

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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The Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian, Pastor

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community:

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian

The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Deacon Rubik Mailian, *Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant*

Arshaluys Gharibian, *Organist*



Sunday Bulletin

Welcome!

We welcome you to the Divine Liturgy/Soorp Badarak and invite all who are Baptized and Chrismated in, or are in communion with, the Armenian Church to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are new to our parish and would like information about our many parish groups, please ask any Parish Council member on duty at the desk. Make certain you fill out a contact card before you leave so we can be in touch. Enter to worship the Lord Jesus who loves you and depart with His love to serve others.

May 19, 2024

The Armenian Church Year 1474

FEAST OF PENTECOST

Celebrant: Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Acts 2:1-21. John 14:25-31.

Lector: Sona Bell

Today's Gospel

14:25-31

These things I have spoken to you, while I am still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I go away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I go to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place, you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me; but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know

Feast of Pentecost

Today, the Armenian Church celebrates the Feast of Pentecost. We mark the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the Holy Apostles in the Upper Room fifty days (penta = five) after Christ's triumphant resurrection.

Scripture tells us that while the Apostles were in the Upper Room, there was a mighty wind and that the Holy Spirit came down upon them in the form of fiery tongues.

During today's Divine Liturgy, we pause three times to read the Prayer of St. John Chrysostom dedicated to the three persons of the Holy Trinity.

These prayers are read immediately prior to the singing of the three hymns dedicated to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit (*Hayr Yergnavor, Vorti Asdoodzoh, and Hoki Asdoodzoh*).

These beautiful prayers emphasizes our deep, intimate, and spiritual relationship with each person of the Trinity.



Hymn of the Day

During the Synaxis (on the bottom of page 12 of the Divine Liturgy book), the choir will sing the Midday Psalm and the Midday Chant proper to the Day

Pentecost

The Lord reigneth;
He is clothed with majesty.
The Holy Spirit who springs forth perpetually,
Since the beginning, inseparable from the Son,
Today was poured down mightily from heaven
Filling all those in the company of the Apostles,
Let us bless and bow down to him.

The One without beginning and always with the self-existent,
The Holy Spirit, inseparable with the same nature as the Son,
Was preached in fiery, distinct languages today,
Bringing nations to the light by distributing diverse talents/gifts to them.
Let us bless and bow down to him.

Inseparable from the Father and the Son,
The equally sovereign Holy Spirit,
Who was hovering over the waters,
Today regenerated all nations,
By the living water gushing forth from Jerusalem.
Let us bless and bow down to him.

Plate Collection

Parish Council will be taking a plate collection for the church immediately after Holy Communion. Your donations remain an essential part of supporting our church's mission and activities. Online donations can also be made using the QR code.



St. John Armenian Church
The Following Were Elected to Parish Council and
Were Installed Last Sunday During Divine Liturgy

Kim Najarian, Chair

Peter Egigian, Vice Chair

Roseann Manoogian Attar, Treasurer

Sarkis Sako Ghazarian, Treasurer Assistant

Dn. George Boyagian, Recording Secretary

Anna Tokmajyan, Assistant Secretary

Correne Akarakcian, Advisor

Lisa Boyadjian, Advisor

George Derderian, Advisor

Gary Gozmanian, Advisor

Paul Yousoufian, Advisor

Diana Mardigian, 1st Alternate

Maral Thomas, 2nd Alternate



Gift to Church

Richard, Corinne, Henry and Victoria Khederian make a gift to church in memory of their Father and Grandfather **Henry Kachadourian** by honoring his heavenly 93rd birthday on May 20, 2024, and in memory of their Mother and Grandmother **Victoria Kerbeckian Kachadourian** by honoring her heavenly 93rd birthday on May 24, 2024.

Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Veranica Mkrtumyan
Rose Sarafian Strauss
Badrik Joocharigian
Lusine Hovsepyan
Joann Mashigian
Hrayr Mashigian
Charles Sansone
Gary Mashigian
Craig Tarpinian

Diramayr Marmine Bagdasarian
Haroutiun Bagdasarian
Dinora Boulgarian Pitz
Mary Helen Altounian
Wayne Owen Engelki
Shoghig Terjimanian
Rozann Vartoogian
Nailya Sahakian
Ardash Apigian

Vladimir Avetisov
Nancy Altounian
Marge Aramian
Ronald Seaman
Rose Lucassian
Susie Janigian
Zaven Ovian
Jan Paloian
Rose Baise

Memorial Day Grave Blessings

Sunday, May 26

Available by Appointment Only

Monday, May 27

Evergreen Cemetery - Fr. Aren from 10:00am - 10:30am

Woodlawn Cemetery - Fr. Aren at 10:30am until noon

Woodmere Cemetery - Fr. Aren at 1:00pm

Oakland Hills Memorial Garden and White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery -
please call the Church Office for an appointment.

At noon on Monday, May 27, there will be a general requiem at Woodlawn
Martyrs' Monument in memory of all Armenians buried, offered by Fr. Aren.

If you wish to have individual names remembered please bring a typed list of names
to give to Fr. Aren who will remember them during the general requiem service.

All grave blessing times and dates are weather permitting.

Summer Hours

Beginning from Sunday, May 26 through and including Sunday, September 1,
Summer hours will be observed for Sunday liturgical services:

Morning Service - 9:00am

Divine Liturgy - 9:30am



BASHDON HOKEHANKUSDYAN

REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

ANAHIT TOVMASYAN 40th Day, Loving Mother, Daughter, Sister, Aunt, Friend

Requested by David, Victoria, Michael and Ara Togmajyan

Anichka Tovmasyan

Anush and Lana Tovmasyan

Arman Vardanyan and Anna Tokmajyan and Family

Lilit Grigoryan and Family

Anna Ter-Azaryan and Family

Hovhannisyanyan Family

GARY SCHACK, 1st Year, Loving Husband, Father, Father-In-Law, Grandfather

Requested by Janet Atesian Schack

Kristina and Phil, Scott and Kyra Arsenault

Kevin Schack

Nicole and Charlie, Zabelle, Tasha, Charlie and Thatcher Simmons

Kyle and Adriana, Reagan and Santi Schack

Howard and Cathy Atesian

Darren and Pashke Atesian and Family

Ara and Christine Atesian and Family

HENRY KACHADOURIAN, 1st Year, Loving Husband, Father, Father-In-Law, Grandfather

VICTORIA KERBECKIAN KACHADOURIAN, 4.5 Year, Loving Wife, Mother, Mother-in-Law, Grandmother

Requested by Richard, Corinne, Henry and Victoria Khederian





**ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Church school Graduation Today
Following Divine Liturgy in the Sanctuary

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024
CHURCH SCHOOL GRADUATES
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

GIA ANDONYAN

Daughter of George and Olivia Andonyan
Gia will be attending Purdue University

DONALD HORNE

Son of Don and Rima Horne
Donald will be attending Oakland University

WILLIAM McCAUSLAND

Son of Bill and Lisa McCausland
William will be attending University of Tennessee

ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH

Celebrating church school graduation



SUN

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MAY

FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICE

ADULTS - \$20, KIDS - \$10

Kherovadz Picnic

JOIN US FOR FUN AND GOOD FOOD!!!



St. John Armenian Church

BIBLE STUDY

LED BY FR. AREN!



MAY 20, 2024

TWICE A MONTH,
IN-PERSON
MONDAYS FROM 7.00PM - 8.30PM

St. John Main Kitchen
WE BEGIN AGAIN!

Come and enjoy the good company and have some fun while leading the baking goods for Bazaar 2024.



Next days will be:

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 9 AM UNTIL NOON – CHOREG
TUESDAY, MAY 28, 9 AM UNTIL NOON – KHALKHA

PLEASE REACH OUT TO YERCHANIG IF YOU CAN HELP
248-533-6320 OR YERCHANIGC@GMAIL.COM

Please, please, RSVP most kindly, to the e mail to let us know if you will be available
No experience necessary, bring a pal and all hands
are great hands!!



