

HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF GREATER BOSTON  
*Fr. Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor*

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## ***DER VASKEN'S PASTORAL JOURNEY***

***JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE  
20TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF OUR PASTOR'S ORDINATION  
TO THE HOLY ORDER OF PRIESTHOOD***

***AND THE 53RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF OUR CHURCH***

***SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2014***

***DIVINE LITURGY AND ORDINATION OF FIVE SUB-DEACONS***

***10:00 A.M.***

***HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE  
DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA (EASTERN)  
PRESIDING***



***FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICES,  
WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE CELEBRATION  
CHARLES AND NEVART TALANIAN CULTURAL HALL***

***DINNER DONATION \$40***

***AGES 10-21 \$20***

***BABYSITTING AVAILABLE (INCLUDES LUNCH), AGES 3-9 \$5***

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***IT IS FR. VASKEN'S WISH THAT ANY GIFT MADE ON THIS OCCASION  
BENEFIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A YOUTH CENTER  
AT HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH***

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## FROM OUR PASTOR

The following is the sermon offered by Fr. Vasken on July 13.

A little over a week ago, my family and I were on vacation. We took some family time and enjoyed ourselves. And we visited places and experienced island cultures we only heard of but never had the chance to visit. And one day we were waiting for our tour to begin—a tour that would take us to the remote parts of that beautiful land - and truthfully, we were all thrilled for everything that we saw and did on that island.

But at the end of the day, one image kept coming back to my mind. It was the image of another group of tourists from earlier in the day, who were waiting, as we waited, for their tour to begin. This group was very similar to ours, but at the same time very different. Their tour was experienced in complete silence. Their tour was arranged for people who could not hear a sound. I never saw that tour group again, but I would have loved to learn their impressions of the island.

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In today's Gospel reading, Jesus makes contact with a world that is alien to most of us. He connects with the world of the hearing impaired. He enters the world of a deaf man who was all but forgotten by society. It's difficult for us to imagine that silent world - to not being able to hear what's going on, not being able to hear anyone approach you, unable to discern the sounds around us, not being able to communicate with ease.

Notice how carefully Our Lord treats this man. Because this man couldn't hear Jesus' Words, He approaches the man differently. He touches him; He touches the man's ears and the man could hear and he could speak for the first time in his life. With that one touch, this man's life had changed forever. It was a touching moment in Christ's ministry.

Today we try to mainstream people who cannot see, hear or speak. We make provisions to help them be an active part of society. But that wasn't the case in biblical times. People, who were blind, deaf or unable to speak, were pretty much on their own and on the outer edges of society. In those days there were no charitable foundations, no telethons, no organized charities, no Medicare, no lobbyists, no charitable deductions and no rehabilitation programs of any sort.

So if that was the case back then, why did St. Mark include this event in his Gospel? I think the answer lies in another question: Did Jesus come only to restore physical vision or to mend hearing problems or to enable people to speak again - or is it deeper than that?

- Can we, who see with our eyes, still somehow be blind?
- Can we, who speak with our lips, still fail to communicate what counts?
- Can we, who hear with our ears, still be deaf in some important ways?

We all know that we live in a world that judges people by their looks and by their image. We are drawn to beautiful people, to the movers and shakers, and we dismiss others too easily.

The reading today reminds us that we need the gifts of sight, of hearing and of speech to see as Christ sees, to hear as He hears and to speak as He speaks. Jesus calls us to look beneath appearances and see the image of God inside every human being and to look past the clothes and skin color to see the person within.

Every individual has value and worth in the eyes of God. Can we see in others what Jesus sees? That's a question for each of us.

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what Jesus sees?**

- We need the Gift of Hearing - not just to hear but to listen.
- We need the Gift of Speech - not to tear people down but to build them up.
- We need the Gift of Speech - to speak the truth about the sanctity of human life - both for the unborn, and for people of nations so poor or so ravaged by war that they don't even know how to ask for help any longer.

St. Mark remembered this event in the life of Christ to show us that Jesus can heal not only that deaf man back then, but that He can heal us today as well. Think about it. Ours is a world where we divide people between those who are "in" and those who are "out;" those "on the way up" and those "on the way down;" people "who made it" and those "who had it." But as followers of the Christian faith, we are called to see people in a different way, to go beneath the exterior as Our Lord does, and try to meet the person—the human being within.

- It's our calling to see those people to whom society is blind;
- It's our calling to listen to those people society disregards;
- And it's our calling to speak with those people society ignores and those to whom the events of life have not been kind.

When we do these things, our Christian faith thrives. So, whether it's the story of a deaf man, who lived 2,000 years ago, or a group of hearing-impaired tourists last week on an island in the Caribbean, Our Lord is calling us to make our world a better place.

Something for all of us to think about as we live our lives.

*Fr. Vasken*

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## IN MEMORIAM

### ARCHPRIEST FR. SHAHE ALTOUNIAN

**1922-2014**

Fr. Shahe was ordained in the Holy Trinity Armenian Church on Shawmut Avenue, Boston, in 1948, and was named in memory of the first pastor of that church, the late Archbishop Shahe Kasparian. Fr. Shahe Altounian served as assistant pastor here until he was called to serve the Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Church in Providence, RI.

In 1958, Fr. Shahe moved to California, where he continued his ministry until his passing on July 31.

On behalf of our parish, a letter of condolence was sent to his family.



## The 108 Campaign

The Parish Council has been working with NSTAR to control and minimize increases in future energy costs. In implementing their energy audit recommendations, we will also help Holy Trinity Church become a better steward of our environment.

