

Sunday, Sept 19, 2021
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

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Celebrant: The Pastor

SUNDAY BULLETIN



The City of Cambridge has issued an emergency order requiring that face masks or coverings be worn in indoor public places - this includes Houses of Worship.

The order takes effect at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 3, 2021. Holy Trinity Church and it's members and friends will be required to abide by these new safety measures.

Beginning September 3, masks will be required in the sanctuary and in all church complex buildings.

When attending services in-person, please remember:

- **Safety measures that will continue**
- **Pews will remain taped off to support distancing**
- **Masks will be made available if you need one**
- **Our cleaning protocols will remain in place**
- **Hand sanitizer will continue to be made available at the entrance of church and at the side altars**
- **Kiss of Peace will be conducted by bowing the head toward others without approaching or touching on another**
- **Confession will be done in place at your pew**
- **Holy Communion will continue to be distributed using safe practices**

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.****

From Today's Bible Reading

Mark 10:1-12 Since divorce was easily obtainable by Jewish men in 1st century Palestine, Jesus had a particular point to make when He spoke about the sanctity of the marriage vow. *Reflection: Deuteronomy 24:1 confirms that a husband could simply write his own certificate of divorce and dismiss his wife from the marriage. Jesus reminds the Pharisees that when God created men and women, He created them to be together and that what He intended for them should be honored. The Armenian Church takes the importance of marriage so seriously that while it acknowledges that there might be compelling reasons for a marriage to be dissolved, it is a sad event that calls for thoughtful reflection. Second marriage rituals have a penitential character. Do you think marriage is important for happiness? What qualities are essential for that relationship to thrive?*

2 Corinthians 10:18-11:10 St. Paul defends his teaching against those who preach a different “gospel;” his witness is always focused on Jesus Christ. He humbly does what he can to support himself in his work, thus avoiding being a burden. *Reflection: St. Paul proposes a metaphor of marriage when he says (v. 2), “I promised you to one husband, to Christ...” What does this suggest about our relationship with our Lord?*

Isaiah 14: 3-17 These verses refer to the fall of Babylon (Babylon had taken the Hebrews into captivity in a catastrophic episode known as the Babylonian Exile, c 587-537 BC) and eloquently sing of how the mightiest, the most terrible rulers are eventually in their graves, defeated by death. *Reflection: What might the “pomp” and the “noise of harps” (v.11) be for you in your life, meaning, what do you take pride and pleasure in that might actually be distracting you from God and that is destined to end unlike God’s eternal love?*

Tuesday, September 21, commemorates St. Shushan

Shushan was the daughter of the Armenian national hero and saint Vartan Mamigonian and wife of Varsken, a nobleman of Armenian/ Iranian descent who renounced Christianity in favor of Mazdeism to secure his position with the ruling Persians. Varsken demanded the same from his wife and when she refused, he had her imprisoned and tortured for seven years. To her last breath, she proclaimed Jesus as her Lord and Savior. Strengthening her in her resolve were a relic of Christ’s cross and a gospel that she had received as a gift from her grandfather, the renowned Catholicos Sahag Bartev. She died in 458 AD at the age of 45. She is honored as well in the Georgian Orthodox Church; the account of her martyrdom is the oldest extant work of Georgian literature. *Reflection: Describe your relationship with the Lord. Would it be easily abandoned in the face of adversity?*

Readings of the Day:

Is. 14:3-17. 2 Cor. 10:18-11-10. Mk. 10:1-12.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to
St. Luke, chapter 9, vs. 21-27 and will be read by Sona Tashjian.

September 19, 2021 Hokehankisd

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

- **Armenian Volunteer Soldiers (Gamavors).**
- **Yeretzgin Diane Vidian Chevian:** On behalf of Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston.
- **Beverly Lorainne Cooper, 40th Day:** Requested by Sonia Dalley for friend.
- **Samuel Malkasian, 40th Day:** Requested by Sandra & Kevin Farrell for uncle.
- **Crosby (Khachig) Goshgarian Sr., 6th Anniversary:** Requested by Crosby Jr. & Flo Goshgarian, Gregory Goshgarian, Kenneth, Caroline & Jack Goshgarian and Alison, Nicholas & Cameron Coletta for father and papa.
- **Maline (Marge) Goshgarian, 12th Anniversary:** Requested by Crosby Jr. & Flo Goshgarian, Gregory Goshgarian, Kenneth, Caroline & Jack Goshgarian and Alison, Nicholas & Cameron Coletta for mother and grammy.
- **George Krikor Malkasian, 15th Anniversary, Rose Mokgosian Malkasian, 19th Anniversary:** Requested by the Malkasian Family and Suzanne & Mark Sheridan for parents, grandparents and great-grandparents.
- **Dr. Zareh Demirjian, Nazareth and Meliné Demirjian, Albert and Naomi Balukjian:** Requested by Margo Demirjian for husband and parents; Dr. Aram & Alexis Demirjian for father and grandparents; Talinn Demirjian for father and grandparents; Meliné, Charles and Aram Demirjian for grandparent and great grandparents.
- **Joseph and Maria Barbarian:** Requested by John Barberian; Mr. & Mrs. Michael Barberian and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Norine Pasquarello and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Barberian and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Oliveira and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Foley; Kevin Barberian for parents and grandparents.
- **Arsen & Alice Parseghian, Siranoush Parseghian:** Requested by Shant & Reem Parseghian and Aara & Raffi for parents, grandparents, aunt and great-aunt.
- **Dn. John, Rose, Nerses & Jack Haroutunian:** From the Dn. John, Rose, Nerses, Jack and George Haroutunian Trust Fund.
- **Haroutun Harry Kezarjian and Virgine Mazmanian:** From the Trust Fund established by Virgine Mazmanian.
- **Charles & Virginia Manick:** From their Trust Fund.
- **Krikor, Margaret (Berjouhi), Elizabeth & Krikor Roopenian:** From the Trust Fund established by Elizabeth & Krikor Roopenian.
- **Florence Pepi, Arsha Sarkisian, Dickran & Elmas Sarkisian, Hripsime Sarkisian, and Mariam Sarkisian:** From the Trust Fund established by Florence Pepi.