Bees Honey & Bee-Keeping



The St John's Mens Society

*Invites you to a dinner lecture with
Bee-keeper and Master Gardener David Putt.*

Bees are fascinating insects and beekeeping can be a very rewarding enterprise. In this presentation, Dave will explore the world of the honeybee, what you need to know to become a beekeeper and the secrets of honey.

Thursday May 23rd

Lecture is COMPLIMENTARY & Open to the Public

**SJ MENS SOCIETY MEETING TO FOLLOW
PLEASE JOIN US!**

Dinner \$15 Starts at 6:00 pm

MEAL PREP BY SJ MENS SOCIETY

Lecture begins at 6:30 pm

IN THE SAINT VARTAN ROOM

**For Dinner Reservations Please Call or Email
Danny Cristlano 313.398.4215 or djcris100@gmail.com**



JOIN US AND HELP SORT BADLY NEEDED
MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT
TO BE USED LOCALLY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

SJAC VOLUNTEER DAY AT WORLD MEDICAL RELIEF

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY



Saturday, June 1, 9:00am-11:30am

CONTACT GREG OR EDITH BAISE AT (313) 673-3325
OR EBASE@UMICH.EDU
21725 MELROSE AVE, SOUTHFIELD, MI, 48075

Starting Father's Day. a little early
Cigars and Armenian Brandy Friday. June 7th, 2024 - 8pm

Hosted by St. John Men's Society

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help support
the youth programs and ministries of St. John Armenian Church

We start with a dinner of:

Grilled Delmonico Steak w/ Grilled Onions & Mushrooms
and Roasted Potatoes
Whole Fruits and Coffee



Then relax and enjoy Cigars
And a variety of Armenian Brandies



Pops and juices will be available for the non-drinkers
Play cards or backgammon or just enjoy Friends & Family

\$75.00 p.p.

For Reservations, Please Call Text or Email

Dan Cristiano 313-938-4215



An Armenian Picnic Lunch

By St. John's Men's Society

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help support
the youth programs and ministries of St. John Armenian Church

Sunday, June 9th, 2024

Take it home or have lunch here

2- Lahmajoon

Armenian Potato Salad,

Eetch, Hummus, Pita

Bottled Water

\$15.00

Preorder requested call or text Dan Cristiano 313-938-4215



enjoy a btl

with your lunch \$20.00



VISIT COST PER PERSON: \$3,425

BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

SPACE IS LIMITED

ETCHMIADZIN

Round Trip airfare JFK (Air France)

YEREVAN

Full transportation and transfers in Armenia as specified in itinerary

GENOCIDE MEMORIAL

KHOR VIRAB

Breakfast and lunch/dinner according to the itinerary

NORAVANK

Hotel accommodations (double occupancy)

LAKE SEVAN

DILIJAN

Entrance fee to all sightseeing destinations

GARNI

Tour guide (English)

GEGHARD

FOR INFORMATION
simatours@gmail.com

HAGHPAT

610.359.7521

**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE**

June 10

A HISTORIC PILGRIMAGE TO

ARMENIA

SEPTEMBER 19 – OCTOBER 2, 2024

**BLESSING OF THE HOLY MURON
RECONSECRATION OF HOLY ETCHMIADZIN**

Father's Day Booklet

Tell us a story about your Dad...

Granddad...

Great Granddad...



Father's Day June 16th, 2024

- ✦ We would like to hear about those big and small things - that dads do to make your life a little better. Or
- ✦ Wish your father a Happy Father's Day. Or
- ✦ Offer a prayer in Memory of your father that has passed.