As a result of the audit, we anticipate an estimated \$5,200 in savings annually in our electric costs.

But it will take \$108 a day for a six-month period to absorb the one-time \$20,000 audit expense and implementation of recommendations intended to control our energy costs and help us "Go Green."

In 2010 and 2012, we ran successful campaigns thanks to your generosity. If you have not yet made your contribution, we kindly ask you to support this 2014 endeavor.

Thank you and a special *Thank You* to all those listed below who have contributed.

The Pastor and the Parish Council.

As of September 19, we have raised \$9,503 representing 87 days for our *108 Campaign*, thanks to the generosity of the following:

Joan E. Kolligian	Joyce and John S. Davagian	Lt. Col. Robert and Susan
Richard and Lillian Najarian	Krikor Ermonian	Lang
Kevoork Atinizian	Garbis and Mary-Louise	Seta Lepore
Mal and Jean Keljikian	Essaian, CA	Vahan Mahdasian
Charles Gazarian	Armine D. Hagopian	Joseph and Mary Ann
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Mrs. Charles Talanian	Ronald Haroutunian	Catherine Mosgofian
George W. Haroutunian and	Roxie M. Hedison	John Victor Nahigian
K. Shirley Spencer	Aram and Becky Hintlian	Gail and Richard O'Reilly
Ernest M. Barsamian	Stephan and Lisa	Anita Shishmanian
Ed and Ann Danielson	Hovnanian	Christopher and Noel
Dan and Lisa Dorian	Jeanne Jamgochian	Talanian
Nancy R. Kolligian	Paul Jamgotchian	Peter and Isabel Talanian
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Youssofian Family	Grace Kaprelian	Shushan M. Teager
Albert and Linda Abkarian	John and Adrienne Kefeyan	Doug and Jean (Juskalian)
Vickie Alani	Talene Kelegian	Toan
Stephen and Jean Alexander	Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.	Christina Walters
Mark and Maral Ayanian	Michele Kolligian	Elise Harrison
Rose Mary Aznavorian	Marian H. Koumjian	Jack M. Medzorian
Elizabeth P. Babaian	Dn. Gregory & Carol	Arsalus Abalian
Jack and Judy Bichajian	Krikorian	

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO REACH OUR GOAL!**



## TRINITY FAMILY FESTIVAL

A sincere THANK YOU to all the volunteers who worked before and during our Trinity Family Festival held on Sunday, September 14.

It was a wonderful day for our church family and friends, both the young and young-at-heart.

David Dorian and Jack Ekchian  
Festival Co-Chairmen



*Der Vasken enjoying the beautiful day with parishioners*

The Pastor and Parish Council express their deep appreciation to David Dorian and Jack Ekchian, for again co-chairing our Festival. It is indeed a huge undertaking, and we are grateful to them and all the hard-working volunteers. Thank you, also, to all those who supported our raffle, and congratulations to the winners: 1st Prize, \$1,000 - Isabella Guleserian; 2nd Prize, \$300 - Juliette Tashjian; and 3rd Prize, \$200 - Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.



*Above, Face Painting with JoJo the Clown*

*Left, Kevork Atinikian and his delicious Doener Kebab*





## FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

### SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR-END SPECIAL AWARDS CEREMONY AND PICNIC

The 2013-2014 Sunday School year came to a successful conclusion on Sunday, June 8, with the Sunday School's Closing Day Program, a heart-warming Special Awards Ceremony and our year-end "picnic" for students, families and parishioners. The morning began in the Peter Adamian Hall with the distribution of Certificates of Appreciation to all students and recognition of our teachers and staff. The Sunday School then attended church services where its Special Awards Ceremony was held at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. The Ceremony was presided over by Fr. Vasken with the assistance of Seta A. Buchter, Sunday School Superintendent. In her remarks, Seta thanked the church community for its continuing support of our Sunday School ministry, the teachers and staff for their dedication and commitment to our children and youth, the parents for bringing their children to Sunday School and the students for making the Sunday School the special place that it is.



The "Arsha Sarkisian Award," for "Outstanding Student of the Year," was presented to Diana Margaryan, a Teen Seminar student. The "Sarah Goolkasian Award," for "Outstanding Sunday School Teacher of the Year," was awarded to Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, an instructor in the Teen Seminar program.



Special Awards and a small gift were then presented as follows: One-Absence: Auriel Nalbandian, Gr. 3, and Armen Youssoufian, Teen Seminar. Perfect Attendance: Gohar Kirakosyan, Gr. 3, and Alina Kouzouian, Gr. 6.



Special recognition was given to Lori Dorian, a student in the Teen Seminar program, for achieving 10 years of consecutive perfect attendance. Lori is the seventh student in our Sunday School to have achieved this milestone, an accomplishment unparalleled in our Diocese. A congratulatory letter was read from His Eminence, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern).

This year saw the creation of two new awards. The first was "The Florence Cirino Achievement Award," to be presented to a Grade 4 student





who has shown a commitment and desire to learn by actively participating in class discussions, completing class assignments, and having exemplary attendance. Flo was a beloved member of the Sunday School staff, teaching in Grade 4 for 8 ½ years, from September 1997 to January 2006, when illness prevented her from continuing. She taught with a firm but loving hand, instilled in her students a love and appreciation of their Armenian heritage and, beyond teaching the curriculum, drilled the basics. This year's graduating class is the last class to have had Flo as their Grade 4 teacher. When our

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graduates have been asked which teacher has influenced them the most, inevitably Flo's name would always be mentioned. She definitely left her footprint. In loving memory of Flo, the first recipient of this Award was Ariana Hovnanian.

