

Sunday, August 21, 2022
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

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Celebrant: The Pastor
SUNDAY BULLETIN



Masks are now optional in the sanctuary and in all church complex buildings.
Holy Communion will be distributed using enhanced safety practices.
Approach the altar, make sign of the cross, present the back of your hand, Holy
Communion will be placed on the back of your hand, consume at the altar.

Father Vasken and the Parish Council have been alerted to a City of Cambridge road project, which has the potential to restrict parking and access to Holy Trinity and its grounds. Our current understanding is that the project's focus is on the installation of physically separated bicycle lanes on Brattle Street and Sparks Street. We continue to learn more about the City's plans, its effects on our Church and parishioners, and our options in response. If anyone seeks more information they may ask,

Fr. Vasken, Greg Kolligian, or Bill Melkonian.
Updates will be provided as more becomes evident.

Readings of the Day:

Prv. 11:30-12:4. Zec.2:10-13. 2 Cor. 6:16-7:1. Lk. 1:39-56.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 1, vs. 39-56 and will be read by Sona Tashjian.

From Today's Bible Reading

Zechariah 2:10-13 Preaching after the Jews' return from their exile in Babylon (he himself was born in that exile), Zechariah is an apocalyptic visionary and his ministry hastened the rebuilding of the Temple. In these verses, in covenant language of choice and inheritance, he shares the Lord's promise to dwell again among them, uniting land and people in holiness.

Reflection: "Shout and be glad," the Lord proclaims (v. 10) as He declares His return. How real is this message of hope to you? Enough to make you shout and jump for joy? If not, why not?

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 St. Paul exhorts the faithful of Corinth to consider themselves as temples of the living God. Since God has promised His return to dwell among us in a covenant of love and belonging, we need to purify ourselves in preparation for that day.

Reflection: What does it mean to you that you are the dwelling place of God, a temple of the living God (v. 16)?

Luke 1: 39-56 After the angel Gabriel shares the news that the elderly Elizabeth is pregnant, Mary hastens to visit her. Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit at the sound of Mary's greeting and her baby, who will be John the Baptist, "leaps in her womb." Mary then joyfully sings what comes to be known as "the Magnificat" (after its first words in Latin translation) a song reminiscent of the one sung by Hannah upon hearing she would give birth to the prophet Samuel. Mary celebrates God's mercy, His exalting of the lowly, and His overturning of human pride. *Reflection: Verse 37 is one of the most quoted New Testament verses "For nothing is impossible with God." In what area of your life right now do you need to believe this is so? What keeps you from believing it?*

Tuesday, August 23, is the Feast of Sts. Joachim & Anna

Never mentioned by name in the Gospels, Mary's parents' story comes to us chiefly from an apocryphal gospel, the Infancy Gospel of James, written c. 145 AD. Early Christian gospels and letters focused on Jesus' death and resurrection; later narratives reflected an interest in the birth and childhood of Jesus and His family. According to James, Joachim and Anna were a righteous and wealthy couple who were childless. The beautifully told account of their ordeal of rites and prayers to gain God's favor and, finally, their daughter Mary, is one of passionate faith and touching human emotion. The couple promise her to the Temple out of gratitude, and turn her childhood bedroom into a "sanctuary" (Infancy Gospel of James 6:4) keeping her food, drink and habits faithful to ancient tradition. When Joachim advises they take her to the Temple when she is two, Anna convinces him (he promptly agrees) to wait a year so that they may be with her that much longer and their sweet girl not miss her parents. Theirs is a tender story, and, as always with our beloved saints, driven by love for and faith in God.

August 21, 2022 Hokehankisd

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

- **John Barberian, 40th Day:** Requested by Michael & Gabrielle Barberian and Family; Norine & Mario Pasquarello and Family; Gregory & Nairi Barberian and Family; Susie & Joseph Oliveira and Family; Nancy & Steve Foley; Kevin Barberian for beloved brother, uncle and great-uncle.

