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

The dates of the pilgrimage are April 3-14, 2018. Participants will spend Holy Week and Easter in Jerusalem and its environs, and will worship at the newly restored Tomb of Christ in the Holy Sepulchre. *(Forms for the Pilgrimage are located in the Martyrs Tower, or you may see Fr. Kapriel).*



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On the occasion of David Marottolo's graduation from Sunday School

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On the occasion of her nephew Justin's graduation and retirement of Roxie Maljanian from our Sunday School

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CLEAN WATER FOR RURAL ARMENIA



Villagers in rural Armenia will now have access to clean water, thanks to a project by the Fund for Armenian Relief (FAR). A renovated water system will convey potable water to the homes of the 750 residents of Varagavan, a small community in Armenia's impoverished Tavush province.

"The problem with the main water system became apparent in 2014," said regional administrator Armen Abrahamyan. "Water pipes installed during the Soviet era were corroded, and we had water leakage. There was so much leakage that people were complaining about humidity in their homes."

Constructing new potable water systems, & rehabilitating old ones, is an important function of FAR's "Breaking the Cycle of Poverty Program," which aims to strengthen economic and agricultural activity, infrastructure, healthcare, and education in Armenia's poorest communities.

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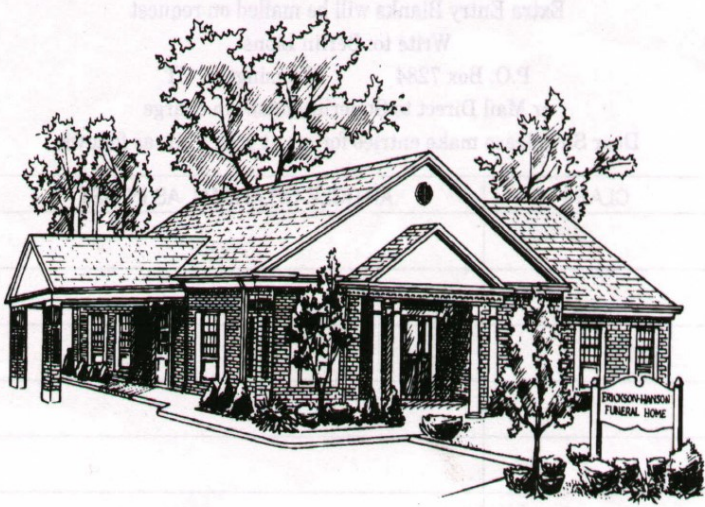
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