

## HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH OF GREATER BOSTON

Pastor, Father Vasken A. Kouzouian

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**SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019**

Celebrant/Homilist: The Pastor

Morning Service: 9:15 a.m.; Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

Readings of the Day:

Acts 20:17- 28. 1 Jn. 3:2- 6. Jn. 9:39- 10:10.

### **A Prayer for Memorial Day**

Lord God of Hosts in whom our fathers trusted, we give You thanks for those servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our country. We ask that through Your presence, unite all the people of this nation in a holy purpose to defend the freedom and brotherhood for which our valiant soldiers, marines, sailors and airmen lived and died.

Grant that the liberty they bequeathed unto us may be continued to our children and our children's children, and that the power of the Holy Gospel may here abound to the blessing of all nations of this earth and to Thy eternal glory through Jesus Christ Your Son and Our Lord. Amen.

### **WELCOME**

We welcome those who are visiting our Church. The Pastor and the Parish Council would like to invite you to make the Holy Trinity Church your spiritual home. You are cordially invited to take part in the Service and activities of our Church. If you would like to be placed on our mailing list, please sign our *Guest Book* located in the Vestibule.

### **BIBLE READING**

Today's Bible reading is from the Book of Acts, chapter 1, vs. 4-12, [page 684] and will be read by Sonia Tashjian.

### **FEAST DAYS**

- Thursday, May 30, is the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **From Today's Bible Reading**

**John 9:39-10:10** Jesus describes Himself as the Gate through which His sheep pass, following the voice of the One they know. Whoever enters by this Gate, will "find pasture....and be saved."(v. 9) *Reflection: Jesus describing Himself as the Gate is one of the famous "I am's" of the Gospel of John, in*

*which Jesus provides a number of images which express His character. In verse 11, He is "the good shepherd." What do the images of "gate" and "good shepherd" tell you about Jesus? Do you hear Jesus' voice among the many that vie for your attention....and how do you respond?*

**Acts 20:17-38** St. Paul touches the hearts of the church elders in Ephesus with his eloquent farewell. Predicting an uncertain fate, Paul declares his life meaningless save for the task of witnessing to God's power and grace. He asks these leaders to be good shepherds to their flock, as "wolves" will surely be on the prowl. He exhorts them to always work hard for the less fortunate. *Reflection: These verses exude tenderness and compassion, a marked change for St. Paul, the hard-driving missionary. Does your preoccupation with your ministry tasks become an obstacle to loving others?*

**I John 3:2-6** John relates that Christians are not fully who they will become with God's grace. And yet only those who truly know Christ can come close to living a life without sin. If we continue to sin, how can we say we know Jesus? *Reflection: In what ways do you "keep on sinning" (v. 6)? According to the epistle writer, what does this say about your relationship with Jesus?*

### **Thursday, May 30, is the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus**

In Acts 1:1-11, we read a full account of Jesus' ascension (see Mark 16:19 and Luke 24:50-51 as well). After having appeared to the disciples frequently during a forty-day period, Jesus told them to stay in Jerusalem and wait for the gift He had promised: the Holy Spirit (who would come upon them as tongues of fire at Pentecost and empower them to preach throughout the world). When asked by His devoted followers when He would return to "restore the kingdom to Israel" (still thinking of an earthly one), Jesus told them it was not known, but that they would continue to witness to Him "in Jerusalem... and to the ends of the earth." He was then taken up before their eyes. Two angelic figures appeared nearby as they watched their Lord disappear into the clouds. They assured the disciples that He would indeed return in the very same way. *How do you bear witness in the world to your fellowship with Jesus?*

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### **PARTICIPATION IN THE DIVINE LITURGY**

Please use the Divine Liturgy books that are found in the pew racks. These books contain the Armenian text as well as the English transliteration and translation in the second section.

For your convenience, the applicable page number in the burgundy Divine Liturgy book is located above both the right and left doors by the Altar leading to the Vestry and Baptistry. When the light shows green, the congregation stands; when the light shows red, the congregation kneels; and when green and red lights are off, you may be seated. If assistance is needed, please ask a member of the Parish Council.

Parishioners are also encouraged to sing with the Choir, whose real purpose is to lead the congregation in singing the hymns. Also join in the recitation of the Creed which is found on pages 18 and 19 of the second section.