- **Gregory Archie Kolligian, 34th Anniversary:** Requested by Nancy R. Kolligian, Lisa Kolligian & Dan Dorian and Michele M. Kolligian for beloved father; Ashley Dorian Martin and Amanda Dorian Keller for grandfather.

- **Gregory Archie Kolligian, 34th Anniversary:** Requested by Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr., Gregory A. III and Jack Avedis for father and grandfather.

- **Sirarpie Der Nersessian:** Requested by Joanne Peterson.

- **Ana Aprizian and Rosemary Aprizian:** From the Trust Fund established by Rosemary Aprizian.



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 **The Very Rev. Fr. Mesrop Parsamyan, Primate,**
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 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.

Fellowship Hour

You are all welcome to join us following Church Services for Fellowship Hour.

****If you are interested in hosting Fellowship hour during August,
please contact the church office.****

Renovations to the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall and the Foyer have commenced.

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.

2022

Holy Trinity Annual Picnic

Sunday,
September 18th

🕒 Noon - 5:00pm
(Madagh blessing at 3pm)

📍 Church Courtyard



Delicious Armenian Food

Lamb Kebab \$21 • Losh Kebab \$20

Chicken Kebab \$20

Combo Meal \$20 • Eetch \$15

Vegetarian Mezze Platter \$20

We welcome the return of Kevork's Doener Kebab!

(with pilaf, salad, and pita bread)

The Shack and More Featuring Armenian Delicacies

Paklava, Cream khadeif, Gatnabour,
Spinach Boreg, Tourshi, Ice Cream Treats
& more!

Frozen Losh Available for Sale

Live Armenian Music

Greg Krikorian Ensemble

50/50 Raffle

Tickets: \$5 each; 6 for \$25

Pre-purchase raffle tickets with mail-in
form or by calling the church office

Tickets will also be available for
purchase at the picnic.

Lamb Kebab Sponsorship - \$100

Losh Kebab Sponsorship - \$100

Chicken Kebab Sponsorship - \$100

Gourmet Shack Sponsorship - \$100

To be a Sponsor call the Church office at 617-354-0632
or send a check- Please write "Picnic Sponsor" on the memo line.

Your donation will truly be appreciated!



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VOLUNTEER AT HOLY TRINITY!

As the saying goes
"Many hands make light work"

There are many volunteering opportunities to help sustain and grow our parish and community. We encourage you to participate and lend a helping hand in the various projects and events we undertake. Volunteering is also an excellent opportunity to get to know other members of our church community or learn a recipe or two while working together to help out.

To join our list of volunteers go to htaac.org > Get involved > Volunteering



Join us for Manti Making



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!
More pinchers = more manti!

The Trinity Bazaar will be here before you know it!

We need volunteers to help us make manti on the following dates:

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Wednesday, August 31, 2022

From 10 am to 3 pm in Johnson Hall

The more pinchers we have, the more manti we can make!

No experience necessary.

We hope you can join us, for any time you can give.

If you can help us, email Becky Hintlian,

Holy Trinity Armenian Church
invites you to an

International Food Festival

SUNDAY | OCT 2, 2022 | 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

Adults \$20
Children
(12 or younger) \$12



International wine
and beer will be sold



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2022 SYMPOSIUM

FAITH BUILDING WOMEN

A daylong conference created for women, by women.

OCTOBER 15, 2022 | CHECK IN 10AM
HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH
CAMBRIDGE, MA

Keynote speakers Dr. Roberta Ervine & Arpi Nakashian
Lunch included
Daycare available

REGISTRATION BEGINS AUGUST 15
REGISTER AT WWW.FAITHBUILDINGWOMEN.COM
Limited spaces
Contact Rhonda Boyajian
faithbuildingwomen@gmail.com or www.faithbuildingwomen.com

Group rates available at Freeport Hotel | Book by **9/14**

This event is done under the auspices of Adult Christian Education
at St. Peter Armenian Church Watervliet, NY.