The second award established was the "Superintendent's Special Recognition Award," to be presented to an individual whose contributions to the Sunday School



have gone over and beyond. This year's recipient was Anna Margaryan, an Assistant in our Pre-School class, who consistently volunteered whenever and wherever needed, took the initiative in doing what needed to be done without being asked, and never said 'no' when asked to help.

The Armenian School, under the direction of Naira Balagyozyan, then

presented its Special Awards. "Outstanding Student" Awards were presented to Hrachya Tonyan, Erik Tonyan, Armen Youssoufian, Naneh Petrosyan and Leila Belubekian. "Extra Effort" Awards were given to Christian Maranian and Gohar Kirakosyan. Also recognized were the teachers' assistants – Amalia Petrosyan, Anna Margaryan, Adelaida Balagyozyan and Anoush Kirakosyan. The Armenian School thanked Mrs. Adelaida Hoveyan for her continuous dedication and great work in teaching the Armenian language and history to our children.



In his closing words to the students, staff and parents of our Sunday School, Fr. Vasken expressed how proud he was of the dedication each family of our Armenian School and Sunday School displayed during the past year. "Your dedication to our faith and heritage shows through in your week-to-week commitment; may the faith and culture of our people always serve you well in life," he remarked.

Following church services, a "picnic" was held in the Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall where everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch of hamburgers, hot dogs, homemade salads, potato chips, desserts, and beverages.

Sincerest appreciation and thanks are extended to the following: Becky Hintlian for coordinating the kitchen; Vickie Alani, Susana Arustamyan, Sally DerVartanian, Barbara Jakob and Annie Youssofian, for setting-up and serving the food; chefs David Dorian, Jeff Martin and Scott Martin for cooking the delicious hamburgers and hot dogs; Sunday School parents for bringing salads and desserts and assisting throughout the morning; and the Trinity Men's Union for underwriting the picnic with its donation of \$326.00.

## TWENTY-EIGHT FROM OUR PARISH ATTEND ST. VARTAN CAMP THIS SUMMER

What a wonderful summer it was for the 28 participants from our parish who attended St. Vartan Camp as campers (17), counselors-in-training (CITs) (4), and staff (7), including Fr. Vasken who served as Camp Director for Session C. Holy Trinity awarded partial scholarships, in the total amount of \$3,645, to 8 children and 1 youth to participate in the St. Vartan Camp program.

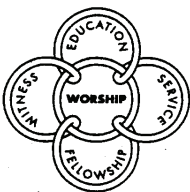


-Seta A. Buchter, Sunday School Superintendent

## STEWARDSHIP 2015

### *“CELEBRATING THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST”*

*THROUGH WORSHIP, EDUCATION, SERVICE, FELLOWSHIP, AND WITNESS*



HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR STEWARDSHIP 2015 PLEDGE??

LET US JOURNEY TOGETHER IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND AS AN ARMENIAN CHURCH FAMILY AS WE REINFORCE OUR ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT OF FR. VASKEN’S MINISTRY ON THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION TO THE HOLY ORDER OF PRIESTHOOD.



## ACYOA SENIORS NEWS

Despite the more relaxed nature of the summer months, our Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors kept very busy from June to September. In June, the ACYOA Seniors held a General Membership meeting and conducted their annual Executive Committee elections. Congratulations to the 2014-2015 ACYOA Seniors Executive Committee:

Danielle Malconian, Chairman; Ronald Malconian, Jr., Vice-Chairman; Suzanne Ekchian, Treasurer; Christina Azarian, Corresponding Secretary; Christine Hovsepien, PR/Social Media; Caroline Ekchian, Recording Secretary; and Stephen Hollisian, Sports Coordinator.

### 2016 SPORTS WEEKEND UPDATE

In May, our Holy Trinity chapter won the bid to host the 2016 ACYOA Seniors General Assembly and Sports Weekend, which will welcome over 300 young adults from across the Diocese. During the summer, our Executive Committee was joined by an enthusiastic group of general members to establish the 2016 Sports Weekend Committee that has already met a number of times. Working alongside an advisory committee comprised of adult professionals from the parish, plans are well underway for an exciting and memorable weekend.

### MONTHLY TRIVIA NIGHT

The ACYOA Seniors hosted another fun Trivia Night on August 16, welcoming nearly 50 players of all ages. Trivia Night regular, Ed Danielson, having chosen to celebrate his milestone birthday with his Trivia friends, enjoyed a surprise bonus question in his honor.

### ASDVADZADZIN BRUNCH

The ACYOA Seniors welcomed a full house at their annual Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother-Of-God (Soorp Asdvadzadzin) Annual Basturma and Eggs Brunch on August 17. We are so proud of the many ACYOA Seniors



who organized the event and were present that day, including the five members who assisted the Parish Council during Liturgy; 6 Altar servers and choir members who served that morning; and the many other members who prepared the meal, especially Ron Malconian, Jr., ACYOA Seniors Vice-Chairman and Head Chef.

The ACYOA Seniors wish to express their deep gratitude to Armen and Susan Skenderian who generously underwrote the event - the Seniors are forever grateful for your generous donation and support.

