St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community: The Reverend Father Diran Papazian, *Pastor Emeritus* The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Deacon Rubik Mailian, *Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant*Ms. Margaret Lafian, *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 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.

October 4, 2015

The Armenian Church Year 1464
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service / Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն...9:00 am

Divine Liturgy / U. Nuunupuq9:45 am

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Isaiah 17:7-14 Corinthians 13:5-14 Mark 11:27-33

Lector: Yvonne Korkoian

Our Church and Parish is a place where . . .

- ♦ All people are welcome
- Every person is a minister
- ♦ The world is our collective responsibility
- Disciple making is our goal, and
- Worship is our duty and delight

General Information

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am—5:00 pm Pastor's Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30 am—5:00 pm

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Pastor's Cell: 248.225.9888 Administrator's Cell: 760.832.1142

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 be included in the "Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized." 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.

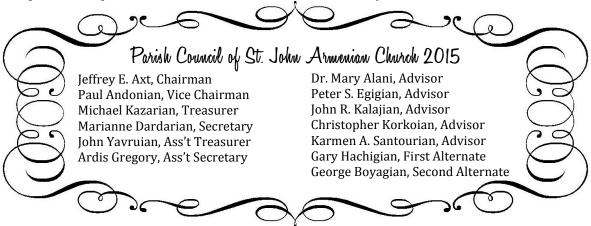
Baptism Parents may prepare for the baptism of their child before he or she is born. For more information, phone the Church Secretary.

Marriage Phone the Church Secretary at least nine months in advance of your proposed wedding date. Wedding packets are available at the Church Office.

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 pm on Wednesday preceding the date of service.

Requiem Requests may be submitted to the Church Office by mail, phone, fax 248.569.0716, or email to *office@sjachurch.org* no later than 5:00 pm Wednesday preceding the Sunday. requested. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby.



Today's Gospel

And they came again to Jerusalem. And as he was walking in the temple, the chief priests and the scribes and the elders came to him, and they said to him, "By what authority are you doing these things, or who gave you this authority to do them?" Jesus said to them, "I will ask you a question; answer me; and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men? Answer me." And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But shall we say, 'From men?" - they were afraid of the people, for all held that John was a real prophet. So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

Capuchin Soup Kitchen Mission

The Men's Society is asking for used fall and winter men's coat collection to benefit the needy at Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Sport coats and suites also accepted. Drop off your coats at the church kitchen entrance on the clothes rack or bring them to the Veteran's Building this week! Please include your name and that it's for the Capuchin Kitchen. For information about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen go to www.cskdetroit.org.

New Artwork on Our Campus

A beautifully framed serigraph with 22 karat gold embellishment entitled "My Madonna" by renowned artist Martiros Manoukian was recently donated to the Alex & Marie Manoogian Museum by Gary & Evelyn Smith of Florida in memory of Sarah V. Arakelian.

The artwork is presently on display in the corridor of the cultural building.



Armenian American Veterans of Greater Detroit

Honoring all men and women who have served and are serving our Armed Forces Celebrating 70 years of service to our nation and community

> Honor Guard - Dinner - Music and Dancing The Nigosian Band featuring Hachig Kazarian Margaret Lafian - Saluting America and the Armed Forces

Saturday, November 14, 2015, 6 pm St. John Armenian Church

Dinner tickets: \$40 and cash bar For reservations please call Edward and Yvonne Korkoian at 248.254.3029

We will have a wall of honor for our veterans. If you would like to participate, send a photo, branch of service, rank, and period of service. Please send all information to Gloria Korkoian, 100 S. York Street, Dearborn, MI 48124

Day by Day Bible Study

Wednesday, October 21st Wednesday, November 18th Wednesday, December 30rd

12:00 — 2:00 pm

Visit the Parish Bookstore

Genocide T-Shirts with "Forget-Me-Not" emblem and map on back — \$20.00 Armenian Alphabet Wooden Puzzle — \$35.00 The best selection of Armenian books and CDs plus many gift items: jewelry, Armenian crosses, key chains, cookbooks and many "Made in Armenia" products.

NEW:

The Armenian Apostolic Church in Recent Times — \$20.00

Defending the Faith — \$20.00

The Lenten Journey...A Walk With God — \$10.00

The Armenian Genocide and Problems of Evil — \$20.00

Water as a Sign of Rebirth in the Armenian Church — \$20.00

The History of Armenian Monasticism and the Rank of Vartabeds — \$20.00

New Items From Armenia
Variety of "FORGET-ME-NOT" pins, charms, stickers and silver jewelry.