The 2022 Faith-Building Women Symposium is a daylong conference created for women by women. Let's explore our sisters in the Bible and develop an understanding of their place, purpose in Biblical history, and in our church liturgy. Events will include two keynote presentations, two focus groups/breakout sessions, lunch with a presentation of an Armenian female Saint and an inspirational closing activity.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

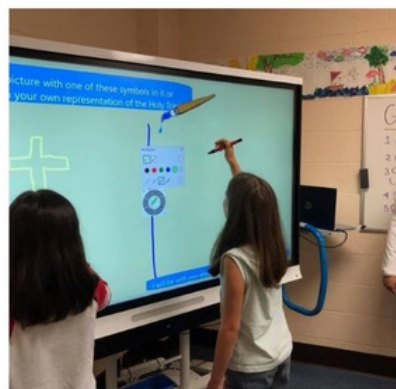
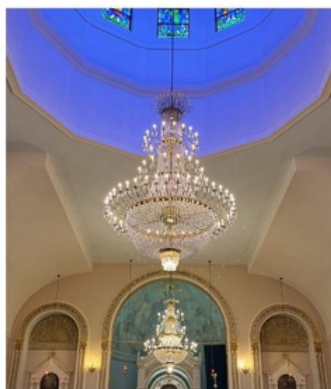
10:00 - 10:30 AM	Coffee and choreg reception
10:30 - 10:45 AM	Opening blessing and Symposium intro
10:45 - 12:00 PM	Keynote speaker
12:00 - 12:45 PM	Focus group/breakout session
12:45 - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Presentation of an Armenian female Saint
2:00 - 3:15 PM	Keynote speaker
3:15 - 4:00 PM	Focus group/breakout session
4:15 - 4:45 PM	Guided meditation and closing prayer

145 CAMPAIGN: *Maintaining our spiritual home*



Utility expenses are on the rise. The cost of maintaining everyday parish life and activities at Holy Trinity Church has gone up nearly 30% in the past year - or about **\$145 per day**.

From the lights in our Sanctuary and Church School classrooms, to the gas that powers our kitchen stoves, to the water that keeps our beautiful complex lush - these utilities enable Holy Trinity to deliver on our mission by providing a welcome home for each of us.



The 145 Campaign has been established to give our Holy Trinity parishioners and friends the opportunity to help offset rising utility costs. One day of utility cost sponsorship is \$145 - or you can sponsor the entire week for \$1,000

TO DONATE ONLINE GO TO HTAAC.ORG/GET-INVOLVED/DONATIONS/
(Under general donation please select 145 campaign)



PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TODAY

Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Email: _____

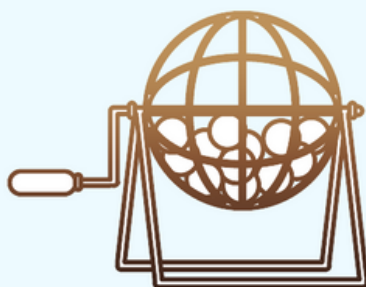
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Telephone: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
(Write 145 campaign on the memo line)



Holy Trinity Church's 1000 Club



The 1000 Club is a monthly cash raffle with proceeds supporting Holy Trinity Armenian Church.



A one year membership costs just \$60.00! As a 1000 Club member, you choose one available number from 000 to 999. Each month 12 numbers are drawn to award prizes from \$50 to \$1,000 with a total of \$2,000 awarded in cash prizes to the 12 winners.

You can also give a 1000 Club Membership as a gift for graduations, birthdays, and much more!

Interested in learning more
about the 1000 Club?
Contact the church office at
617.354.0632 for information!