*Photo - ACYOA Seniors assisting Parish Council during Sunday morning Divine Liturgy*



*Serving on the Altar  
and  
singing in the Choir*



*Fr. Vasken alongside members of the Executive Committee and other volunteers  
who helped prepare and serve the Brunch*



## END OF SUMMER BARBECUE - AUGUST 17



The busy August weekend ended with a relaxing and delicious barbecue, hosted by the Hovsepian family. Many thanks to Karen and John Hovsepian for their hospitality, and to Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors Christine, Cynthia and Sandra Hovsepian for organizing the event.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Trivia Nights** - Every third Saturday of the month; doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the

game runs from 7 - 9 p.m. \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door includes mezzé. Cash bar available. Open to all ages.

- **Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon - November 23**; please save the date and watch for more information. This event is sponsored by the ACYOA Seniors and Juniors

**PLEASE VISIT THE SENIORS ON FACEBOOK AT HOLY TRINITY CAMBRIDGE ACYOA SENIORS.**

If you know of anyone between the ages of 18-28 who lives in the area, or who has moved to the area for college or work, please send their contact information to the Youth Director, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, at [youth@htaac.org](mailto:youth@htaac.org) or email the ACYOA Seniors directly at [HTACYOA@gmail.com](mailto:HTACYOA@gmail.com).



## ACYOA JUNIORS NEWS

### NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On June 8, the ACYOA Juniors held their annual General Membership Election Meeting, during which the membership voted for the 2014-2015 ACYOA Juniors Executive Committee. We look forward to an exciting and innovative year ahead under the leadership of our new Committee:

Anna Margaryan, Chairman; Alexandra Hintlian, Vice-Chairman; Olivia Thayer, Treasurer; Naneh Petrosyan, Corresponding Secretary; Adelaida Balagyozyan, Recording Secretary.

### SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Although the ACYOA Juniors had a quiet summer at Church, many of its members were busy attending various Diocesan summer programs, including St. Vartan Camp and St. Nersess Seminary Summer Conferences, with over a dozen members volunteering at our own Trinity Kids' Place program from August 11-22. Many members attended Church regularly during the summer, even volunteering their time singing in the choir and serving on the Altar. We are proud of our youth for their dedication and commitment to their Armenian Church, faith and culture.

### CANOBIE LAKE PARK OUTING



On August 25, over 20 of our members joined their friends from the St. James ACYOA Juniors to enjoy a fun-filled day at Canobie Lake Park. Many thanks to ACYOA Seniors Chairman, Danielle Malconian, who chaperoned the group, as well as the St. James ACYOA Juniors for organizing the event.

### ONGOING COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECT

The ACYOA Juniors have an ongoing collection drive for Cradles to Crayons, an organization that strives to provide children up to age 12, living in homeless and low-income situations, with the essentials they need to feel safe, warm, ready to learn, and valued. Parishioners are encouraged to bring donations to Church and place them in the purple bin located in the vestibule off of Sparks Street. For more information and a list of donation guidelines, please visit [www.cradlestocrayons.org](http://www.cradlestocrayons.org).

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Armenian Heritage Park Volunteer Project - September 27

Together with the ACYOA Seniors, the ACYOA Juniors will be volunteering at Armenian Heritage Park on September 27, which is National Public Lands Day.

- ACYOA Juniors Annual October Sports Weekend - October 10-13  
Hosted by St. Leon Armenian Church in Fair Lawn, NJ
- Thanksgiving Luncheon and Live Service Auction - November 23

**ALL ACYOA JUNIORS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON FACEBOOK AT HOLY TRINITY CAMBRIDGE ACYOA JUNIORS.**

The ACYOA Juniors is open to all youth ages 12 to 18. If you or someone you know is interested in or eligible to join the ACYOA Juniors, please contact the Youth Director, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, at [youth@htaac.org](mailto:youth@htaac.org).

### Holy Trinity Annual Christmas Bazaar

**December 5 & 6, 2014**

Please help support our annual Holy Trinity Christmas Bazaar by becoming a sponsor. Your help and support will be prominently displayed throughout the bazaar in sincere recognition and gratitude.

Please contact the church office at **617-354-0632** or [office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org).

#### Bazaar Meals:

7 available  
\$1,000.00 each

#### Super Raffle:

2 available  
\$2,250.00 each

#### Country Store & Candy:

2 available  
\$1,500.00 each

#### Raffle:

2 available  
\$750.00 each

#### Paper Goods:

2 available  
\$500.00 each

#### Beverages:

1 available  
\$300.00 each

#### Pastry Booth:

4 available  
\$500.00 each

#### Gas Grills:

1 available  
\$500.00 each

#### Gourmet Booth:

2 available  
\$1000.00 each

#### Printing Postage & Ads:

4 available  
\$500.00 each

#### Santa's Play Land:

2 available  
\$500.00 each

#### Wreaths & Poinsettias:

2 available  
\$500.00 each



General Donations are welcomed with much appreciation.

Thank you for helping us make this year's bazaar a success!

## Trinity Kids' Place

**AUGUST 11-15 AND AUGUST 18-22**

IN ITS NINTH YEAR, TRINITY KIDS' PLACE HAS GROWN MORE THAN EVER, EXPANDING TO TWO WEEKS, WITH PARTICIPANTS HAVING THE OPTION OF ATTENDING JUST ONE WEEK, OR THE FULL TWO-WEEK PROGRAM. EACH WEEK, WE WELCOMED 17 CHILDREN AGED 3-9, WITH A TOTAL OF 26 PARTICIPANTS JOINING THE TRINITY KIDS' PLACE FAMILY THIS YEAR.

