

Sunday, February 6, 2022  
**Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston**

**Father Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor**  
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**Celebrant: The Pastor**

**SUNDAY BULLETIN**



**The Holy Trinity sanctuary is large enough to accommodate appropriate social distancing. Masks are required in the sanctuary, regardless of vaccination status.**

**However, we encourage those who are concerned about COVID-19 to join us on our Facebook Live Stream.**

**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

**John 6:15-21** The disciples row across the Sea of Galilee to join Jesus where He has withdrawn after teaching and feeding thousands. As happens often on this body of water, a storm arises suddenly. Rowing desperately, they see Jesus walking towards them on the water. They are terrified of the sight, but He calls out to them reassuringly: “It is I; do not be afraid.” Jesus joins them in the boat and they safely reach land. *Reflection: These times remind us that our lives are not unlike the disciples’ boat – we sail along fully equipped with sails and oars and yet sudden storms render these useless. Allow this powerful story of our Lord as master of the wind and the waves to comfort you. Place your fear in His almighty hands and let Him safely guide you to where “you are heading.”* (v.21)

**2 Tim 2:15-26** Continuing to advise his protégé (see last Sunday’s Scripture Notes for vv 15-19), St. Paul asks Timothy to be a holy vessel, useful for the Lord’s purposes; to flee youthful desires that can lead one astray; and to avoid ‘stupid arguments’ by responding kindly and without resentment. To counter false teachings, he recommends instructing people gently. *Reflection: What an excellent moment in time to be reminded of the futility of “stupid arguments” and the importance of kindness! Pray that this advice governs your own behavior.*

**Is 61:10-62:9** Isaiah 61 sings of the restoration of the Jews (returning from exile and despairing of rebuilding their city and community to its former glory) as people of God. They will now be clothed in metaphorically appropriate clothing - in “garments of salvation” and “robes of righteousness.” (v.10) These images appear in the Armenian rites of baptism and ordination as well as in the priest’s vesting prayers before the Divine Liturgy. (See last Sunday’s Scripture Notes for vv 62:1-9) *Reflection: “I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God” says the renewed people of God. (61:10) Can you say the same? Start all your prayers this week with this verse from Isaiah. Sing it!*

### February 12: St. Sarkis the Warrior

“Warrior” might seem a curious word for describing a saint! And yet the imagery of spiritual warfare is deeply biblical. There were also many soldiers and generals (St Vartan) who fought for their faith, standing firm and courageous for Christ. Sarkis was a soldier of Greek descent in Emperor Constantine’s army. When Emperor Julian took the throne in 361, he began to zealously promote traditional Roman paganism instead of the Christian faith legitimized by Emperor Constantine in 313. This earned him the title “Apostate.” Under threat of persecution, Sarkis and his son Mardiros sought the protection of King Tiran of Armenia. From there, he went to serve in the Persian army, where he and his son won many converts to Christianity. When they refused to worship pagan idols, father and son were martyred. Fourteen Persian soldiers whom Sarkis had converted to Christianity risked their lives to bury the general’s body and they too were executed. In the fifth century, Mesrob Mashdotz moved the saint’s remains to Armenia. *Reflection: In what ways can you be a “warrior for Christ”?*

## **Readings of the Day:**

Is. 61:10-62:29. 2 Tm. 2:15-26. Jn. 6:15-21.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 6, vs. 15-21 and will be read by Robert Dulgarian.