Women's Guild News

A BIG thank you to all the Guild members and friends of the Guild that helped make our Festival a huge success!

Honoring our Past, Celebrating our Future - St. John Armenian Church Women's Guild Presents "The Armenian Heritage Collection", Saturday October 17th, 2015.

Reservations are \$55.00.

Mail your check to: Marilyn Sarkesian 2338 Heronwood Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

To underwrite costs or sponsor to make this event a success, please call Barbara Haroutunian, 248.661.0026.

Knitting Group: Please contact Linda Assarian at 248.332.0816 or *linda.assarian@gmail.com* for more details.

Take the opportunity to make new and lasting friendship while doing service for the Lord.

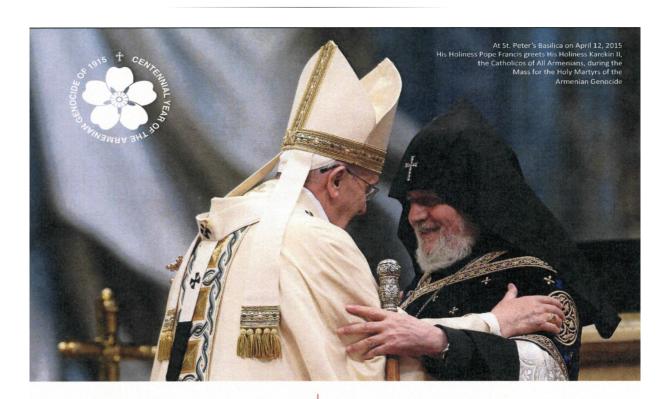
The Women's Guild invites you to become a member. For information please call Belinda Kabodian, 248.767.3689

Thank You, Festival Volunteers!

We couldn't have done it without you...

The money we raised will go to fund necessities for our church in order to enhance the spiritual and cultural life of our parishioners - both young and adult.

Our success is directly attributable to you and to our loyal sponsors.



With gratitude and friendship, the clergy and faithful of the Armenian Church of America welcome HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

We will never forget your profound words of RECOGNITION, SUPPORT, and SOLIDARITY offered during this solemn year marking the centennial of the Armenian Genocide of 1915

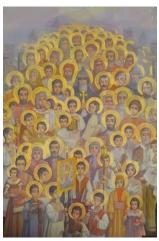
His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern)

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Our New Pastor Will Consecrate the New Icon of the Holy Martyrs of 1915

Sunday, November 8th



We have received a copy of the new Icon of the Sainted Holy Martyrs of 1915, the original of which was consecrated in Holy Etchmiadzin on April 23, 2015. By order of His Holiness and our Diocesan Primate, it should be placed in a special location in our sanctuaries.

In our sanctuary it will be placed on the wall above the Shrine of the Martyrs where the blessed relics of the Martyrs for Der Zor have been placed.

Sunday, November 8th, following the Divine Liturgy, our new pastor Father Aren Jebejian will consecrate this Icon with Holy Muron marking it with the sign of the Holy Cross thus designating this sacred image to be venerated by the faithful.

Following *Badarak* on that Sunday a special video will be shared with our faithful at the fellowship hour.

Reservations are Filling Up - Save the Date!

Save the date of October 25, 2015, for Father Garabed's Retirement Banquet.

It will be held following his last *Badarak*. The planning committee is looking for photos with Father Garabed performing a sacrament (either a baptism or wedding). If you wish to contribute photos, please label pictures with a name, year, and optional caption, and drop them off at the church front office or email digital copies to Dikran Callan at *dikrancallan@yahoo.com*.

Tickets for adults are \$25.00. Children 12 and under are \$10.00. To make reservations for the banquet, please contact Isabelle Vahratian at 248.890.2185 or make checks payable to St. John Armenian Church and mail them to Isabelle directly at:

28535 Quail Hollow Rd Farmington Hills, MI 48331

Honoring our Past Celebrating our Triture



St. John Armenian Church Women's Guild Presents

The Armenian Heritage Collection

A legendary collection of Armenian Dress from the 13th through the 19th Centuries

Dinner, Program and Cocktails Saturday, October 17, 2015

At 6:30 p.m.

