

Sunday, October 24, 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 its 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

Matthew 24:27-36 Although no one but the Father knows the exact day or hour, Jesus speaks of His return as unmistakable, as clear as the fig tree's transformation when summer draws near.. He will appear in the sky with power and great glory and will send His angels with a loud trumpet blast to gather the elect from the four corners of the world. *Reflection: What does it mean, practically, to be ready for Jesus' return if we do not know when that will be? If it were tomorrow, are you ready to eagerly present yourself to Him, or hang back in embarrassment?*

I Corinthians 1:18-24 St. Paul talks about the different reactions to the message of the cross. Some believed it to be foolish; others believed it to be offensive; it was a stumbling block to those who sought a sign of worldly power and wisdom. God's foolishness and weakness are wiser and stronger than anything non-believers could readily understand! *Reflection: Where do you derive the wisdom and strength to be happy? Pray for God's wisdom that you might understand the true, life-transforming message of the cross.*

Isaiah 33:22-34:1 Isaiah encourages God's people to place their trust in Him. As in today's reading from Wisdom, we encounter images of a ship in disarray. *Reflection: With what four roles is Jesus (Lord) identified in verse 22? (Judge, lawgiver, king, savior). How can each guide your behavior?*

Wis.14: 1-8 On the Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross as well as the earlier Feast of the Exaltation, this reading (which can only be found in the Armenian Bible or a Bible that includes the Deuterocanonical books) offers an image of a floundering ship and the raft that brings people to safety. "The people trust their lives to the smallest piece of wood ...for blessed is the wood by which righteousness comes..." (14:5-7) – a reference for Christians to the Cross of Christ and the true path to salvation (as opposed to wooden idols). *Reflection: Do you trust your life to God's sovereignty? If not, what idols are your gods?*

Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross

In the 4th century, the Emperor Constantine sent his mother Queen Helena to find the actual cross upon which Christ was crucified. She found the site (c.326), but three crosses were there. To authenticate the true cross of Christ, the body of a young man who had recently died was placed on each cross. The Holy Cross of Christ was 'discovered' when the deceased youth came back to life! Christians in Jerusalem began to venerate that cross, and since then it has been broken into fragments and dispersed among various churches. There is a fragment of the cross in Etchmiadzin, as well as in St. Vartan Cathedral in New York City. *Reflection: Although this was a discovery made long ago, even today we are called to discover the mystery of the cross in our daily lives. Are you willing to transform your life by taking up the cross, and allowing its power to give you new life in Christ?*

Readings of the Day:

Wis. 14:1-8. Is. 33:22-34:1. 1 Cor. 1:18-24. Mt. 24:27-36.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 14, vs. 22-33 and will be read by Bruce Newell.

October 24, 2021 Hokehankisd

- **Zaven Giragosian, 40th Day:** Requested by Linda Giragosian, Lisa Giragosian, Polly Giragosian and Sue Giragosian for husband and father.
- **Anne Vartanian, 10th Anniversary:** Requested by Walter Vartanian, Regina & Berj Najarian & Family, Greg & Sonia Vartanian & Family, Carol & Alex Khalarian & Family for wife, mother and grandmother.
- **All Deceased Clergy Who Have Served Our Parish.**
- **All Deceased Members of Holy Trinity Church and Its Building Committee.**
- **Hovsep Skenderian:** Requested by Armen & Susan Skenderian for father.
- **Khoren & Nazen Teperdjian, Zohrab Teperdjian, Nubar Teperdjian, Richard Teperdjian and John Annaian:** Requested by Ed & Janet Annaian for parents, brothers, nephew and son.
- **Alan David Karchakian, Isaac Karchakian, and Mary Karchakian:** From the Trust Fund established by Isaac Karchakian and Mary Karchakian.
- **Rev. Der Hagop & Yn. Varter Paretchanian, Aaron & Takouhie Paretchanian, Harootune & Zagig Keljikian, George Paretchan, and Koren Albert & Veronica Paretchan:** From the Trust Fund established by Mrs. K. Albert Paretchan.



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.*



Today is Bible Sunday!



At the conclusion of Church services, students in Grade 3, and those in Grades 4 or higher that are new to our Sunday School, will be presented with their own Holy Bible, the key to our spiritual heritage.

The following students will be presented with Bibles on Sunday:

Mya Bethune, Henry Jones, Cátya Krikorian, Evelyn Mancilikli (Grade 3); Zaven Grubb (Grade 4); Vatche Balikian (Grade 5)

We look forward to having our parishioners and friends join us to witness the passing on of this Good Book to our newest generation, so that they too can begin a lifelong journey of reading, learning from and living the Word of God.