## **February 6, 2022 Hokehankisd**

- **Siranoosh Martin, 1st Anniversary:** Requested by Glenn & Karen Herosian and Carly, Aria and Alexis Herosian for mother and grandmother; Zarouhi Sarkisan; Silva Sedrakian
- **Linda Sarkisian, 1st Anniversary:** Requested by John & Ruthie M. Falletti; Anna and Gladys Medzorian for cousin.
- **Anne Aroyan, 5th Anniversary:** Requested by Judy, Cory and Sarah Shaughnessey for mother and grandmother.
- **Daniel P. Cordero, 10th Anniversary:** Requested by Michele M. Kolligian; Nancy R. Kolligian; Daniel K. and Lisa Kolligian Dorian, Ashley Dorian Martin and Amanda Dorian Keller; Henry Gostanian; Janice Dorian.
- **Shirley Gazarian, 20th Anniversary:** Requested by Charles Gazarian for wife ; Richard Gazarian for mother.
- **Marilyn Ann Ekizian, 30th Anniversary:** Requested by Alison Ekizian & Ty Edwards for mother; Eve Edwards for grandmother.
- **Sarah Goolkasian, 35th Anniversary:** Requested by Goolkasian, Yacubian, Kalajian and Ellakkis Families for mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

*\*Altar flowers will be donated in loving memory of Sarah Goolkasian by her family.\**

## **Fellowship Hour**

You are all welcome to join us following Church Services  
for Fellowship Hour hosted by the Women of Holy Trinity.

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## **Upcoming Sunday Feast Days**

*February 27 – Great Barekendan*

*March 6 – Sunday of Expulsion*

*March 13 – Sunday of the Prodigal Son*

*March 20 – Sunday of the Steward*

*March 27 – Sunday of the Judge*

*April 3 - Sunday of the Advent*

*April 10 – Palm Sunday*

*April 17 – Easter Sunday*

# **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 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 am on Thursday to ensure Der Vasken has the name of your loved one.\**

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## **IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER**

If severe inclement weather affects Sunday School and Armenian School classes, Church Services, Sunday activities or activities and programs during the week, this information will appear in the following media:

- On TV Channels 4 (WBZ) and CBSBoston.com, Channel 5 (WCVB) and TheBostonChannel.com, Channels 7 and 56, as well as their websites;
- Church's answering machine at 617.354.0632;
- An Email "Alert" sent to parishioners through the Constant Contact software program;
- Holy Trinity's website, [www.htaac.org](http://www.htaac.org); and
- Holy Trinity's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch](https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch)

HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH PROUDLY PRESENTS

# 2nd Annual Valentine's Day Dinner to Go

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FEBRUARY 13TH



Enjoy a meal lovingly prepared by Holy Trinity.  
Pre-Order now & Pick-up Sunday, February 13,  
immediately after church services 12 - 2 PM

Losh Dinner, Shish Dinner, or Combo  
Chicken Dinner  
\$18.00 per meal

*(includes salad, pilaf, bread, and a Valentine's Day Surprise!)*

Frozen Losh Available  
\$18.00 per half dozen

Grab extra dinners and frozen losh for the Super Bowl that night!

Order online or call the Church Office at  
617.354.0632

(A limited number of meals will be available to walk-ups,  
but to ensure your favorite is available, please pre-order)

This event is sponsored by Greg Kolligian, Richard Diranian, and Ed Danielson





# FIRST WEDNESDAYS

A BREATH OF GOD

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 . . .

