

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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Sunday Bulletin

OUR CHURCH AND PARISH IS A PLACE WHERE . . .

All people are welcome . . . **Every member is a minister** . . .

The world is our collective responsibility . . .

Disciple-making is our goal . . . And worship is our duty and delight.

JULY 1, 2012—THE ARMENIAN YEAR 1461

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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GUEST CELEBRANT: REV. FR. TADEOS BARSEGHYAN

THE LORD'S DAY—SCHEDULE OF SUMMER WORSHIP

Morning Service / *Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն*8:30 am

Divine Liturgy / *Ս. Պատարագ*9:30 am

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY TODAY

THIS WEEK: Isaiah 2:5-11, Romans 8:31-10:4, Matthew 13:24-30

NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 31-11, Romans 11:13-24, Matthew 14:13-21

Lector: Sdn. Aram Sarkisian

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 lobby desk. Make certain you sign our Guest Book before you leave so we can be in touch. Enter to worship the Lord Jesus Christ who loves you and depart with His love to serve others.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30

Another parable he put before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers. Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

VARTAVAR—FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 15th

Morning Prayers at 8:30 am Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am

Following *Badarak*...

**Dedication of Renovated ACYOA Youth Room in Veterans Building
Family BBQ hosted by ACYOA Seniors & Juniors—all are invited!**

Altar Flower donations are requested. Please call the church office.

Please note, this is a major feast day.

Therefore, no requiem prayers will be offered.

HOLIDAY CLOSING

St. John's Complex will be closed in observance of

Independence Day

Wednesday, July 4th

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

Rick Apkarian

Edward Harutunian

Jean Merzigian

John Merzigian

Dennis Papazian

Jack Tian

SUMMER DAY CAMP NOW IN SESSION

St. John's Summer Day Camp has begun its second session and will continue through August 17th. Themed activities and field trips make this program fun for children ages 5-12 and they get to know other Armenian children while learning about their heritage. See poster on bulletin board for complete schedule of sessions and registration details.

IN THE COMMUNITY

ARMENIA FEST @ ROYAL OAK FARMERS MARKET

Saturday, July 14th, 5:00-10:00 pm

Featuring Live Armenian Music; Performance by Hamazkayin Dance Ensemble; Armenian Food and Vendors; Art Show for Young Armenian Emerging Artists; Open to the general public; Admission and parking are free (See poster on bulletin board)

St. John's Annual Picnic-Sunday, August 12th

Assumption Day, Blessing of the Grapes

After Church – 12:30 pm

Presenting for the first time...**The Harry Kezelian Band**

Also...Antique Car Show...50/50 Raffle...Pie Baking Contest

Water Games for Kids of All Ages—Dunk Tank, Slip and Slide

(Parents: Bring towels for the kids!)

Bring your tavloo boards and playing cards

Picnic Menu: Chicken, Lamb or Veggie Kabobs, Salad, Pita Bread, Rice or Bulgur Pilaf, Watermelon, Pop / Hot Dogs for the kids

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS HAVE BEGUN AND WILL CONTINUE THRU SEPTEMBER 2ND

Morning Service at 8:30 am

Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am

Requiem Service immediately after Divine Liturgy



**BASHDON HOKEHANKSDYAN—REQUIEM SERVICE
FOR THOSE WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST**

Today, during the Divine Liturgy, we offer our prayers as the community
of St. John's for the souls of the departed servants of Christ.

**HELEN BALTAYAN, 40th Day, Mother, Grandmother,
Great Grandmother, Aunt, Friend**

**NICK BALTAYAN, 19th Year, Father, Grandfather,
Great Grandfather, Uncle, Friend**

Requested by Mike & Dolly Matoian & Family
Jim & Marge Nardell & Family
Harry & Jan Megerian & Family
Dr. Edward & Anna Sarkisian & Family
Frank & Linda Houhanisin & Family
Allan Sarkisian & Family
John, Janet, Ani & John Armen Shekerjian
Thomas, Nancy, Jonathan & Amanda Banks
David Malkasian
Edward, Yvonne, Laura & Christopher Korkoian
Lucy Merzian

VESELIN KESICH

Requested by Fr. Garabed & Yn. Roberta Kochakian

AROSYAK YEGHIAZARIAN, 40th Day, Mother, Grandmother

Requested by Philip, Viva, Carolyn & Celene Philip

KAREN BOYAJIAN, 1st Year, Cousin

Requested by Ardash & Charlene Apigian

HAGOP "JACK" ELOIAN, 11th Year, Husband, Father

YERVANT ELOIAN

DOLLIG ELOIAN

LOUISE ELOIAN

MARY ELOIAN LESCINSKAS

DONALD LESCINSKAS

Requested by Jeannette & Yasmin Eloian

SERPOUHI KEMISH, 21st Year, Mother, Grandmother

RAYMOND KEMISH, 12th Year, Father, Grandfather

ELOIAN FAMILY MEMBERS



REQUIEMS—continued

EDWARD CHAMOURIAN, Husband, Father, Grandfather

Requested by Varsenik Chamourian & Family

DID YOU KNOW?