The ACYOA of Holy Trinity Armenian Church invite you to their annual



Thanksgiving LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Immediately following church services
Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall

ADULTS \$16 | Children under 12 & ACYOA Juniors \$10

Please reserve online at tiny.cc/acyoathanksgiving2021 or
fill out and return form with payment payable to "Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors"
Tables of 6-8 reserved with full payment. Table maximum is 8*

ADVANCED PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED—NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Reservation deadline is 5 p.m. on Monday, November 15, 2021

LUNCHEON SAFETY MEASURES

In compliance with an emergency order issued by the City of Cambridge, all attendees at the Thanksgiving Luncheon **must wear face masks** covering the nose and mouth **at all times while standing and while seated, except when eating or drinking.**

We thank our guests for helping to keep our community safe by abiding by these safety measures.

*To allow for social distancing, we have set a **reduced capacity in the hall**. Reserve early to avoid disappointment.

10% of proceeds will benefit



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2021 *Holy Trinity* *Grab & Go Christmas Bazaar*

Saturday, December 4

Pick up time: 12pm- 3pm & 4pm- 6pm

Sunday, December 5

Pick up time: 12pm- 3:30pm
(orders cannot be picked up while church is in session)

www.TrinityChristmasBazaar.org

Orders can also be placed by phone with a credit card by calling the church office at (617) 354-0632

Pre-order, Pre-pay, Pick-up

Online ordering begins: **October 25th**

Shop all your favorite bazaar booths until: **November 29th at midnight**

Armenian Food

Lamb Shish Kebab • Losh Kebab • Chicken Kebab • Eetch Platter

Virtual Booths

Pastry Booth • Gourmet Booth • Country Store • Wreaths • Armenian Wines





Holy Trinity's 2021 Christmas Bazaar Sponsorship Opportunities

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

Bazaar Meals - \$1,000

Goal \$10,000

The Gourmet Booth - \$1,000

Goal \$10,000

Pastry Booth - \$500

Goal \$8,000

Printing Postage & Ads - \$500

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



First Wednesday of every month • Johnson Hall or virtual on zoom • 6:45pm - 7:45pm

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.

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



2021 ACYOA Seniors National Fall Retreat

*Join us as we reconnect through these regional,
day-long retreats from 11am - 5pm!*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

St. Leon Armenian Church
Fair Lawn, NJ

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Holy Trinity Armenian Church
Cambridge, MA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

St. James Armenian Church
Evanston, IL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Virtual Retreat | Zoom
7 - 8:30pm ET | 6 - 7:30pm CT



Registration & Information:

<https://bit.ly/ACYOANFR2021>



 *Calling all ACYOA Juniors!*

ACYOA Juniors

CT/MA Fall Retreat

Join us for a day-long
retreat of fun,
fellowship, and food!

REGISTER HERE:
tinyurl.com/2021ACYOAJuniorsFR

SAT, OCT 23 • 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM



HOLY RESURRECTION, NEW BRITAIN, CT

Coordinated by the Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
of the Diocese of the Armenian Church (Eastern)



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).



Like to sing?

Come join Holy Trinity's MEN'S CHOIR

Men of all ages are welcome

No experience necessary

Relaxed and fun atmosphere

Just bring your positive attitude and passion for harmony!

Rehearsals on Sundays at 12:30

For more information contact Crosby Goshgarian

(781) 799-7899

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, Oct 26** Father Vasken offering services; Armenian Nursing Home; 10:30am
Wed, Nov 3 Manti-Making; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 10am-3pm
Sat, Nov 6 ACYOA Seniors National Fall Retreat,
Hosted by Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors
Sun, Nov 21 ACYOA Thanksgiving Luncheon;
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural, following church services
Sun, Nov 28 Timeless Classics Concert
Sat, Dec 4 & Sun, Dec 5 Holy Trinity Grab & Go Christmas Bazaar
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***Genocide Continued....
Azerbaijan Attempts to Rewrite History
Through Ethnic and Cultural Cleansing***

A commemorative event to honor the victims of the 44-Day war in Artsakh

Memorial Service:

Led by the Honorable Armenian Clergy of the Eastern Massachusetts

Guest Speaker:

His Excellency, Mr. Artak Beglaryan State Minister, Republic of Artsakh

Sunday, November 7, 2021, at 2:30 PM

Armenian Heritage Park, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway, Boston

Rain or shine | limited seating available at venue