### Sunday, April 24, 2022 Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

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# Celebrant: The Pastor SUNDAY BULLETIN



Today is the Feast of the Armenian Genocide Martyrs &

New Sunday (Nor Giragi), the first Sunday after Easter and commemorates the Resurrection of Christ.

Per the City of Cambridge's revised mask mandate, masks are optional in the sanctuary and in all church complex buildings.

\*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:**

Acts 5:34-6:7. Jas 3:1-12. Jn 1:1-17. Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 1, vs. 1-17 and will be read by Bruce Newell.

### From Today's Bible Reading

**John 1:1-17** These renowned and eloquent verses testify to the presence of God the Son from the very creation of the world (vv 2-5) to his Incarnation; Jesus Christ was the ultimate revelation of God's presence, glory, and enduring love. John the Baptist was called to be a witness so that "all people might believe." *Reflection: Jesus made His dwelling "among us."* (v 14). How much have you allowed Him to "dwell" with you? Are you keeping Him at the door? In the living room? Or have you given Him the keys?

Acts 5:34-6:7 Two important events are recounted here. In the first, the teacher of the law Gamaliel exhorts the apostles' antagonists to let them continue Jesus' work, since if their purpose is godly they will prevail over any force against them anyway. The second details the first "ordination" as men are called and consecrated to assist the apostles in caring for the poor. St. Stephen was foremost among them and is considered the first 'deacon' of the Church. *Reflection: Despite the warning that they not preach the Good News, the apostles joyfully continued to proclaim Jesus as the Christ* (5:41-42). How might you share this news today?

**James 3:1-12** The apostle James explains the great harm that speech (the tongue) can cause. He compares the tongue's power to the bit in a horse's mouth or the rudder of a huge ship something so small having the power to give incredible direction; but also potentially as disastrous as the tiny spark that can burn down a forest. *Reflection: James wonders how we are able to both praise God and revile others with the same lips. How can salt water and fresh water flow from the same source?* (vv 9-12) How would you answer him? Where do you need to make changes in how you talk?

#### **Today is New Sunday**

New Sunday (Nor Giragi) is the first Sunday after Easter. It commemorates the Resurrection of Christ and is therefore often called Second Easter (Grgnazadig). The Sabbath was originally on Saturday, the end of the seven-day week and the day on which God rested after creation. But in the early church, Christians began to celebrate the day of the Resurrection as the Sabbath so that the new day for resting in God became Sunday. In theological terms, it became the 8th day and the 1st day of the week, signifying both fulfillment and beginning. The day's Gospel reading summarizes the mission of Jesus Christ, God the Son, who existed from the beginning as God and participated in the creation. He became human to bring us into the light, to guide us out of our spiritual darkness. New Sunday also bears a message for the growth of the Church. *Reflection: Following last week's joyous celebration of the Lord's Resurrection, in what ways can Sunday be renewed for you? How can it be a true "fulfillment and beginning"?* 

### April 24, 2022 Hokehankisd

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

- Anne Aykanian, 2nd Anniversary: Requested by Nancy Aykanian and David, Anna and Kira Aykanian for mother and grandmother; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian and Family, Anne Krikorian Capizzi for aunt and great-aunt.
- Charles & Alice Nahabedian, George & Catherine Nahabedian, Shumavon & Altoon Zahigian, Paul & Margaret Nahabedian, Diran & Zabelle Zahigian: Requested by Robert Nahabedian, Claudine Louis, Delia and Rainier, Christine, Nicholas and Alyssa Sahagian.
- Arsalus Ozuzun, Artin & Yeran Ozuzun, Haroutune & Zartar Dermovsesian and Berj Tateosian: Requested by Ara & Janet Dermovsesian, Vasken & Arlene Maserejian and Family and Arto & Victoria Dermovsesian and Family parents, grandparents and great-grandparents, sister-in-law, aunt and great-aunt.
- **Thomas Stephanian:** Requested by Julia Stephanian and Family for husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.
- Stephen & Nevart Pauline Azarian: From the Trust Fund established by Major Robert Zaven Zartarian.
- Nuvert, Setrag, Kachig, Zaven & Arsen Daniels: From the Trust Fund established by Arsen and Zaven Daniels.
- Charles & Alice Nahabedian, George & Catherine Nahabedian, Shumavon & Altoon Zahigian, and Paul & Margaret Nahabedian: From the Charles and Alice Nahabedian Trust Fund as requested by Christine Sahagian and Robert Nahabedian for parents, grandparents and uncle & aunt.
- Mardiros T. & Elmas Nahigian, Albert M. & Miriam Nahigian, Alan M. Nahigian, Agnes N. Nahigian, Carney Nahigian, Gertrude Nahigian: From the Trust Fund established by Gertrude Nahigian and Alice Sahagen.
- Charles G. Sahagian, Sarkis & Araxie Sahagian, Virginia Sahagian Sukeaus & John Sahagian: From the Trust Fund established by Charles G. Sahagian.
- Colombe Agavni Samuelian, Sahag, Anna, Samuel, Malcolm, Madeline & Parantzig Samuelian: From the Trust Fund established by Colombe Agavni Samuelian.
- Harry, Esther, Harry Jr., Shirley & Rita Tatarian and Tatarian Kertasdan: From the Harry & Esther Tatarian Family Memorial Fund.
- Garabed, Lousintak, Aram H., and Araxie Tashjian: From the Trust Fund established by Aram and Araxie Tashjian.
- Major Robert Zaven Zartarian, Levon, Louise, Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian: From the Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Charcran Zartarian Trust Fund.