### **VOGHCHOOYN - KISS OF PEACE**

During the Divine Liturgy, when the Parish Council members pass the Kiss of Peace in Church, the response from the receiver should be “Orhnyal eh haidnootyunn Krisdosee” (Blessed is the revelation of Christ). When you give the Voghchooyn, please say “Krisdos e mech mer haydnetsav” (Christ is revealed amongst us).

### **CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION**

Those faithful who feel spiritually prepared to receive our Lord in the sacrament of Holy Communion are asked **to bring their pew books with them to the General Confession and, together with the deacon, are asked to read the confession aloud.** The essence to this sacrament lies with the individual(s) offering his or her own confession through the priest to God. In addition to reading the text of the confession, each participant must recall his or her own sins, truly seek God’s forgiveness, and make a commitment to the Lord to strive not to sin anymore. The English confession may be found on page 48 in the burgundy Divine Liturgy book and on page x in the blue Divine Liturgy book found in the pew racks. We urge our parishioners to come forward for confession and Holy Communion through the center aisle.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Your prayers are requested to have mercy on our countrymen in Artsakh, to strengthen them in defense of their homeland, and to grant consolation to the suffering and grieving. Your prayers are also requested for Queenie Samourian; for the good health of all those who suffer from illness in their own private way; and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

**Please note** that if you would like Fr. Vasken to offer your prayer request during his silent prayers at the celebration of the Divine Liturgy next Sunday, please fill out the **Prayer Request card** located in the pew box and place it in the offering plate as it passes.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's Altar flowers are donated for the glory of God on the occasion of Memorial Day from:

- Donated in Memory of the Very Reverend Father Hampartzoum Keshishian (Jerusalem) by his Sister, Hermine Sislian and Nieces, Caroline and Aline
- Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust in memory of Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Levon, Louise Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian

### **REQUIEM SERVICE**

We have all been asked to pray during the Divine Liturgy for the souls of:

- **Very Rev. Fr. Hampartzoum Keshishian (Jerusalem):** requested by Hermine Sislian, Caroline and Aline for brother and uncle
- **Aram Hintlian:** requested by Cynthia & Richard Kazanjian, Aram Jr. & Becky Hintlian, Nancy Hintlian, Rick Kazanjian, Andrea & Neil Krikorian, Jeff & Adrienne Hintlian, Elissa & Scott Robertson, Ali & Tori Hintlian, Vaughan & Cole Krikorian, Elle Robertson and Aurora Hintlian for father, grandfather and great-grandfather
- **Stephen & Nevart Pauline Azarian:** From the Trust Fund established by Major Robert Zaven Zartarian
- **George, Takoohi, Vahan, Sooren & Mary Daniels:** From the Trust Fund established by Sooren & Mary Daniels
- **Mardiros Kasabian, Khanum (Bohigian) Harrison, Genevieve (Jean) Harrison, Victoria (Harrison) Davidian, Rose Harrison, and Harry Harrison:** From the Trust Fund established by Rose and Elise Harrison
- **Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Levon, Louise Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian:** From the Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust Fund

### **TODAY'S CALENDAR**

#### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

You are all invited to join us in Johnson Hall following Church Services for Fellowship Hour, hosted today by the Trinity Men's Union.

### **FIRST WEDNESDAYS . . . A Breath of God**

Fr. Vasken invites you to join him for the second year of this well-received program. The last session will be held the first Wednesday of June, June 5, from 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., in Johnson Hall. June's theme will be "Idolatry: Making God in Our Image." Our Christian faith has much to say about the issues we all deal with every day in the modern world. Join us as we look at many of these issues from the lens of our time-tested faith.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GRADUATES, CLASS OF 2019**

The Pastor and Parish Council of Holy Trinity Armenian Church congratulate all graduates of the Class of 2019. If you know of any Holy Trinity parishioners graduating from high school, college or graduate school, please ask him/her to send a photograph and short bio (student's and parents' names, school, special achievements and honors, future plans, etc.) to the Church Office ([office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org)) so that we can include it in the next issue of Dajar and share the news of this accomplishment with our entire Church family.

### **LOSH SUMMER STOCK-UP SALE**

Holy Trinity is offering pre-made uncooked frozen losh kebab for sale beginning May 24. The Losh will be sold in packages of 6 for \$18. To place an order please call the Church office at (617) 354- 0632 or email [office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org).