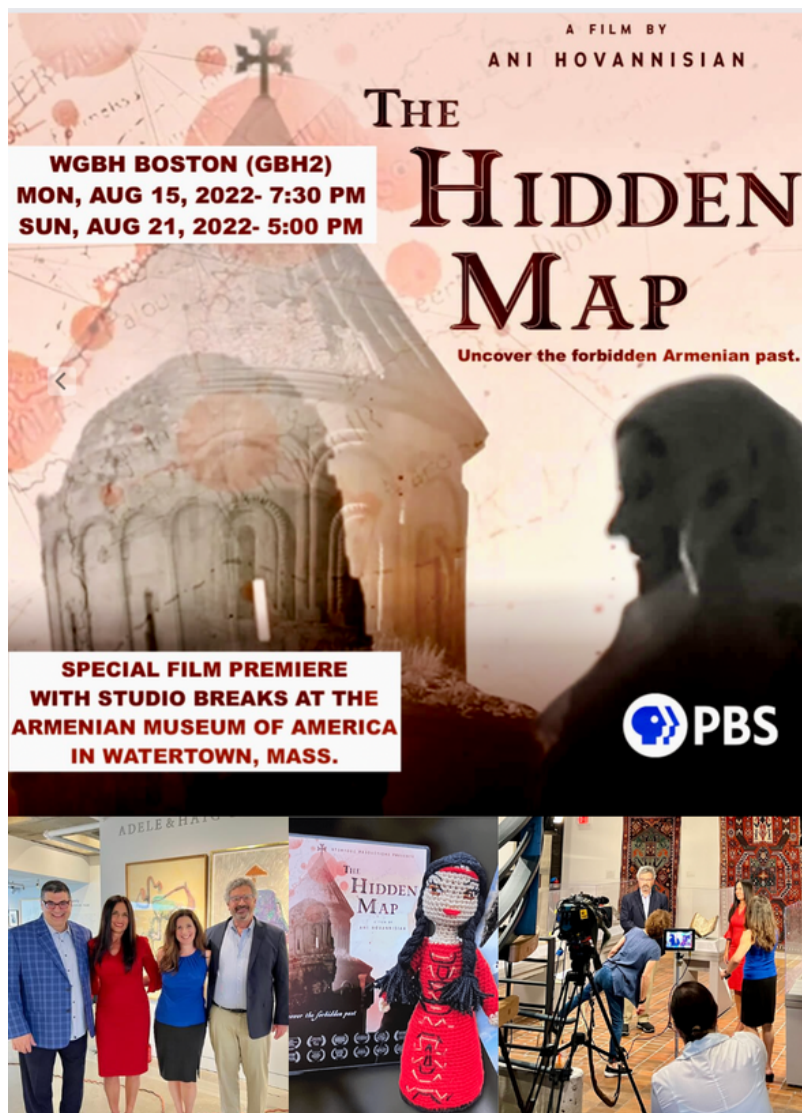
Congratulations

*Congratulations to Meline Mariam Hugasyan, daughter of Sevan Hugasyan & Ani Hagopian, who will be baptized today in our Church.

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ani Hovannisian's documentary, The Hidden Map, which tells the story of the Armenian people, premiered on the main Boston PBS station GBH2 on August 15 at 7:30 pm and will be shown a few more times next week. Please tune in to celebrate Armenian heritage and history.



Holy Trinity Church's Annual Requiem will take place in the fall.

Exact date will be communicated in the weeks to come.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Morning Service - 9 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.

Services conclude - 11:30 a.m.

We urge our faithful to attend Church Services on time.

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

Thurs, Aug 25	Parish Council Meeting
Wed, Aug 31	Manti- Making; Johnson Hall, 10am-3pm
Mon, Sept 5	Labor Day (Church Office Closed)
Sun, Sept 18	First day of classes for the Sunday School and Armenian School. Holy Trinity Annual Church Picnic- ALL WELCOME
Sun, Oct 2	International Food Festival; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12pm- 3pm
Sat, Oct 15	Faith Building Women, A day long conference created by women, for women (See flyer for details on registration); Holy Trinity Armenian Church, check in at 10am.

Job Opportunity

Holy Trinity Armenian Church is looking for interested candidates for the position of Front Office Secretary / Stewardship Associate (part-time)

For Job Description please visit:

<https://htaac.org/jobs/>

**Please submit a cover letter and resume to
Alison Ekizian at executivedirector@htaac.org**