

Sunday, October 10, 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 took 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.

**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 12:35-44 To those gathered around him in the temple courts, Jesus boldly challenges the teachers of the law for dismissing Him as a mere son of David rather than David's Lord and God's Son. He contrasts their pompous self-importance and the wealthy with a poor widow who gives a much greater share of what she has to the temple offering. *Reflection: A poor, nameless widow caught Jesus' eye in her act of generosity. Would your spirit of giving to the poor, to all in need, do the same? Say a prayer of thanks to her for providing once upon a time in Jerusalem, in humble innocence, an example the Lord deemed worthy for all time.*

Galatians 2:1-10 St. Paul is addressing the validity of his ministry to the Gentiles (non-Jews), confirming that even the church leaders knew it to be important and true. (Conservative traditionalists thought non-Jews needed to become Jews first before accepting Christ.) Poignantly, he is reminded by these leaders to always remember the poor. *Reflection: Based on these verses, what do you think a person needs to do/to be in choosing to follow Christ? Pray for a humble heart, open to the suffering in the world.*

Isaiah 19:1-11 Isaiah asserts that even Egypt, a great and fearful power upon which people depended, is subject to God's will; their idols would be crushed and their destiny cruelly altered. *Reflection: "The Lord rides on a swift cloud and is coming to Egypt...the idols of Egypt tremble before Him (19:1). What a beautiful image! Replace the word Egypt with your own home/town/country. What idols would tremble? In these troubling times, pray for God's presence.*

Holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John (Saturday, October 16)

The four Gospels are among the most beloved books of the Bible. As those who lived during Jesus' time began to age and die, people felt it important to record the accounts of those who had known Him. There were many gospels circulating in the early centuries of the church. But the gospels that grew widely popular, were read most often, and sanctioned by the church elders entered the canon. These four Gospels are considered sacred biographies for although they are certainly biographical and historical, they are primarily a personal witness to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as understood by a particular writer, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

During Badarak, when the deacon elevates the Gospel book over his head or whenever we kiss the Gospel book, we are lovingly acknowledging its value and authority in our lives. As Christians, we are called to be the Gospel. God has chosen us to be His evangelists and inspire others to experience Jesus Christ.

Readings of the Day:

Is. 19:1-11. Gal. 2:1-10. Mk. 12:35-44.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 12, vs. 35-44 and will be read by Robert Dulgarian.

October 10, 2021 Hokehankisd

- **His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem and beloved former Primate of the Eastern Diocese, 9th Anniversary:** Per a directive from the Primate.
- **The Rev. Fr. Papken & Yn. Azadouhie Maksoudian:** From the Trust Fund established by James M. Kalustian.
- **All Deceased Members of the Compatriotic Union of Gurin.**
- **Asken Boghosian, Sarkis B. Boghosian, Julia Boghosian and Esther McQuaid:** From the Trust Fund established by Esther McQuaid and Julia Boghosian.



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 Ara Hollisian**; 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.*



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Please help support our annual Trinity Christmas Bazaar by becoming a sponsor.

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Goal \$8,000

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Goal \$3,000

In Memory Of / General Donation

The 2021 Bazaar will take place on the weekend of December 4th

General donations are also welcome with much appreciation

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

If you would like to be a sponsor of the
2021 Holy Trinity Annual Christmas Bazaar:

Please make checks payable to Holy Trinity Armenian Church

To pay by credit card please call the church office at 617-354-0632



Throughout the day, life hands us questions for which we seek answers. Each month, we discuss one of these life questions through the lens of our Christian Faith.

Below are the topics for this year. We warmly welcome you to join our ongoing conversation.

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| October 6, 2021 Imagine a world without love | February 2, 2022 Celebrate Human Rights Everyday |
| November 3, 2021 Prayer is like a knock on the door | March 2, 2022 Is Life Unfair? |
| December 8, 2021* How Can We Experience God's Guidance? *Second Wednesday | April 6, 2022 The Chalice of: Life, Hope of Resurrection, & Forgiveness . . . |
| January 12, 2022* The Seed That Bears Fruit *Second Wednesday | May 4, 2022 Even In the Hills & Valleys . . .We Are Not Alone |



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Relaxed and fun atmosphere

Just bring your positive attitude and passion for harmony



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Vemkar is 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!

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 Trinity Men's Union (TMU).

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

- Wed, Oct 6** **First Wednesdays Series Returns;**
October's theme is "Imagine a world without love;"
Johnson Hall, 6:45pm -7:30pm
- Mon, Oct 11** ***Office Closed for Columbus Day***
- Wed, Oct 20** **PC Meeting;** Johnson Hall, 6:45pm
- Tues, Oct 26** **Father Vasken offering services;**
Armenian Nursing Home; 10:30am
- Wed, Oct 6** **First Wednesdays Series Returns;**
October's theme is "Prayer is like a knock on the door;"
Johnson Hall, 6:45pm -7:30pm
- Sun, Oct 10** **ACYOA Juniors Youth Leadership Team Inaugural Meeting;**
Youth Room, 12:15pm -2pm
- Sun, Oct 17** **ACYOA Juniors Kick-Off Gathering;**
Peter Adamian Hall, 12:15pm- 1:30pm – *All youth ages 12 and up welcome.*
- Sat, Oct 23** **ACYOA Juniors CT/MA Fall Retreat,**
Hosted by Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection; New Britain, CT
- Sat, Nov 6** **ACYOA Seniors National Fall Retreat, Hosted by Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors**
- Sun, Nov 21** **ACYOA Thanksgiving Luncheon**



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