### **FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY 1000 CLUB SPRING DINNER/DRAWING**

You don't have to be a member of the 1000 Club to join us at the Annual Spring Dinner/Drawing of the Friends of Holy Trinity 1000 Club on Thursday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m., in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall. Come join us; everyone invited; bring your entire family for a delicious losh kebab and pilaf dinner for only \$9.99. Five "one-time" numbers will be sold for \$20 - save \$5. Five additional cash prizes will be awarded. Dinner tickets on sale at the door.

### **GREGORY HINTLIAN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

This year's tournament will be held on Monday, June 17, at Marlborough Country Club. The Committee is asking for your support by joining us for golf and/or as a sponsor, and everyone is invited for dinner and a fun, social evening. Registration forms have been mailed.

### **2019 TRINITY KIDS' PLACE**

Monday, August 5 to Friday, August 9

Monday, August 12 to Friday, August 16

Children, ages 3 through 9, can attend either one week or the full two weeks. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$150 per child for one week and \$250 for two weeks. An extended day option (1:30 p.m. until 3 p.m.) is available for \$10 per day per child. This year's theme is "Heroes of Faith". Daily activities include story time, visit with Der Vasken, musical expression, Armenian language and culture; arts and crafts corner, and recreation. RSVP deadline is July 15. The number of participants per week is limited to 20. Please note that week 1 is based on demand. Questions may be directed to Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, Director, at [youth@htaac.org](mailto:youth@htaac.org). Brochures with application form are available in the Vestibule or online.

### **ST. VARTAN CAMP DATES ANNOUNCED**

The St. Vartan summer program dates for campers, ages 8-15; CITs, ages 16 and 17; and staff, ages 18+, have been announced:

- Staff Training, Wednesday, June 26- Saturday, June 29
- Session A, Sunday, June 30 Saturday, July 13
- Session B, Sunday, July 14 Saturday, July 27
- Session C, Sunday, July 28- Saturday, August 10

\*One week session are also available\*

Online registration and credit card payment are available at [www.diocesansummercamps.org/st-vartancamp/registration-2/](http://www.diocesansummercamps.org/st-vartancamp/registration-2/). For further information, please contact Kathryn Ashbahian [kathryna@armeniandiocese.org](mailto:kathryna@armeniandiocese.org)

### **ST. NERSESS SUMMER CONFERENCES**

Held at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in Armonk, NY, participants will explore their faith and heritage in a safe, fun and unique environment.

- Adult Conference \*NEW\*, June 6 to June 9, 2019
- Deacons' Training Program, June 28 to July 7
- High School Conference, July 26 to August 4
- College Winter Conference, January 2 to January 6, 2020

For more information, go to <https://www.stnersess.edu>.

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### For Your Information

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- We have available personal receivers for the hearing impaired that will enhance your hearing ability during the Badarak and sermon. For assistance, please see a Parish Council member in the Vestibule.
- A Reminder - to access our handicap Church entrance, follow the Dorian walkway from either the parking lot or to the right of the main doors of the church.
- If you know of someone ill or in need of a visit from our Pastor, please contact the Church Office, 617.354.0632 or by email, [office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org).
- There are copies of The Little Golden Bible Storybook, When I Go to Church, and Bible story picture books available in the Vestibule for the youngest members of our congregation to quietly enjoy during Church Services. We kindly ask that you return them to the Vestibule at the conclusion of Church Services.

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### Community News

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- Armenia Service Program, June 26 to July 17, 2019 for young adults; \$2,950; For more information, go to [www.acyoa.org/asp](http://www.acyoa.org/asp). Questions should be directed to Jennifer Morris, Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, [jenniferm@armeniandiocese.org](mailto:jenniferm@armeniandiocese.org) or at 248.648.0702.

Take time to look through our website ([www.htaac.org](http://www.htaac.org)) where you can also find Der Vasken's sermons, the Sunday Bulletins, copies of Dajar, and the Church calendar which keeps us abreast of upcoming activities and programs

Follow us at [www.htaac.org](http://www.htaac.org),  
[www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch](https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch)

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### **Մեծագոյն Պոպոնի**

Տ. Վապգէն Բհնյ. Գուպուեան, Հոգեւոր Հովիւ

**Կիրակի, Մայիս 26, 2019**

Պաշտամունքի ժամերն են՝

Ժամերգութիւն՝ 9:15 – 10:00: Պատարագ՝ 10:00 – 12:00:

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Անոնք որոնք հոգեպէս պատրաստ են Ս. Հաղորդութիւն ստանալու, հաւաքական Խոստովանանքի կը հրաւիրուին Ս. Հաղորդութենէն առաջ: Խոստովանանքի եւ Հաղորդութեան համար հաճեցէք գործածել մէջտեղի-ատենի-մուտքը:

### **ՏՕՆԱԿԱՆՔ**

- Այսօր, Վեցերորդ Կիրակի Յինանց է:
- Վաղը, Ամերիկեան Մեռելոց Օր է:
- Յաջորդ Հինգշաբթի օր, Տօն է՝ Համբարձման մեր Տիրոջ Յիսուս Բրիստոսի:
- Յաջորդ Կիրակի, Երկրորդ Ծաղկազարդն է:

### **ՀՈԳԵՀԱՆԳԻՍՏ**

Յաւարտ Ս. պատարագի հոգեհանգստեան պաշտօն պիտի կատարուի հետեւեալ ննջեցելոց հոգիներուն համար, խնդրանք իրենց ընտանեկան պարագաներուն, ազգականներու եւ բարեկամներու.-  
Անուանացանկը տեսնել թերթիս Անգլերէնի բաժնին մէջ:

### **ԱՂՕԹՔԻ ԽՆԴՐԱՆՔ**

Ձեր աղօթքները կը խնդրուի ճան Գէֆէյեանի, և Գօհար Սամուրեանի առողջութեան համար:

### **ՀԻԻՐԱՄԵԾԱՐՈՒԹԻՒՆ**

Այսօրուան հիւրամեծարութեան հիւրընկալներն են՝ Եկեղեցւոյս Արանց Կազմակերպութիւնը: Հիւրամեծարութիւնը տեղի պիտի ունենայ ճանսն սրահին մէջ: Սիրով կը հրաւիրուիք ներկայ ըլլալու:

### **ԴՊՐՈՑՆԵՐՈՒ ԺԱՄԵՐ**

Եկեղեցւոյս Հայ եւ Կիրակնօրեայ Վրժ.ները վերաբացուած են:

ՀԱՅ ՎՐԺ.ի դասաւանդութիւնները տեղի կ'ունենայ ամէն Կիր. առաւօտեան ժամը 9:30-էն 10:30:

ԿԻՐԱԿՆՕՐԵԱՅ ՎՐԺ.ի դասաւանդութիւնը տեղի կ'ունենայ ամէն Կիր. առաւօտեան ժամը 10:30-էն 12:00:

### **ՏՆՏԵՍՈՒԹԵԱՆ ԾՐԱԳԻՐ**

2019 ամեակի “Տնտեսութեան Ծրագրի” --Սթիւըրտշիր բրօկրամ-ի համար, նամակներ եւ բլէճի գարդեր դրկած ենք մեր բոլոր ծխականներուն:

Կը խնդրենք որ գարդերը լեցնէք եւ եկեղեցի դրկէք:

## HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

- Mon, May 27**                    **Memorial Day- Church Office Closed**
- Thurs, May 30**                **Friends of Holy Trinity 1000 Club  
Spring Dinner and Drawing;** Charles &  
Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 6:30pm
- Tues, June 4**                 **Parish Council Meeting;** Johnson Hall,  
6:45pm
- Sun, June 9**                 **Year- End Sunday School and Armenian  
School Closing Day and Special Awards  
Ceremony followed by the Gregory Archie  
and Rose Kolligian Sunday/Armenian School  
Year-End Cookout** donated by Gregory A.  
Kolligian, Jr. in memory of his parents
- Sun, June 16**                **Father's Day Service and Annual Requiem**
- Mon, June 17**               **Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf  
Tournament;** Marlborough Country Club
- Aug 5- 9**                     **Trinity Kids' Place**
- Aug 12- 16**                 **Trinity Kids' Place**

*Holy Trinity Armenian Church's 3<sup>rd</sup> Pilgrimage to the Holy Land- July 2-13, 2019*  
*Led by Fr. Vasken Kouzouian, Pastor*  
For more information, contact: [office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org) or 617-354-0632

### STEWARDSHIP 2019

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**The Stewardship 2019 program is underway. We ask that if you consider Holy Trinity Armenian Church - Your Church - please take a few minutes to fill out the pledge card and return it to the Church office. We depend on and thank you for your participation.**