Often parishioners ask questions about the garments worn by the celebrant of the Divine Liturgy, especially the decorative slippers in various colors. The visible portion on the instep of the foot is floral and woven sometimes with gold thread. When the slippers are removed, where the priest puts the heel of his foot, there are woven images of serpents, snakes and poisonous insects.

The Armenian Church is rich in symbolism and the garments worn by the clergy are no exception. The symbolism of these images springs from the Old Testament Book of Psalms. The reference is from Psalm 91:3 which reads...*You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet.*

The power of God invested in the priest is able to stamp upon and conquer evil which these images portray.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR GRANDMA'S ATTIC RUMMAGE SALE

We need new or gently used clothing, toys and household items to be sold at the Annual Festival. Drop off your donations at the Maintenance Office before September 23rd in a box or bag clearly labeled **GRANDMA'S ATTIC**. It is not possible to have anything picked up from your home. A letter for tax deduction purposes is available from the church office.

Arts of Armenia Adult Classes

Authentic Armenian Dance, Ceramic Arts,
and Miniature Painting Classes

taught by professional teachers from Armenia

Armenian Dance--Friday, July 6, 2012 - \$25

Ceramic Arts--Tuesday, July 10, 2012
(\$35.00 includes materials)

Miniature Painting--Wednesday, July 11, 2012
(\$35.00 includes materials)

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Arts of Armenia For Children Ages 8-16

A premier summer fine arts program
taught by professional teachers from Armenia

Monday, July 9 – Friday, July 13, 2012
9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Advanced registration required. Enrollment
is limited. Specify class when registering.
All classes held at St. John Armenian Church

To register, contact Denise Karakashian
(248 489-4076) or denisekar@hotmail.com

Sponsored by Komitas Choir
St. John Armenian Church

SEEKING USHERS AND GREETERS FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS

If you would like to serve as an usher or a greeter to help the present Usher Corps and Parish Council, it would be our joy to include you on our team. With a community as large as ours and with so many who worship on Sundays, man or woman power to help out in these ministries is needful. Why not consider joining us to help guide our flock find their way to Christ each week in prayer. If you can help, approach any Parish Council member on Sundays, give them your name and let them know you care to help out. It would be our pleasure.

- Pastor and Parish Council

DETROIT MASONIC TEMPLE TOUR SPONSORED BY MEN'S SOCIETY

John Kalajian of the Men's Society of St. John Armenian Church has set up a tour of the Detroit Masonic Temple for Saturday, July 14, 2012. The tour is a family event and children are welcome. The tour will begin at 10 am and last about two hours. There is free parking in the rear of the building off of Second Street. The cost of the tour is a nominal fee of \$5/person which will be donated to the Detroit Masonic Temple Library Fund.

The Masonic Temple is 14 stories tall, has 1037 rooms, has approximately 12 million cubic feet of space, and the main theater stage is the second largest stage in the United States. Besides the seven Craft Lodge Rooms (each having different decorative treatments/styles), there are several ballrooms, a cathedral and a mammoth drill hall comprising 17,500 square feet of open floor space and one of only three "floating floors" to be found in the United States.

If there is a very large request to attend we would try and get a second date made available. RSVP's are required to ensure we have enough tour guides present for our group. Please contact John Kalajian by email jrkalajian@gmail.com, or call Dan Cristiano at 313-291-3194 and he will make sure John is made aware of your request.

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES

If you would like your son or daughter to be included in the *Torchbearer* section on Graduates 2012, please submit information (100 words or less, please) to the church office as soon as possible, or via e-mail to: mkafafian@sjachurch.org. We will not include photos this year due to space limitations.

AT THE PARISH BOOKSTORE

Armenian Dictionary in Transliteration—SC—\$20.00

Blueprint for Genocide by J. F. Paulsen—SC—\$25.00

The Forty Days of Musa Dagh by Franz Werfel—SC \$23.00
New Revised Edition

Hayr Mer Silver & Enamel Charm—\$40.00

Largest mid-west retailer of Armenian books, recordings & gifts.

Something for everyone! Stop by and browse!

Summer Conferences at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary

For 50 years, St. Nersess Seminary has inspired Armenian youth to take pride in their faith and heritage while providing fellowship during Summer Conferences.

Deacons' Training Program: June 25 - July 3 CLOSED

High School Session A: July 6-14—CLOSED

Junior High School Session: July 19-23

High School Session B: July 30 - August 7 CLOSED

Post High-School Session: August 10-17

Visit their website: www.stnersess.edu

Scholarships are available for children of St. John's parishioners.

Please contact Linda Assarian 248.332.0816.

St. John's Lunch Club Launches New Program with Talk on "How to Sleep like a Baby...Again!"

The St. John's Lunch Club is introducing an on-going series of talks and demonstrations on topics that matter to people as we age. The first one will be held on **Tuesday, July 10, 2012 from 11:10-11:30 am at St. John's Rec Center**. Julie Jenkins from Manoogian Manor Assisted Living will be presenting the topic "How to Sleep Like A Baby... Again!"