### LOVING GOD AND LOVING ONE ANOTHER



Our Week 1  
Trinity Kids' Place  
Family



Our Week 2  
Trinity Kids' Place  
Family

Centered on the theme, "Living Out the Ten Commandments," participants learned that God gave us the Ten Commandments to help us understand how we should act towards Him and how we should act towards one another. During the first week, participants



explored Commandments 1 through 4, centered on loving God and how we should behave towards God. The second week focused on Commandments 5 through 10, centered on loving others and how we should behave towards one another. As summarized in Matthew 22:37-39, participants were taught to: *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself."*

Our program focused on teaching a "child-friendly" version of the Ten Commandments, so wherever possible, the "Don'ts" were presented as "Do's." For example, Commandment #3, *"Do not use the Lord's name in vain,"* was transformed to *"Always say or use God's name with love."* To reinforce this lesson, participants were taught the hymn, *"Ohrnetzitz uzDer"* sung at the end of our Liturgy each Sunday, which translates to *"I will praise the Lord at all times, at all times His praise shall be on my lips,"* and further reinforced by a snack of cupcakes adorned with candy lips. Commandments #9 and #10, traditionally admonishing lying and coveting, were presented as God's desire for us to always be truthful and grateful for what we have.



Fr. Vasken teaches about forgiveness

Throughout the two weeks, participants enjoyed their daily visits with Der Vasken, during which they: learned about Moses and the Ten Commandments, immersed themselves in the beauty of our sanctuary, explored some of the treasures of our Church, learned about God's immeasurable forgiveness, and spent quality time getting to know their pastor, their faith and their Church.

On the last day of the program, as is tradition, participants planted basil that was used in the Blessing of Basil service that took place during the celebration of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14.

Our week together ended with the Graduation Ceremony of two Trinity Kids' Place graduates: Christina Hovnanian (4 years); and Leila Belubekian (1 year). We congratulate them for their dedication, thank their parents for supporting the program, and look forward to the day they can join us on staff!





*Our 2014 graduates, Leila Belubekian and Christina Hovnanian, with Ann Danielson, Yn. Arpi and Fr. Vasken*

## IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Trinity Kids' Place is a truly extraordinary program that speaks to the hearts of not only the children who participate, but to the staff who pour their love and talents into this unique and enriching experience. So much transpires in our short time together – relationship-building,

Christian education, mentoring, social development, and of course, lots of fun and happy memories. We are so grateful to the parents who send their children and are especially grateful to the staff that makes the program so special.

Many thanks to this year's visiting instructors, including our favorite musical guest, trumpeter Dan Teager; Cynthia Kazanjian, who joined us for the first time this year, supervising 17 little chefs as they prepared choreg that they were able to take home and share with their families; and Cathy Minassian who was instrumental in helping out on "choreg day."



Heartfelt thanks to Ann Danielson, Trinity Kids' Place Co-Founder and Curriculum Advisor, whose gifts are immeasurable and whose creativity, vision and passion are contagious! Her dedication and love for the children of our Church are always an inspiration. We thank veteran senior staff members Suzanne Ekchian (who is also our resident video photo montage guru), and Alexander Ensign, and visiting staff member Caroline Thayer, as well





as the many ACYOA Juniors who served as Junior Staff: Stephanie Arustamyan, Kevork Atinizian, Victoria Hintlian, Alina Kouzouian, David Manoukian, Michael Manoukian, Anna Margaryan, Diana Margaryan, Helen Margaryan, Katerina Ohanyan and Ani Suprikyan, who was visiting from Armenia and spent her vacation at Trinity Kids' Place. These young people gave of their time and talents, most volunteering the full two weeks, enthusiastically playing with, caring for and mentoring to the children of our Church.



Above: Many thanks to Chloe and Sophia Tinkjian for bringing their chicks in for Show & Tell







We are especially grateful to Fr. Vasken for his commitment and support of the Trinity Kids' Place program. For nearly a decade, he has worked tirelessly to ensure that the children of Holy Trinity Church grow in their faith and fellowship, and his leadership, knowledge and genuine love for the children of our Church ensure that the Trinity Kids' Place program and the children who are part of it grow each year. We are blessed to have Der Vasken as our spiritual leader and thank God for bestowing him with the many gifts he shares with the Trinity Kids' Place family.

Submitted by Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, **Trinity Kids' Place Director**

## THE GREGORY HINTLIAN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Marlborough Country Club was once again the beautiful setting for the June 16 tournament where Greg's family and friends gathered for a great day of golf and fellowship. Our deep gratitude to Co-Chairmen, Aram Hintlian and Jeff Hintlian, and their Committee: Elissa Hintlian, Nancy Hintlian, Nancy E. Hintlian, Cynthia & Dick Kazanjian, Greg Krikorian, Cathy Minassian, Bruce Newell and Bruce Ohanian. A sincere thank you, also, to all our geneous Tournament Sponsors, Silent Auction and Raffle donors. tee sponsors, golfers, and volunteers for making it such a success!



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## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATE

Mark Torosian, son of Kaspar and the late Grace Torosian of Belmont, MA, graduated from the University of Rochester with a BS in Biochemistry and a BA in Economics and a minor in Mathematics. He was a member of the varsity football team and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He is attending Boston University studying for a Masters in Bioimaging. Mark is a Belmont resident, having graduated from Belmont High School. He is an Altar server and candidate for the sub-diaconate this October.