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 **Nishan Tikijian**;
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.

Prayers of thanksgiving and praise for the healing of **Ruegg Quibell**.

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 Jaime & Rebecca O'Donnell who baptized their daughter, Camille Nora, today in our Church.**

We welcome Camille into our Christian family of the Holy Trinity Church and pray that Almighty God may keep her under His loving care.*

The Holy Trinity Church has received requests for information about part time help for elderly Armenians in and outside of Cambridge area.

- **An elderly Armenian man, former MIT engineer, living in Cambridge, Massachusetts needs help in shopping, cleaning, driving to doctor appointments, etc.**
- **An elderly woman, living in Cape Cod, needs help and companionship of an Armenian woman.**

If you are able to provide such help and for more information, please call the Holy Trinity Armenian church office at 617-354-0632



Welcome HOME Sunday

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING DAY OCTOBER 3, 2021

ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

REGISTRATION LINK
tiny.cc/sundayschool2021

CLASSES WILL MEET **IN PERSON**
BEGINNING **OCTOBER 3, 2021**

CLASSES WILL MEET WEEKLY FROM
10:30 A.M. TO NOON.

STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH & SAFETY
PRECAUTIONS WILL BE IN EFFECT

- WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR CDC, STATE AND LOCAL GUIDELINES FOR UP-TO-DATE RECOMMENDATIONS
- HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL PROTOCOLS WILL REFLECT CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS
- HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS WILL BE PROVIDED IN DETAIL IN THE ONLINE REGISTRATION MATERIALS, AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING BACK OUR STUDENTS AND RECONNECTING WITH OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL FAMILIES!

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT YN. ARPI KOUZOUIAN, SUPERINTENDENT
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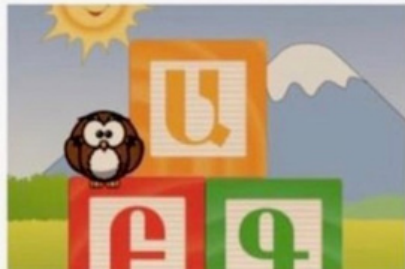


HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN SCHOOL

145 Brattle St., Cambridge MA 02138

Cordially invites all children
and youth to participate in its Armenian School Program
for the 2021-2022 academic year

First day of classes: Sunday October 3, 2021
9:30am



Classes are taught in Eastern Armenian in
three grade levels for students ages 4-16.
Classes include Armenian literature,
history, singing, painting, and more.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
PLEASE CALL: (617) 842-6552





HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO AN

2021 International Food Festival

SUNDAY | OCT 3 | 12 NOON - 3PM
Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall | 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA

SAMPLE AUTHENTIC CUISINE FROM
Armenia Brazil China France Greece
India Italy Persia Spain

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| Adults | \$15 |
| Children (12 or younger) | \$10 |



International wine
and beer will be sold





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*Thank You
to all of our 2021
picnic volunteers and sponsors*

you are what makes our picnic a success!

& thank you to all who attended and
supported our annual picnic this year!



Adult Christian Education

SEPT. 21 - DEC. 14
EVERY TUESDAY
7:00 PM (EST)

Vemkar is very excited to announce the launch of our Adult

Christian Education program! This 12-part online live session series aims to shepherd the faithful of the Armenian Church into mature disciples of Christ. Every Tuesday from September 21 to December 14, a session will be held by an expert member of our Diocesan body concerning all aspects of adult Christian life. Bring your Bible, a prayerful attitude, and let us all build in our knowledge of Christ!

Areas of study include:

- Scripture
- Liturgical tradition
- Armenian Church history and teachings
(History, Saints, Church Fathers, Music, Art etc.)
- Prayer

Visit the program page on Vemkar's website to register for live sessions!

<https://vemkar.us/adult-christian-education>

Fellowship Hour is Back!

You are all welcome to join us in the Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall following Church Services for Fellowship Hour hosted by the Women of Holy Trinity.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Morning Service - 9:15 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 10 a.m.

Services conclude - 12 Noon.

We urge our faithful to attend Church Services on time.

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

Tues, Sept 21 Armenian Independence Day

Sun, Oct 3 Sunday School Opening Day;

Peter Adamian Hall, 10:30am- 12 noon

Armenian School Opening Day;

Peter Adamian Hall, 9:30am- 10:30am

International Food Festival;

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12 noon- 3pm

Wed, Oct 6 First Wednesdays Series Returns;

October's theme is "Love Must Be Sincere;"

Johnson Hall, 6:45pm -7:30pm

Tues, Oct 26 Father Vasken offering services;

Armenian Nursing Home; 10:30am

Sun, Nov 21 ACYOA Thanksgiving Luncheon



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<https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch/>**

**If you know someone who you'd like to see featured in the
Parishioner Spotlight, please let us know!**

Send email to Lori Dorian at intern@htaac.org