Deadline June 8th

Email your story / Pictures to: Robert Magee: pmagee7277@gmail.com

Donation ad: 1/2 page (5 in. high x 7.5 in. wide) \$30.00 / full page (10 in. high x 7.5 in. wide) \$50.00

Church School students 1/4 page 20.00 per student

We reserve the right to adjust your article to fit the booklet outline

Please send checks to: St. John Armenian Church Attention: Men's Society

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help support
the youth programs and ministries of St. John Armenian Church

Prayer in the Park

Experiencing

God

in Nature

**Please join the Clergy and
St. John Armenian Church Choir
for *Vesper Service* at
Marshbank Park in West Bloomfield
Mapleridge Shelter**

(turn RIGHT after you enter the park)

Friday, June 28, 2024

6:30 pm – Prayer Service

7:00 pm – Fellowship / Refreshments (Potluck)

Any questions, contact:

Correne Akarakcian – 248-672-5736

ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH DAY CAMP 2024

Monday – Thursday
Check-in: 9:00 am - 9:30 am
Dismissal: 4:00pm

Session I:

Monday, June 24 – Thursday, June 27

Arts of Armenia

Separate application in conjunction with
Komitas Choir
Monday, July 8 - Friday, July 12

Session II:

Monday, July 15 – Thursday, July 18

HYE CAMP JULY 22nd – AUGUST 3rd
www.diocesansummercamps.org

Session III:

Monday, August 5 – Thursday, August 8

Session IV:

Monday, August 12 – Thursday, August 15

Session V:

Monday, August 19 – Thursday, August 22

Session VI:

Monday, August 26-Thursday, August 29

Additional Information:

\$30 a day | Discount for second child | Ages 5-12 yrs.
Enrollment includes art supplies, refreshments, t-shirt,
field trips, and transportation for field trips.

Parents, please provide sack lunch!

Lisa Mardigian

lmardigian@sjachurch.org (586) 808 2202



ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

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ARTS OF ARMENIA



*A premier summer fine arts program
for children ages 8-12*

This Year's Theme: Works of Our Hands: Armenian Creators

July 8-12, 2024

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Authentic Armenian Dance, Music, Drawing/Painting,
Baking and more
taught by professional teachers

Registration Deadline: Sunday, June 23, 2024

Limited Enrollment



For more information please contact:

Lisa Mardigian

lmardigian@sjachurch.org

Registration Link <https://forms.gle/HbGVxb7gDrtLCxsvKA> and QR Code



Sponsored by the
Komitas Choir

St. John Armenian Church
22001 Northwestern Highway
Southfield, MI 48075
248-569-3405





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OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH
OF AMERICA

Summer 2024

HYE CAMP

Where faith, fun and fellowship meet

Where friends
you meet
will last a
lifetime

Where
memories
are made

JULY 27 - AUGUST 3
Ingleside, IL



Learn



Play



Pray

CAMP HICKORY

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT

JENNIFER MORRIS AT 248.648.0702

JENNIFERM@ARMENIANDIOCESE.ORG

STAFF TRAINING: JULY 24 - JULY 27

CAMP SESSION: JULY 27 - AUGUST 3

CAMPERS: \$800 FOR THE SESSION

CITS: \$450 FOR THE SESSION

EARLY-BIRD DISCOUNT: \$50/CAMPER
FAMILY DISCOUNT: \$25/PER EXTRA CAMPER



Register Online

diocesansummercamps.org



YOUNG ADULTS AGES 26 THROUGH FORTIES ARE INVITED!

MONTHLY HYE DOON SOCIAL



Whether you're new to Detroit or it's been home forever,
connect with friends at our casual evening get-togethers

Scan the QR Code or email DetroitHyeDoon@gmail.com to join our mailing list!

Dinner, Music, Mingling, Games [usually the first Thursday of the month at 7PM]

Past themes: trivia night, tavloo/cards evening, Armenian dance workshop, 90s throwback party,
Manoogian Museum and St. John Sanctuary Tour, Pumpkin Carving Contest, Ugly Xmas Sweater
Party, Short Film Screening, Karaoke Night, Cheereg Making Workshop,
and many more!



