

Sunday, May 30, 2021  
**Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston**

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**Celebrant: The Pastor**  
**SUNDAY BULLETIN**



**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.

**Please Note:**

From the moment one enters the Vestibule, and throughout the celebration of the Badarak, Masks covering the Mouth and Nose are to be worn and not removed until one has left the Church Complex.

**This is for the safety of all our parishioners.**

Please feel free to contact our office at 617.354.0632 if you have any questions or concerns.

**\*We are grateful for your trust and loyalty to our Holy Trinity community.\***



## **Readings of the Day:**

1 Kgs. 18:29-46. 2 Kgs. 2:1-15. Jas. 5:16-20. Lk. 4:25-30.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ from 2 Corinthians, Chapter 4, vs.16 - Chapter 5. vs.1.

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

**1 Kings 18:29-46** Elijah's prayer to God brings rain after a long drought, whereas the prayers of Baal's prophets prove futile. This 'contest' is spectacular: 850 pagan prophets against the one prophet Elijah of the one God Yahweh. *Reflection: Where is the one true God competing with the false gods in your life?*

**2 Kings 2:1-15** The prophet Elijah continues to remind his protégé Elisha that God would soon be taking his master from him. When Elijah is taken up to heaven in a fiery chariot, he drops his cloak to the ground. Elisha picks it up, taps the nearby Jordan river with it, and the water parts for him. God's spirit had descended now upon Elijah's pupil. *Reflection: Have you ever had the mantle of leadership passed on to you? What quality of your mentor did you value most?*

**James 5:16-20** In these concluding verses of James' epistle, he advises his listeners to confess to and pray for each other, as the "prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." He cites Elijah as a man whose prayers were indeed effective. *Reflection: Have you ever helped someone make a better, more God-pleasing decision? Consider the far-reaching consequences!*

**Luke 4: 25-30** Jesus is in a synagogue in His hometown of Nazareth. To the congregation's amazement, He famously declares that no prophet is accepted in His hometown. He cites the examples of the prophets Elijah and Elisha whose healings were more readily accepted by non-Jews. So angered by this, the people drive Him to the edge of a cliff to throw Him down; but Jesus manages to leave them peacefully. *Reflection: Perhaps we have more in common with this congregation of two thousand years ago than we think. Is there anything about what Jesus teaches that makes you so uncomfortable you would rather drive Him out of your life?*

### **Today is the Remembrance of the Prophet Elijah**

#### **Tomorrow, St. Hripsime and her companions**

St. Hripsime and the community of nuns traveling with her (led by St. Gayane) are the unsung heroines of the Christianization of Armenia. Fleeing persecution from the Emperor Diocletian in the late 3rd century AD, they escaped to Armenia and settled in Vagharshapat. King Drtad himself then pursued the beautiful Hripsime only to be rebuffed by the devout young woman. The 5th century historian Agathangelos recorded her story along with St. Gregory's, vividly describing the physical battle between her and the king. In his new book, *Women Too Were Blessed: The Portrayal of Women in Early Armenian Christian Texts*, scholar David Zakarian speaks of the fight as significant on two levels: Christian virtue and faith overpowering paganism and a powerless young woman physically defeating a tyrannical king. In the renowned icon (a copy of which adorns a side altar in the St. Nersess Seminary chapel), Hripsime is depicted as triumphant and glorified. What one rarely notices is how she tramples upon the head of King Drtad who brandishes a useless sword. One of the first things St. Gregory did was build shrines over the relics of the fallen Hripsime and Gayane and their fellow nuns. Two churches in their names stand near Holy Etchmiadzin to this day. *Reflection: Pray for these beloved saints, grateful for the heroic martyrdom that inspired a nation's faith.*



## **May 30, 2021 Hokehankisd**

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

- **His Beatitude, Gregory Peter XX, Gabroyan, Patriarch of the Armenian Catholic Church.**
- **Elmas B. Garabedian and Charles B. Garabedian, Veronica and K. Albert Parechan:** Requested by Joan E. Kolligian for grandmother, uncle, great-aunt and great-uncle.
- **George Gabriel Omartian and George Kapriel Omartian:** Requested by immediate and extended family in MA, CT, VT, NY and MI.
- **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.

### **ALTAR CANDLES**

Today's Altar Candles are donated for the glory of God on the occasion of Memorial Day in memory of Elmas B. Garabedian from Joan E. Kolligian.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

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

- Trust Fund established by Major Robert Zaven Zartarian in memory of Stephen & Nevart Pauline Azarian.
- Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust in memory of Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Levon, Louise Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian.



