

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.

JUNE 24, 2012—THE ARMENIAN YEAR 1461

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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GUEST CELEBRANT: VERY REV. FR. AREN JEBEJIAN

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 1:21-31, Romans 7:25-8:11, Matthew 12:38-45

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

Lector: Sdn. David Aprahamian

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 12:38-45

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to him, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign; but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. The queen of the South will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.

"When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest, but he finds none. Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. Then he goes and brings with him seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. So shall it be also with this evil generation."

CROWN THEM WITH



GLORY AND HONOR

We rejoice in celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Crowning and
have asked Christ our God to bless the marriage of
GEORGANNA ROSE YESSAIAN & STEPHEN ARA MISSIRLIAN

The Sunday Collection / Offertory

As noted previously, the Sunday morning offertory collection will be taken after the Hymn "*Kohanamk*" following Holy Communion and before the final Prayer of St. John Chrysostom, "*Vor Orhnes*"

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

Ernie Brocher
John Merzigian

Edward Harutunian

Jean Merzigian

SUMMER DAY CAMP NOW IN SESSION

St. John's Summer Day Camp will begin its second session tomorrow, and will operate through August 17th. Themed activities and field trips make this program unique. It is a great opportunity for children ages 5-12 to get acquainted with other Armenian children and learn about their heritage. See poster on bulletin board for complete schedule of sessions and registration details.

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

The premier summer arts program for children ages 8-16

July 9 – 13, 2012

Monday – Friday, 9:30 am–3:30 pm

For registration information, contact Denise Karakashian
248.489.4076 or denisekar@hotmail.com

Sponsored by St. John's Komitas Choir

FOR ADULT CLASSES SEE PAGE 6

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN TODAY AND 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.

**MILLIE JINGOZIAN, 40th Day, Wife, Mother, Grandmother,
Cousin, Friend**

Requested by Paul Jingoian
Tungate Family
Messner Family
Minni Family
Karamanian Family
Harry & Alice Terzian
Alex Terzian
Kim & David Najarian & Family
Cathy & Tom Steck & Family
Jerry & Pam Dayinian
Brian & Margaret-Ann Yessian
George & Olivia Andonyan & Family
Edwin Neffian
Isabelle Vahratian
Lillian Karamanian
Sylvia Axt

**ALICE E. JAVIZIAN, 1st Year, In Loving Memory of Wife, Mother,
Grandmother, Sister-in-Law, Sister, Aunt, Friend**

Requested by Simon Javizian
Lynn & William Ring, Kelsi & Dylan
Semon & Suzan Javizian & Alexander
Garry, Patti & Gregory Javizian
Sarah Kaysserian
Kerry & Donna Kaysserian, Mallory & Kevin
Robert & Kiana Rose, Kylie & Michael
Norm & Esther Javezian
Harry Mardirosian
Gladys Krikorian

DR. BRUCE MAC PHERSON

Requested by Agnes & Harry Tokatlian



REQUIEMS—continued

ANDREW KASPER, 19th Year, Husband, Father, Grandfather

Requested by Arick Kasper
Michael & Darleen Kasper
David & Anita Kasper
Lisa & Kevin Rushlow
Andrew, Alison, Ethan, Madison & Kevin III

MARY BESH, Mother, Grandmother

JORDAN BESH, Father, Grandfather

**MARGOS AND MARIAM BESHIRIAN, Grandparents,
Great-Grandparents**

DICKRAN PAPAIZIAN, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather

Requested by Barbara, Richard, Shant & Jordan Norsigian
Sylvia & Lisa Aglamishian
Dr. Jordan Besh

ARAM NORSIGIAN, 30th year, Father, Grandfather,

ZAROOHY NORSIGIAN, Mother, Grandmother,

**SOGHOMON AND ARSHALOUYS NORSIGIAN, Grandparents,
Great-Grandparents**

SIRMA NORSIGIAN, Aunt

ZABELLE NORSIGIAN, Aunt

HAGOPJAN NORSIGIAN, Uncle

HOVHANNES NORSIGIAN, Uncle

MOUSHEGH AND ARSHALOUYS SHAMALIAN, Friends

Requested by Richard, Barbara, Shant & Jordan Norsigian

KASPER TOKATLIAN, In Loving Memory on his 48th Birthday

Son, Wife, Father, Brother, Brother-in-law, Nephew

Requested by Harry & Agnes Tokatlian; Liz Tokatlian
Jacob, Justin & Julia Tokatlian
George Tokatlian
Mia Tokatlian
Chris & Conner Pullen

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

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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

Flavors with History —SC—\$25.00

Beautifully illustrated cookbook with Armenian regional recipes

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

Hayr Mer Silver & Enamel Charm—\$40.00

Something for everyone! Stop by and browse!

Summer Conferences at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary

For 50 years, St. Nersess has inspired Armenian youth to take pride in their faith and heritage while providing an enjoyable atmosphere 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

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 Senior
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 Ma-noogian 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.

IN THE COMMUNITY

**ARMENIA FEST @ ROYAL OAK FARMERS MARKET
Saturday, July 14, 2012, 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 FULLER HOUSING TEAM IN ARMENIA

Our Fuller team is working in Areni village, Vayots Dzor. The Manoukian family of six has ALREADY moved from their *domik* into their new house. The bathroom is ready with flushing toilet. When little Haig took a hot shower in the bathroom, his mother told us, "We could not take him out of the bathroom as he enjoyed it so much." God bless our team members Jackie and Raffi El Chemmas, Sandra Jamian, Michelle Ducato, Anita Boyadjian, Susan Reizian, Rose Zatarian Babayan, Ann Zatarian, Vigen, Rosemary, Mara, and Talin Darian. We keep them in prayer here at St. John's that they will have a truly rewarding experience, helping build a home to help build lives in Armenia.

SAVE THE DATES . . . MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<p>Sunday, August 12, 2012 ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL PICNIC</p>

September 28, 29 & 30, 2012
ST. JOHNS ARMENIAN FESTIVAL / BAZAAR

Saturday, October 13, 2012
DAUGHTERS OF VARTAN WOMEN'S SYMPOSIUM

Sunday, November 4, 2012
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AT ST. JOHN'S

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

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

Festival Baking Please join us beginning at 9 am in St. John's kitchen. Final ***Kufteh*** forming will be on Monday, June 25th and Tuesday, June 26th. Everyone is welcome to join the fun. Any time you can give is appreciated. For information contact Dolly Matoian 248-737-9055.

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

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

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

KEF KLUB'S TALENT SHOW

Friday, July 20, 2012

sponsored by St. John's Komitas Choir

Special Feature: "A Children's Talent Show" for ages 6—17

Interested participants, please contact

Marianne Dardarian 248-661-0617 by June 30th

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.

Saturday, December 8, 2012

ST. JOHN'S PARISH COUNCIL & APOSTOLIC SOCIETY

"Celebrate the Season"

SPECIAL GUEST VOCALIST: ONNIG DINKJIAN

Watch for details!

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

Administrator's Cell: 248.880.8391