## Sunday, October 2, 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.

#### **Readings of the Day:**

Is. 17:7-14. 2 Cor. 13:5-13. Mk. 11:27-33.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Mark chapter 11, vs. 27-33.

#### **From Today's Bible Reading**

Mark 11:27-33 The chief priests, teachers of the law, and elders

question Jesus' authority. Reflection: Why doesn't Jesus directly address their question? (Jesus had just angered them by throwing out the money changers and vendors at the Temple; He knew their motives were not out of genuine interest but a desire to undermine His authority.) In what ways do we undermine Jesus' authority?

2 Corinthians 13:5-13 St. Paul prays for the community's strength and right living, assuring them that as long as Christ dwells in them, they will be able to pass any test of faith. He recommends that they test themselves to be sure that Christ is truly at work in their lives. Memorable verse (12): "Greet one another with a holy kiss" (a foundational verse for our kiss of peace during Badarak). Reflection: What are some the "tests" we could apply to ourselves to see if Christ guides our lives? Isaiah 17:7-14 Isaiah prophecies the doom of Damascus, a city that has forgotten God. Reflection: In verse 10, God is described as Savior (salvation), Rock, and Fortress (strength, refuge). What qualities of God do these words suggest? Which of them means the most to you?

#### Saturday, October 8, is the Feast of the Holy Translators

Mesrob, Yeghishe, Moses, David the Philosopher, Gregory of Narek, Nersess the Grace-filled - These well-known saints are remembered on other days of the church calendar year, but the Armenian Church remembers them herespecifically as "translators," those who enlighten others about our faith through prayers, hymns, poetry, philosophy and even history. Translation goes beyond rendering one language into another. It is the sharing of the experience of Christ with His people, to those who will also become translators for His Church. St. Gregory of Narek (c 945-1003) was a beloved teacher, churchman and prolific writer. Born in Narek (near Lake Van), he entered the monastery there and wrote Bible commentaries, history and deeply affecting prayers. His renowned collection Speaking with God from the Depths of My Heart was so treasured that it was thought to have healing powers. Begin your day with one of his prayers (Prayer 24): "Dear Lord, I pray that I might be honored with clothing of light, from which I have been stripped/that I might touch the hand of Him, from whom I am separated/that I might receive my daily bread, for which I have not worked/that I might be showered with rewards, which I have not earned/that I might remember all my blessings, which I always forget."

Department of Christian Education, Diocese of the Armenian Church (Eastern)

#### October 2, 2022 Hokehankisd

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

- Charles "Chuck" Shagoury, 3rd Anniversary: Requested by Judy Shagoury for husband.
- Virginia Ohanian, 4th Anniversary & Michael Ohanian, 24th Anniversary: Requested by Bruce & LuAnn Ohanian, Jill & Ron Buck, Brendan and Thomas, Mark & Ashley Ohanian for parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents.
- Kirkor, Khasig, John, Mary, Simon, Vivian F., Claire, and Arthur Gregory Mosgofian: Requested by Catherine Mosgofian.
- Elmas & Bagdasar Garabedian, Charles B. Garabedian, Elizabeth & George Kolligian, Veronica & K. Albert Paretchan: Requested by Joan E. Kolligian for grandparents, uncle, parents and great-aunt, and great-uncle.
- Krikor Tinkjian, Kevork & Siranoush Tinkjian, Elle Tinkjian Haroutiun & Angele Banian, Antranig & Rosine Yaylaian: Requested by Anahid Tinkijian and Family for husband, father & grandfather, father-in-law, mother-in-law & grandparents, brother-in-law & uncle brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, uncles & aunts.
- Isaac & MaryKarchakian, Alan David Karchakian, Vartan & Miriam Kochakian, Helen Roomian: Requested by Linda Beaupre.
- Andranik & Nvart Vartanian: Requested by Susan Vartanian Barba and Susan Barba for Parents and grandparents.
- Harry Kaprelian, Mihran, Elizabeth & Edward Berberian, Alyce Leister, and Karl Kaprelian: From the Trust Fund established by Harry & Grace Kaprelian.
- Jack H. Kolligian: From his Trust Fund.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations and best wishes to Kidus Getahun and Selam Mehreto who received the sacrament of matrimony on October 1. We pray that Almighty God may bless and keep them under the protection of the Holy Cross.