**The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 31, for Memorial Day.**

## **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 **Roxie Hedison and Ruegg Quibell;**  
and for the good health of all those who suffer from illness in their own private way; and for those who mourn the loss of loved ones.

**\*Der Vasken offers a weekly Hokehankisd Service.\***

**\*Please note that if you would like Der Vasken to offer your prayer request during his silent prayers at the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, please fill out the Prayer Request cards that have been removed from the pews when the pandemic restrictions began, and are located on the table in the Narthex (the Church Sanctuary lobby).\***

Please contact the church office with any questions.

**\*Requests submitted after 11:30 am on Thursday will not be printed in the Sunday Bulletin but will be read from the altar by Der Vasken.**

**Please alert a Parish Council member on Sunday if you requested a Hokehankisd after 11:30 am on Thursday to ensure Der Vasken has the name of your loved one.\***

## **Congratulations**

**\*Congratulations to Zara Manuelyan who is being baptized today in our Church. We welcome Zara into our Christian family of the Holy Trinity Church and pray that Almighty God may keep her under His loving care.\***



# TMU IS BACK!

FRIDAY

JUNE 11, 2021



Masks  
Required

Open  
To All

## TMU WELCOME BACK COOKOUT



Holy Trinity Courtyard

Social Hour - 6:15pm

Dinner - 7:00pm

Donation  
\$17

Losh Kebab  
Kheyma  
Shish Kebab  
Pilaf  
Salad  
Dessert

RSVP ONLY

By June 9 to

[tmuhtaac@gmail.com](mailto:tmuhtaac@gmail.com)

or call 617-354-0632

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# ***Online Registration Now Open!***

***Did you know you can now register online for the Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament?***

**We've made it easier than ever to participate!  
Registration and Sponsorships can be found at:**

***<https://htaac.org/the-gregory-hintlilan-memorial-golf-tournament-2021>***



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**MARLBOROUGH  
COUNTRY CLUB**

**MONDAY  
JUNE 21, 2021**

**SPONSORED BY  
HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH**

GETTING BACK INTO THE SWING OF THINGS...

**THE 2021  
GREGORY HINTLIAN  
MEMORIAL GOLF  
TOURNAMENT**

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***Remembering Jerry Boghosian and Dick Kazanjian***



The logo features the text "Holy Trinity's" in a small, orange, sans-serif font at the top left. Below it, the words "Losh Summer" and "Stock-Up Sale!" are written in a large, orange, cursive font. Two blue-handled metal spatulas are positioned on either side of the text, with their heads pointing towards the center.

# *Holy Trinity's* **Losh Summer Stock-Up Sale!**

**Frozen Losh Kebab (6/bag) for \$18.00**

Stock up for those Cape weekends or keep them in your freezer for something quick to throw on the grill! There is nothing tastier than Holy Trinity's Losh Kebab!

To Place Your Order:

Call or e-mail the church office at 617-354-0632 or [office@htaac.org](mailto:office@htaac.org)

Walk-up orders are also welcome!

Pick ups will be every Sunday after church services in Talanian Hall.

Swing by, say hello and let's get ready for summer!

Credit cards accepted for pre-orders

Checks only will be accepted for walk-up orders

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## **15th ANNUAL TRINITY KIDS' PLACE PROGRAM**

**August 9-13, 2021**

Our annual summer program for children ages 3-9 is back in person this summer. TKP program staff, Der Vasken, Yn. Arpi, and Ann Danielson have been busy planning for this year's program, based on the theme:

“Love One Another”.

9:00 am- 1:30 pm daily with optional extended day to 3 pm.

Please direct all inquiries to [youth@htaac.org](mailto:youth@htaac.org)

Register online by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 23.

REGISTRATION LINK: <http://tiny.cc/TKP2021-Register>





**Please join us on Sunday, June 6, 2021  
as our Church Schools celebrate  
the end of a fruitful school year.**

Students and families of our Sunday and Armenian Schools will attend a Special Assembly Program in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Hall at 10:30 a.m., followed by a Special Awards Ceremony in the Church sanctuary at the end of services.



Following Church services, the congregation is invited to join our Church School families for an **End of Year outdoor picnic** (weather permitting)

**Complimentary lunch will be provided**