## PARISH

Our condolences to Stephan and Lisa Hovnanian on the death of his grandfather, Diran Shakarjian, on June 30.

## NOTES

Congratulations to Mary Divrigian on her special birthday and to grandmother, Dottie Hamparian, and parents, Neil and Elizabeth Hamparian, on the birth of Talon Davis Hamparian on August 11. And congratulations to Charles Talanian and Ann Trautenberg who were married on September 7. Fr. Vasken offered a blessing on their marriage.

## \$\$\$ FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY 1000 CLUB \$\$\$

**1000 CLUB SAYS . . .** *Follow the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others, and Responsibility for all your actions.*

### 1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR JUNE

\$1000 - Arpi Hovagimian; \$300 - Paul Jamgotchian; \$200 - Paul Jamgotchian; \$100 - Aram Hintlian; \$50 Winners: Massis Kevorkian; Elizabeth Kefeyan; Armine D. Hagopian, Catherine R. Minassian; Steven Arakelian; Armine D. Hagopian; Marilyn Papazian; Ann Massi

### 1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR JULY

\$1,000 - Mrs. Charles Talanian; \$300 - Catherine Minassian; \$200 - Catherine Mosgofian; \$100 - Michele Kolligian; \$50 Winners: Armen & Susan Skenderian; Zella Marootian; Edward Keljik; Michele Kolligian; Michael G. Yapchaian; Nancy Kolligian & Lisa Dorian; Gayle M. Yapchaian; Scott Martin

### 1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR AUGUST

\$1,000 - Rose M. Tikijian; \$300 - Helen Recko & Holly Lewin, CA; \$200 - Thomas & Setta Stephanian; \$100 - Debbie Brooks; \$50 Winners: Marion Samuelian; Hilda M. Caragulian; Alan Arakelian; Brett Boghigian; Melissa Martin; Murat Corluyan; Jean E. Martinian; Janice Zorian Bacon



## MADAGH DONATIONS FROM OUR TRINITY FAMILY FESTIVAL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>IN MEMORIUM</u>
Tamara Der Ananian & Family	William Cirino and Florence Cirino
Anna Payelian Pietz	Ervin Pietz, husband
Kevork & Jacqueline Atinizian	Atinizian Family
Bruce Jaranian	Aram & Esther Jaranian, parents
Nevart Talanian	
Charles Nahabedian	Alice Nahabedian
Lorraine Tashjian Vaccaro	Gladys & Harry Tashjian and Flo Cirino
Albert Zouranjian	Khoren & Houliane Zouranjian
Vickie Alani	David & Dennis Azarian
Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian	Kachadorian and Kasarjian families
Nancy R. Kolligian	Gregory Archie & Rose Kolligian
Marian Koumjian	Ralph Koumjian and both families
Bill & Karen Martin	All loved ones
Bruce & Carlene Newell	Carl & Mary Hintlian and Kenneth & Charlotte Newell
Dr. & Mrs. Hagop Youssoufian & Family	
Charles & Joyce Dermenjjian	Nishan M. Fermanian
Catherine Minassian	Parents
George D. Hagopian	Alma, Mary, Rose & Samuel Minassian
George W. Haroutunian	Hagop & Mary Der Hagopian
Joyce Janjigian	Family
Jeanne M. Nahabedian	Hagop Zartarian
Albert & Anne Oskoian	Levon & Aznive Mooradian
Julia Stephanian	Parents
George Thomasian	Thomas Stephanian
M/M Roy F. Walters	Rebecca Sarkisian and parents
Diran & Zabelle Zahigian	Asdour & Margaret Boyajian
Gerald & Elizabeth Boghosian	Parents
Grace A. Boyajian	Parents
Rose & Nish Tikijian	Djivelekian & Alyanakian families
David & Sally DerVartanian	Zarouhie & Jirair Tikijian, parents
George W. Haroutunian & Shirley Spencer	Family
Elsie Jamgochian	
Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.	Gregory Takvorian
Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.	John Jamgochian
Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian	Rose & Archie Kolligian
Nishan & Margaret Mootafian	Jack H. Kolligian
	Deacon Khugas & Siranoush Krikorian
	Gregory Takvorian

**WITH GRATITUDE FROM ONE OF OUR DEACONS**

**A SINCERE THANK YOU TO ALL  
WHO SENT THEIR WARM WISHES FOR BETTER HEALTH.**

**DEACON ARMEN SKENDERIAN**

## DONATIONS TO OUR TRUST FUND

- \$35,000 from Jay Hachigian and Jill Colombosian to be added to their trust fund
- \$6,306 from George W. Haroutunian to be added to the Deacon John, Rose, Nerses, Jack and George Haroutunian Family Trust Fund
- \$1,500 from the ACYOA Juniors to be added to their trust fund
- \$1,500 from the ACYOA Seniors to be added to their trust fund
- \$1,000 from Glenn Shenloogian to be added to the David and Susan Shenloogian Trust Fund
- \$1,000 from Mrs. Charles Talanian, Gail & Richard O'Reilly, Charles M. Talanian, and Noel & Christopher Talanian to be added to the Charles and Nevart Talanian Trust Fund
- \$225 from the Peter and Clare Kalustian Memorial Fidelity Gift Fund to the Peter Kalustian Trust Fund

## DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH

- \$3,500 from the Friends of Holy Trinity 1000 Club
- \$1,500 from the ACYOA Juniors
- \$1,500 from the ACYOA Seniors
- \$200 from Zarina Irkaeva
- \$100 from Nancy D. Kasarjian
- \$50 from John Goshdigan to Trinity Kids' Place
- \$40 from Anna Glover
- \$25 from Lani Matthews in memory of parents