#### **ALTAR CANDLES**

#### Today's Altar candles are donated for the edification of our Altar from

The Trust Fund established by Harry and Grace Kaprelian in memory of Harry Kaprelian, Mihran, Elizabeth & Edward Berberian, Alyce Leister, and Karl Kaprelian.

and

By Joan E. Kolligian for Elmas & Bagdasar Garabedian, Charles B. Garabedian, and Elizabeth & George Kolligian for grandparents, uncle and parents.

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are donated in memory of Veronica and K. Albert Paretchan by Joan E. Kolligian for great-aunt and great-uncle.

#### **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,

John Armen Demirjian, 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).\*

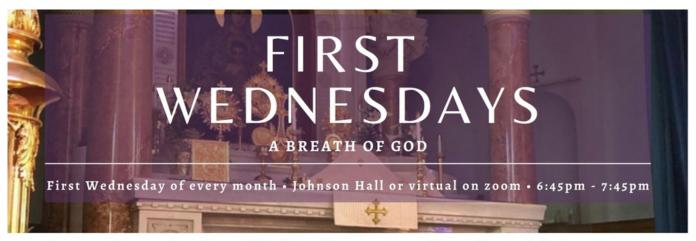
Please contact the church office with any questions.

\*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 hosted by the Trinity Men's Union.



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 5, 2022

What Kinds of Seeds Do We Sow In Life?

November 2, 2022

Why Neighbors Matter...

December 7, 2022

We Seek Forgiveness, But Do We Offer It To Others?

January 4, 2023

Is Your Home Built On Sand Or Rock?

February 1, 2023

Why Are Some Accepted & Others Rejected?

March 1, 2023

Vanity vs. Humility

April 12, 2023\*

Will There Be Mustard
In Heaven?

\*Second Wednesday

May 10, 2023\*

Crumbs That Fall From The Table . . .

\*Second Wednesday

### Please join us today after Church Services



### 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

(12 or younger)

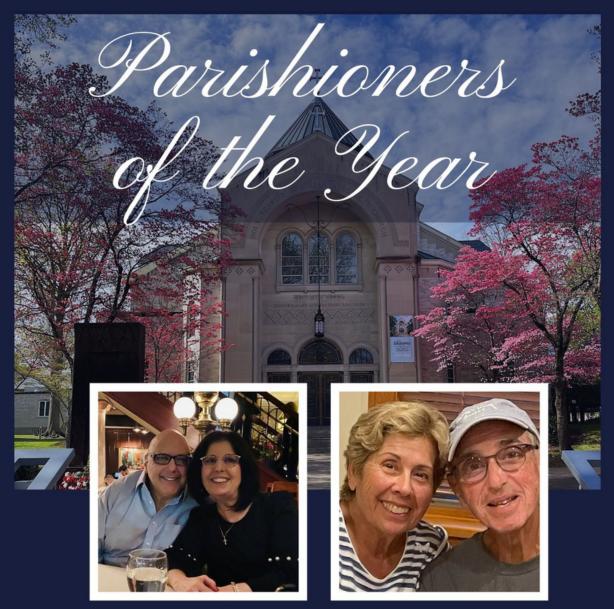


International wine and beer will be sold



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# Holy Trinity Armenian Church is pleased to announce the 2022



Ara & June Hollisian + Bob & Marilyn Takvorian

Please join us for a reception **immediately following church services** honoring our
parishioners of the year on **October 23, 2022** in
Charles and Nevart Talanian Hall!

#### **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** 

Wed, Oct 26

International Food Festival; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall,

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Wed, Oct 5	First Wednesdays Series Returns; October's theme is "What Kinds of Seed Do We Sow in Life?"; Johnson Hall, 6:45-7:30pm
Thurs, Oct 6	Manti- Making; Johnson Hall, 10am-3pm
Mon, Oct 10	TMU Dinner Meeting; Johnson Hall
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.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Manti- Making; Johnson Hall, 10am-3pm

#### ROOM NEEDED IN THE GREATER BOSTON AREA

Working here since 2018, Sevan Bedrosian, an English- Armenian speaking Syrian Armenian, is looking for a rental room. If you are able to help her with her search please contact the church office at 617.354.0632.