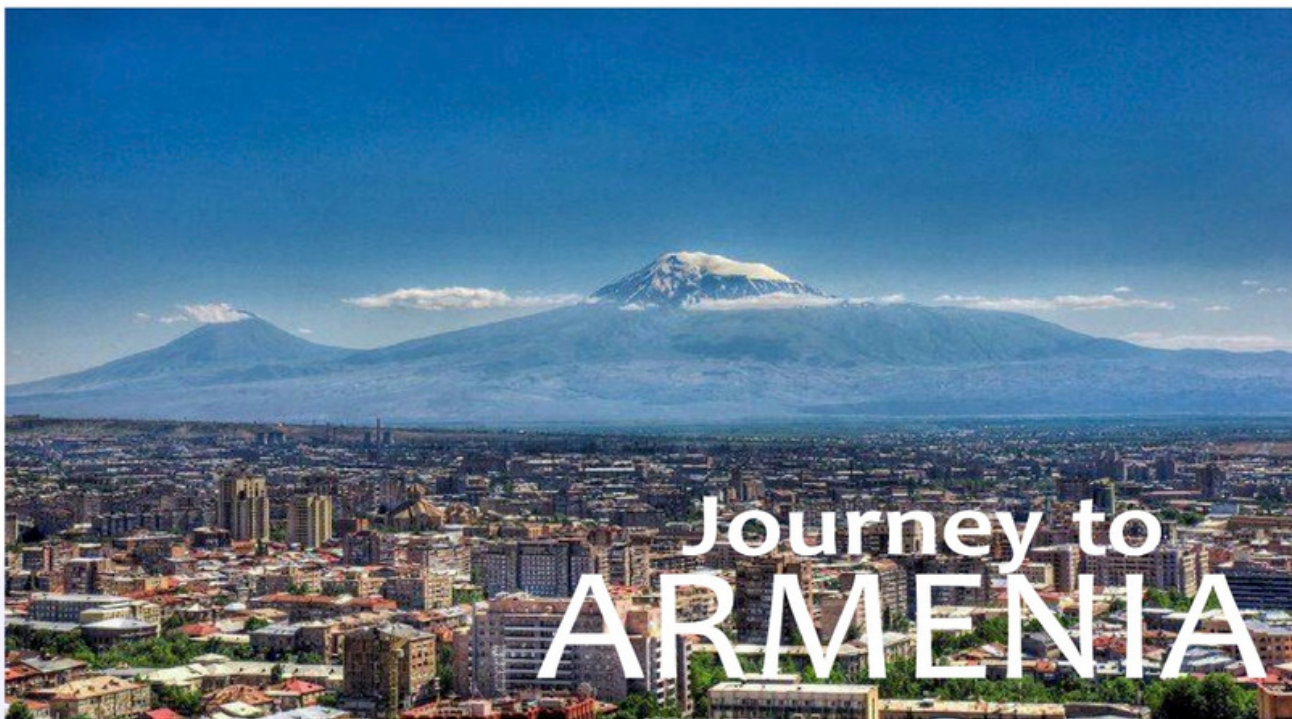
**January 12, 2022\***

The Seed That Bears Fruit

\*Second Wednesday

**May 4, 2022**

Even In the Hills & Valleys  
. . .We Are Not Alone



# Journey to ARMENIA

**Holy Trinity Armenian Church  
Our 6<sup>th</sup> Parish Pilgrimage to Armenia  
Led by Fr. Vasken Kouzouian, Pastor  
June 22-July 4, 2022**

**Registration  
Deadline:  
Feb. 15, 2022**

*Featuring visits to:*

Etchmiadzin~Yerevan & Armenian Genocide Memorial~Khor Virab &  
Noravank~Lake Sevan & Dilijan~Garni & Geghard~Lori and Gyumri ~Datev

**Trip Includes:** Round-trip airfare from BOS; Full transportation and transfers in Armenia as specified in itinerary; Breakfast and Lunch/Dinner according to the itinerary; Marriott Hotel accommodation (Double occupancy) subject to change; Entrance fee to all sightseeing destinations; Tour Guide (English).

**Cost per person (based on double occupancy): \$3,095**  
Space is limited.

*For more information, contact:*

[Office@htaac.org](mailto:Office@htaac.org) or 617-354-0632

or

[SIMATours@gmail.com](mailto:SIMATours@gmail.com) (610) 359-7521





## 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.

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# HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

<b>Tues, Feb 8</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting;</b> Johnson Hall, 6:30pm
<b>Sun, Feb 13</b>	<b>2nd Annual Valentine's Dinner To-Go;</b> Pick-Up at the rear door of the Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12pm-2pm.
<b>Mon, Feb 21</b>	<b>Presidents' Day- <i>Church Office Closed</i></b>
<b>Sun, Mar 6</b>	<b>Annual Parish Assembly;</b> Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12:30pm ( <i>Snow Date- Sunday, March 13th</i> )
<b>Mon, June 20</b>	<b><u>SAVE THE DATE-</u> <i>Details to follow</i></b> <b>The 2022 Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament</b>

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*For questions or help organizing a pick-up contact Ani Inguilizian at [ani.inguilizian@gmail.com](mailto:ani.inguilizian@gmail.com)*

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