## WINDOW WELL DONATIONS

In response to an appeal to Sunday School parents to help defray the cost of repairs to the window wells above the Sunday School classrooms, the following gifts were gratefully received:

- \$500 from Ara and Sasha Maroyan and Family
- \$200 from Susan Barba
- \$100 from Scott Martin
- \$50 from Leo Haroutunian
- \$25 from Diane Coste

## DAJAR DONATIONS

\$100 - Marion K. Tutunjian; \$75 - Mary-Louise Essaian, CA

\$50 - Nancy Garabedian and Robert Dini, CA; \$30 - Stella Kasparian

\$25 - Dorothy Kohler; Elizabeth Sargavakian; Glenn Shenloogian for Robin Tashjian; Lee Shenloogian Warn



## WEDDINGS

**Michael Giuseppe Ciampa** of Winchester, MA, and **Marina Kim Ayrapetyan** of Billerica, MA, on July 26. Bestman Daryl Berg

**Ian Andrew Fitzpatrick** of Malden, MA, and **Anahit Tokatlyan** of Watertown, MA, on August 16. Bestman Erik Skoog



## BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS

**Nicholas Allan Gilman**, son of Jeffrey and Christina (Markarian) Gilman of Braintree, MA, on July 20. Godfather, John Illia, and Godmother, Sarah Illia

**Brooklyn Charles Reid Fleming**, son of Brent and Taylor (Stephanian) Fleming of Boston, MA, on August 24. Godfather, Levon Stephanian, and Godmother, Whitney Tashjian

**Nicholas Vincent Vargas**, son of Albert and Tanya (Tchamitchian) Vargas of Wilmington, MA, on September 6. Godfather, Joseph Tchamitchian, and Godmother, Natasha Tchamitchian



## IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

*Sincere sympathy is extended by the Pastor and Parish Council to the families of those parishioners who have departed from this life.*

*Grateful acknowledgment is expressed to the families of the departed souls for making it possible for friends and relatives to contribute in lieu of flowers, partially or totally, towards our church.*

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of **ARTHUR A. MARANIAN, SR.**, for our church:

Gregory & Joanne Tashjian; Michael & Ida Boodakian; Ann Avedisian, RI; Anthony & Christine Avedisian; Cheryl Panjian; Albert & Anne Oskoian; George W. Haroutunian & K. Shirley Spencer; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Helen Krikorian; Seta A. Buchter and Dr. Christina G. Buchter; George D. Hagopian; Jane A. Jamgotchian; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Diana K. Topjian

Total: \$1,280.00



Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of **GREGORY ROBERT TAKVORIAN** for our church:

Robert & Marilyn Takvorian; Steven & Melissa Bene; Anna Payelian Pietz; Armen & Susan Skenderian; Harold & Gabriele Melkonian; Lisa & Dan Dorian; Hai Guin Scholarship Association; Michele Kolligian; M/M Michael Markarian; M/M Michael C. Markarian & Family, M/M Brian S. Markarian & Family, M/M J. Gilman & Family, and M/M J. Illia; Nishan & Margaret Mootafian; Richard & Gail O'Reilly; Fiorenzo & Pasqualina Pietrosonto; Mrs. Charles Talanian; Alina & Simon Zakarian; Surpig Stepanian; Albert & Linda Abkarian; Leon & Marge Atamian; Denise Boyea; Chitchian Family; Ed & Ann Danielson; David & Sally DerVartanian; Dr. & Mrs. Nishan Goudsouzian; William & Dana Martins Hanify; Richard & Carolyn Haroutunian; Walter & June Hatfield; Roxie M. Hedison; Albert & Anita Kalustian; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Helen Krikorian; Lt. Col. Robert & Susan Lang; Aurelian & Anahid Mardiros; Bill & Karen Martin; Stephen & Melissa Mootafian; Bruce & Lu Ann Ohanian; Harry & Hripsime Parsekian; Florence & John Pepi; Armine Sarges; Ann Simon; Kenneth & Suzanne Takvorian; Peter, Isabel & Joyce Talanian; Abraham & Audrey Tanashian; M/M Himayak Torosian and Kaspar Torosian & Sons; Garo & Aida Yavshayan; Sonia Zorian; M.L. Hedison-Flynn; George W. Haroutunian & K. Shirley Spencer; Leslee & Paul Jones; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Diane & George Keverian; Edward & Julie Mesrobian; Nadia & Sarkis Abrahamian; Suzanne C. LeJeune; Richard & Margaret Markarian; Anahid Minasyan; M/M Kenneth Reardon; Arthur Avakian; Mrs. Agnes Aznavorian & Rose; Janice Bacon & Family; Louise Bognanno; Seta A. Buchter & Dr. Christina G. Buchter; Isabelle Der Garabedian; Janet & Ara Dermovsesian; Crosby Jr., & Flo Goshgarian and Family; George D. Hagopian; Charles & Adrienne Hamparian; Dorothy A. Hamparian & Joanne; Hollisian Family; Jeanne Jamgochian; James M. Kalustian; Martin & Mimi Kalustian; Grace Kaprelian; John Kefeyan & Adrienne Kefeyan; John & Ida Kolligian; Mary Kupjian; Kaloust & Sossy Mahdasian Family; Mary Lou Markarian & Medo El Telbany; Sirvart A. Mellian; Catherine Minassian; Catherine Mosgofian; Albert & Anne Oskoian; Jack & Audrey Pilibosian; Rose & Nish Tikijian; Bertha Demirjian and Family; Diran & Zabelle Zahigian; David & Mary Russo