Getting a good night's sleep is sometimes difficult as we age. But once we understand the keys for sleeping well, we start to sleep like a baby again. This presentation will cover what sleep really is, what causes us to lose sleep and tips for getting a better night's sleep. Join us for this FREE presentation beginning promptly at 11:10 am before the lunch. Please make a reservation with May in the Church office (248-569-3405) for the presentation to ensure that our caterer will have ample food available for those who stay with us for lunch.

And for those of you who are "Early Birds," consider joining the men and women who come to bake on Tuesday mornings from 9:00–11:00 am in the Main Kitchen. Then join the Lunch Club for an informative presentation and lunch. This presentation is open to all.

Other Scheduled Programs for July and August

July 24th	Kids from "Arts of Armenia" Program
August 14th	"Watching Your Step" Fall Prevention
August 28th	"Paws with a Cause"

From Jeremiah's Letter to the Exiles in Babylon

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.

-Jeremiah 29:11-13

SAVE THE DATES . . . MARK YOUR CALENDARS

FALL/WINTER 2012-2013 EVENTS

**September 28, 29 & 30,
ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN FESTIVAL / BAZAAR**

**Sunday, November 4
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

**Friday, November 9
MEN'S SOCIETY WINE TASTING**

**Sunday, November 11
PRIMATE'S VISIT & DEACONS' ORDINATIONS**

**Saturday, November 24
ACYOA NOVEMBER DANCE**

**Saturday, December 8
ST. JOHN'S PARISH COUNCIL & APOSTOLIC SOCIETY
"Celebrate the Season"
SPECIAL GUEST VOCALIST: ONNIK DINKJIAN**

**Sunday, December 16
OAKLAND CHORAL SOCIETY PERFORMS THE MESSIAH**

IN THE COMMUNITY

**Saturday, October 13, 2012
Daughters of Vartan Women's Symposium**

**Saturday, February 2, 2013
KEF TIME KEGHI is coming to Detroit**

Women's Guild News



Festival Baking – Please join us 9 am-noon in St. John's Kitchen. On **Monday, July 2nd we will be making Khalkha.** On **Tuesday, July 3 we will be making Sou**

beoreg. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun. Festival baking continues on Mondays and Tuesdays through the summer months. **Any time you can give is appreciated.** For information contact Dolly Matoian 248-737-9055.

Evening Bake - On Monday evenings, **July 16 and August 20** we will be making **Cheoreg** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for those of you who cannot join the daytime bakes. Please contact Marianne Dardarian 248-661-0617 for information.

Moms and Manooogs – meet for social interaction and fun activities. Our meeting days are flexible and we'd love to have you and your Manooogs join our group. Contact Kristen Gustafson for further information. frissy10@hotmail.com or 248-765-0471.



Tiger Baseball – Join us Sunday August 5th, 1pm. **Contact Joyce Obenhoff today for reservations at 586-754-3984. This is open to WG members, family and friends!**

Purple Rose Theater—August 8th, Women Guild members are reminded to make their reservations by contracting Joyce Obenhoff at 586-754-3984. This is open to WG members, family and friends!

*The Women's Guild invites you to become a member.
For details, call Terry Palaian, 313.929.0926*

WANTED: USED ARMENIAN BOOKS

The Parish Bookstore is accepting donations of gently used books on Armenian subjects written in English for its Used Book Sale at this year's FESTIVAL. Kindly drop off books at the Church Office during business hours or on Sundays.

ON LEAVING THE SANCTUARY AFTER BADARAK

When approaching the Holy Gospel at the end of the Divine Liturgy, you say:

Heeshestzeh Der zamenaym Badarakus koh.

Յիշեցէ Տէր զամենայն Պատարագս քո:

May the Lord remember all your offerings.

The Priest answers:

Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev zamenayn kho-rhoortus koh ee parees na gadarsestseh.

Տացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում եւ զամենայն խորհուրդս քո ի բարիս նա կատարեցէ:

May the Lord grant you according to your own heart, and fulfill all your counsel in goodness. (Psalm 20:4)

When taking *Mahs*, the GIVER says:

Mahs yev pazheen yegheet-see kez ee Soorp Badarakes.

Մաս եւ բաժին եղիցի քեզ ի Սուրբ Պատարագէս:

May this be to you a share and portion of the Holy Sacrifice.

The RECEIVER says
Pahjeen eem Asdvadz haveedyan.

Բաժին իմ Աստուած յաւիտեան:

THE KISS OF PEACE

The GIVER says: Christ is revealed amongst us.

Kreesdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

The RECEIVER says: Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

Orhnyal eh haydootyoonun Kreesdosee.

THE PSALM OF DISMISSAL - PSALM 34

Orhnetseets uzDer hamenayn zham, hamenyn zham orhnootyoon nora ee peran eem.

Օրհնեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ,
օրհնութիւն նորա ի բերան իմ:

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall be at all times in my mouth.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Pastor's Cell: 248.225.9888

Parish Council Chairman's Cell: 248.688.1214

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