**HOST YOUR SPECIAL MOMENT AT
ONE OF OUR THREE VENUES**

- weddings
- baptisms
- showers
- birthday parties
- graduations
- reunions
- memorial luncheons
- award banquets



**LET US HELP PLAN AN EVENT AS
SPECIAL AND UNIQUE AS YOU**

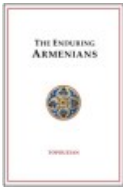
**CONTACT EVENT DIRECTOR
ANUSH TOPAKBASHIAN**

248.286.1055

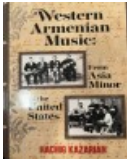
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Visit the Parish Bookstore

The Parish Bookstore is open during Church Office hours and on Sundays after Divine Liturgy



NEW: The Enduring Armenians: A Series of Essays on the Armenian Civilization was published by the Levon Topouzian Book Publication Trust. Multiple scholars and the translators provide an overview of 5000 years of Armenian history, its language, literature, music, and culture, its wars, the Armenian Church, the Genocide, and the Soviet era- in a book of over 700 pages. Alice Nigoghosian, Project Director and Publishing Consultant. SC - \$30.00



NEW, Western Armenian Music: From Asia Minor to the United States By Hachig Kazarian HC \$40.00, SC - \$30.00



NEW, "Zabelle Panosian" (I am the servant of your voice) By Harout Arakelian, Harry Kezelian III, Ian Nagoski Story of the life of Zabelle Panosian, the most popular female classical Armenian singer during the Genocide era who toured the U.S. raising funds for the victims. - \$15.00 (CD included)



NEW, Armenia-The Lone Stone by David Karamian Hardcover coffee table book documenting history of cultural landmarks HC - \$60.00



Lavash—Armenian Recipe Book By Kate Leahy, John Lee, Ara Zada HC - \$25.00



Women's Guild's cookbook: Armenian Cuisine - Preserving Our Heritage, HC - \$25.00



An Armenian Trilogy By Dan Yessian CD/DVD - \$25.00



New: Western Armenian Children's book A little rabbit learns how to stand out in a big family Khigar Nabasdaguh HC - \$17.00 By Michael Pifer

***New items from Armenia just arrived.
Stop by and browse!***

A large variety of Michael Aram pieces are now available

Candles
\$75



White Orchid Cocktail
Napkin Holder
\$75



Noah's Ark Nut Dish
\$130



New Armenian Cross
Ornament, Size 5"x3.5"
\$50



The best selection of Armenian books and CDs plus many gift items: jewelry, Armenian crosses, key chains, cookbooks and many "Made in Armenia" products. Table runners, tablecloths, soccer balls, shawls and scarves from Armenia and much more!

General Information

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Fr. Aren's Mobile: (773) 457-4122 e-mail: FrAren@sjachurch.org

Parish Administrator's Mobile: (586) 817-2974

Visits to the Hospitalized and Homebound Please phone the Church Office when you or someone you love is admitted to the hospital and would like a visit from the Pastor. If you have an upcoming surgery, please consider requesting your name to be included in the "Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized" list. Those who are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home should phone the Church Office.

Home Blessing If you would like the Pastor to visit your home and offer a home blessing, please contact the Church Office.

Baptism Parents may prepare for the baptism of their child before he or she is born. For more information, phone the Church Secretary. We encourage parents to baptize their children between 40 days and 3 months.

Marriage Please make sure to confirm your wedding date with the Pastor before booking your reception hall. Phone the Church Secretary at least nine months in advance of your proposed wedding date.

Parish Membership If you are interested in becoming a member of the St. John parish, please speak to a Parish Council member on Sunday, or phone the Church Office.

Sunday Bulletin Announcements for the Sunday Bulletin are due in the Church Office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday preceding the date of service.

Requiem Requests may be submitted to the Church Office by mail, phone or email to office@sjachurch.org no later than 5:00 p.m. Wednesday preceding the Sunday. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby. Requiem may be offered every Sunday of the year except for the five Tabernacle Feast Days.

Veils In the Armenian Church, it is customary for women and girls to wear head coverings when attending the Divine Liturgy, particularly when partaking in Holy Communion. If you don't possess a veil but desire one, kindly approach a Parish Council member who can assist you in obtaining one.

The Kiss of Peace

The GIVER says: Kreesdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

Christ is revealed amongst us.

*The RECEIVER says: Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.
Blessed is the revelation of Christ.*

*Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ: / Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն
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