Total: \$4,480.00



Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of **AGNES AZNAVORIAN** for our church:

Arthur & Susan Aznavorian and Family; Rose Mary Aznavorian; Nazareth & Margaret Azarian, CT; Seta A. Buchter & Dr. Christina G. Buchter; Ann Dadaian, NJ; Ed & Ann Danielson; Clark & Janice Gall, NE; Linda Garbus; Edward & Margaret Gritsavage, AZ; Miriam Ivok Horton & David C. Horton; Ara H. Ishkanian; James M. Kalustian; George & Dorothy Mekenian, NJ; Laura Zimmaro; Richard A. & Tana G. Onanian, NY; Lt. Col. & Mrs. Robert Lang & Harry Lang; Elise Antreassian, NY; William & Lynn Bates; Grace Araxi Boyajian; James T. & Katherine Cahill; M/M George Devletian, PA; Jo-Anne Granger, ME; M/M Ronald Halaby; William & Dana Martins Hanify; Arpi Hovagimian; Shenorig G. & Mary Ishkanian; Joseph & Louise Kalemkerian, CT; Albert & Anita Kalustian; Martin & Mimi Kalustian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Elizabeth Kassabian, RI; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Patricia Morrissey; M/M Harutiun Palandjian; Eugene & Queenie Raphaelian; Armine Sarges; Peter & Lilyane Soltz; Delores A. Chmielewski, NE; Zaven & Linda Giragosian; Paul & Leslee Jones; Charles & Joyce Guleserian; Vartkes & Elissa Karaian; Helen Krikorian; Edward & Julie Mesrobian; Jack & Audrey Pilibosian; Albert & Linda Abkarian; Arthur Avakian; Carole Baumgart; Anna Demurjian; Ellen & Stanley Forman and Elaine & Ed Glebus; George D. Hagopian; Ruth Hagopian; George W. Haroutunian & K. Shirley Spencer; Mildred M. Henry; Grace Kaprelian; Joel & Judith Kepnes; George & Diane Keverian; Christine & Paul Kolsaat; Myrna & Harold Levin; Helen & Joseph Lousararian; Michael & Elaine Markarian; Lani Matthews; Janice Onanian McMahon, MD; Catherine Minassian; Nancy Moscofian; Catherine Mosgofian; Robert & Marilyn Takvorian; Peter & Isabel Talanian; Rose & Nish Tikijian; Phyllis Watson; Diran & Zabelle Zahigian; Roberta Pelkey; Irene Sarkisian; Torosian Family; Patricia Grugnale; Rev. & Mrs. Antranig Balian; Alice & Larry Pahigian

Total: \$3,775.00



## DONATIONS

In lieu of flowers in memory of :

- **MARY KARCHAKIAN:** Robert & Mary Bonefant
- **KRIKOR TOOMAJIAN:** Richard & Mary Humber; Ronald & JoAnn Manoogian

Additional in lieu of flowers in memory of:

- **FLORENCE CIRINO:** Albert & Anne Oskoian
- **ANN HINTLIAN:** Dr. & Mrs. Jack Keverian; Walter & June Hatfield; Joyce Janjigian
- **ELIZABETH KEFEYAN:** MM Raffaele DiCecca; Helene Dorian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Joyce Janjigian; Sylvia Tavitian
- **ALICE ROAT:** George & Susan Tashjian, RI; Kazanjian-Silvia Family - Karen, Peter, Andrew & Maya; Sandra Kazanjian; Veronica & Ronald Grautski; Arlene & Carmelo Terrasi

In memory of:

**HENRY BOGOSIAN:** Mike & Jill Jamgochian, CA

\$100.00



## FUNERALS

**Michael Diranian** of Saugus, MA, on June 27

**Agnes Aznive Aznavorian** of Arlington, MA, on July 1

**Garabed Dorkhonian** of Cambridge, MA, on September 13

**Andrew Alexander** of Waltham, MA, on September 24

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***Calendar of Events***

**OCTOBER**

- 26 - Ordination of 5 Sub-Deacons,  
His Eminence Abp. Khajag  
Barsamian, Presiding
- Celebration of Der Vasken's  
20-year Pastoral Journey

**NOVEMBER**

- 23 - ACVOA Thanksgiving Luncheon

**DECEMBER**

- 5-6 - Trinity Christmas Bazaar
- 14 - Annual Holiday Christmas  
Concert, Erevan Choral  
Society; 7pm

OCTOBER 26 IS THE TIME FOR EACH OF US TO SHOW OUR LOVE AND  
APPRECIATION TO FATHER VASKEN FOR HIS DEDICATED MINISTRY AS A  
CLERGYMAN OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH, AND FOR LEADING US AS WE JOURNEY  
TOGETHER IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND AS AN ARMENIAN CHURCH FAMILY  
HERE AT HOLY TRINITY.

THE PARISH COUNCIL AND THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE  
INVITE YOU TO SHARE IN THE

**20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF  
FR. VASKEN'S ORDINATION  
TO THE HOLY ORDER OF PRIESTHOOD**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

COME AS WE CELEBRATE HIS PASTORAL JOURNEY FROM PEW TO PULPIT

SEE PAGE 2 FOR DETAILS