\*Today's Altar Flowers & Candles are donated by Arsen, Zaven, Kachig, Nuvert and Setrag Daniels from the Trust Fund established by Arsen & Zaven Daniels for brother and parents.\*

## **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; John Marsoobian, Sr.** 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 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.\*

### ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

# The Easter flowers were donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar by:

- Tamara & Stephen Gigante in memory of William & Florence Cirino
- Nadia Ann Karnik in memory of Arthur A. Maranian, Sr.

### **Fellowship Hour**

You are all welcome to join us following Church Services for Fellowship Hour hosted by the Trinity Men's Union.

# Please join us today....



Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston Erevan Choral Society and Orchestra Cambridae MA

## **Erevan Choral Society Spring Concert**

In Commemoration of our Sainted Martyrs of 1915



Sunday, April 24, 2022, 1:30 p.m. Church Sanctuary

Composer Konstantin Petrossian Music Director & Conductor

> **Levon Hovsepian** Organ & Piano

Kate Norigian, Soprano Armen Ghazharyan, Violin Guest Soloists

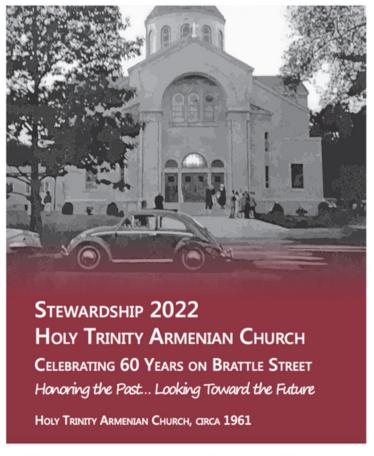
Recitations by Holy Trinity Armenian School students

We invite the Armenian and non-Armenian community to join as we commemorate through music the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide.

This concert is a gift to the community.

- Fr. Vasken A.Kouzouian, Pastor





If you have any questions about becoming a Member or Steward, please call the church office at 617.354.0632





# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



# MOTHER'S DAY GIFT BOX

#### Daughters of Vartan - Arpie Otyag Fundraiser

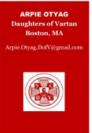
A special gift box for Mother's Day which will also support our charitable projects. The box contains an assortment of Armenian products to delight your mother, aunt, grandmother or sister on Mother's Day Sunday, May 8, 2022.

Items in the box are from Armenian vendors and include: Armenian coffee, Armenian jam, Armenian dried fruit, gata nazooks, honey, mixed nuts, and note cards. All come in a beautifully packaged box that is sure to please, for only \$45. You can order by email to Arpie.Otyag.DofV@gmail.com. Payments can be made by eash or check at pick-up.

Boxes can be picked up on Saturday, April  $30^{th}$  and Saturday, May  $7^{th}$ . Some limited delivery available in the Belmont, Watertown, Cambridge, Lexington area by prior arrangement.

There are a limited number of boxes, so order early!





### Summer Camp Registration NOW OPEN!





#### **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**

- TODAY ACYOA Jr. General Membership Gathering; Peter Adamian Hall,12:15pm Erevan Choral Concert; Church Sanctuary, 1:30pm
- Wed, May 4 First Wednesdays; "Even In the Hills & Valleys...We Are Not Alone" Johnson Hall, 6:45pm-7:30pm
- Sun, May 15 ACYOA Jr. General Membership Gathering; Peter Adamian Hall, 12:15pm
- Sun, May 22 Sunday School Graduation
- Sun, June 5 ACYOA Jr. General Membership Gathering; Peter Adamian Hall, 12:15pm
- Sun, June 12 Sunday School/Armenian School Year End Cookout
- Mon, June 20 <u>SAVE THE DATE- Details to follow</u>
  The 2022 Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament







#### **CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN!**

Renovations to the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall and the Foyer commenced this week. For the next several months, both Talanian Hall and foyer will be closed to the public while under construction. Signage has been placed throughout the complex to direct parishioners.

Please note, there will be absolutely no entry to Talanian Hall via the parking lot or Sparks Street entrance. The foyer restrooms will not be usable. The Sunday school can be accessed by the stairway behind the kitchen or through the choir room. Johnson Hall will be accessible from downstairs or the sanctuary.