St. John Armenian Church Cultural Hall Southfield, Michigan Reservations@\$55.00 Kindly Respond by September 30th

Make Checks Payable to: St. John Women's Guild Marilyn Sarkesian 2338 Heronwood Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 Please list the names of those individuals with whom you wish to be seated

For questions contact Marilyn at 248.322.6570

A Special Tekeyan "Soccer" Movie Night

presented in collaboration with the

Cultural Society of Armenians from Istanbul (CSAI)

Mkhitaryan and Christiano Renaldo.

"Armenian Footballer of the Year" five times.



Henrik Mkhitaryan



Christiano Ronaldo

helped Portugal reach the final. He took over captaincy in July 2008. and he led Portugal to the semi-finals at Euro 2012, finishing the competition as joint-top scorer in the process. In November 2014, Ronaldo became the all-time top scorer in the UEFA European Championship (including qualifying) with 23 goals.

for the use of Ultimate Soccer Arenas



Refreshments are available and can be purchased in the first floor Arena Grill & Café and can be brought into our meeting room.

Wine and Spirits also available on second level. We would like to extend special thanks to George Derderian, Jr.,

Join us at Michigan's premier indoor soccer arena, Ultimate Soccer, to enjoy and be inspired by the stories of two great atheletes; Henrikh

First, enjoy a short film on highlights from the career of professional Armenian footballer Henrikh Mkhitaryan-Armenia's all time top goal scorer since his debut in January 2007. He has been chosen

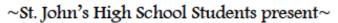
Then we will screen a documentary "The World at his Feet" on soccer player Christiano Ronaldo who made his international debut for Portugal in August 2003, at the age of 18. He has since been capped over 100 times and has participated in 6 major tournaments: three UEFA European Championships (2004, 2008 and 2012) and

three FIFA World Cups (2006, 2010 and 2014). Ronaldo is the first Portuguese player to reach 50 international goals, making him Portugal's top goal-scorer of all time as well as the country's top scorer in the European Championship with 6 goals. He scored his first international goal in the opening game of Euro 2004 against Greece, and

> Open to the public—\$5/person Friday, November 13—doors open 7 pm Movie begins at 7:30 pm sharp at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas 867 South Boulevard., Pontiac MI 48341 (248) 648-7000

follow the signs at main entrance to conference room for more information call Hagop at (248) 302-7576







Charity Basketball Game

Parents & Staff vs. High School Students

Sunday, October 11th at 1:00pm

\$10 per player

\$5 donation for admission

Where: St. John's Recreation Center Gym

Please come support us! All are welcome!

To register as a player, RSVP by Tuesday, Oct 6th

to: Mrs. Carol Palaian at cpalaian@yahoo.com

Concessions will be available 50/50 Raffle will take place at half time

*All money raised will help fund the Sunday Schools' High School students
Operation Christmas Child project (www.Samaritanspurse.org)

Congratulations to the new ACYOA Seniors Executive Body elected recently!

Chairman Anahid Movsesyan

Vice Chairman Linda Kalfayan

Treasurer Sevan Mirsirliyan

Secretary Alexandra Hachigian

Advisor Harry Kezelian III

The Holy Eucharist in the *Apologia* of Saint Justin the Martyrs

And on the day which is called Sunday, all who live in the cities or in the country gather together in one place and the memoirs of the Apostles and the writings of the Prophets are read as long as time permits.

Then the Reader concludes, and the president verbally instructs and exhorts us to the imitation of these excellent things, then we all rise together and offer up our prayers and thanksgivings according to his ability and the people give their assent by saying *Amen*;

And, there is distribution and a partaking of the Eucharist by everyone, and for those who are absent; a portion is brought by the Deacons. And those who are well to do and willing give as they choose, each as he himself purposes.

The collection is then deposited with president who supports orphans, widows, those who are in want owing to sickness and any other cause, those who are in prison and strangers who are on a journey and in a word, takes care of all who are in need.

But Sunday is the THE day on which we hold our common assembly because it is the first day on which God, when He changed darkness and matter, made the world, and Jesus Christ our Saviour on the same day rose from the dead.

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.

Յիշեսցէ Տէր զամենայն Պատարագս քո։

May the Lord remember all your offerings.

The Priest answers:

Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev zamenayn khorhoortus koh ee parees na gadarestseh.

Sացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում եւ զամենայն խորհուրդս քո ի բարիս նա կատարեսցէ։

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 yegheetseen kez ee Soorp Badarakes.

Մաս եւ բաժին եղիցին 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։

My portion is God forever.

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 haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ։ / Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի։

The Psalm of Dismissal-Psalm 34

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

Oրհնեցից 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.