

Sunday, March 19, 2023
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

Father Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor
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Celebrant: The Pastor
SUNDAY BULLETIN



Today is the Sunday of the Judge

Divine Liturgy Book

Let us recite together the Nicene Creed, The Profession of our Faith,
on page 18 and 19 of the maroon book.

Kiss of Peace

The person giving the greeting says:

Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetzav
(Christ is revealed among us)

DIVINE LITURGY

Deacons: Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, George Stepanyantis

Sub-Deacons: Oscar Derderian III, Gregory Dorian, Stephen Hollisian, Edward Khachatrian, Kevork Atinizian, Mark Torosian

Organist: Nune Hakobyan

Choir Members: Victoria Avetisyan, Sdn. Robert Dulgarian, Arpie Kouzouian, Yeghishe Manucharyan, Ani Ross Grubb

Readings of the Day: Is. 65:8-25. Phil. 3:1-4:9. Lk.17:20 -18:14.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 18, vs. 1-14 and will be read by Ann Danielson.

From Today's Bible Reading

Luke 17:20-18:14 Jesus describes the Second Coming as a time like any other in some ways, with people in pursuit of their usual pleasures; joys as well as suffering continue. Yet we learn that His Coming will be as bold as a bolt of lightning. We cannot be prepared for it if we have not lived all along as God's devoted children; if we haven't, we will be reluctant to leave behind earthly preoccupations for heavenly ones. This description is immediately followed by The Parable of the Unjust Judge (ort Persistent Widow). See below for more on this parable and reflection questions. *Reflection: How does Jesus' example of Lot's wife looking back clarify the meaning of verse 33: "whoever tries to keep their life will lose it and whoever loses their life will preserve it"?*

Philippians 3:1-4:9 "Rejoice in the Lord!" St. Paul declares, since all that once was valued is nothing, rubbish (lit: dung;3:8) compared to knowing Jesus. A life for those who eschew earthly things for a glorious "citizenship in heaven" is marked by joy, gratitude, a worry-free serenity. And a peace from God that "transcends all understanding." (4:7) *Reflection: How would you finish the sentence in v. 13 as you try to draw ever closer to Christ: "...one thing I do:_____."*

Isaiah 65:8-25 In prophesying to postexilic Israel, Isaiah shares God's promises of judgment to the disobedient but salvation and renewal to the faithful – a world where there will no longer be tears and where the wolf and the lamb will peacefully co-exist. *Reflection: "I called and you did not answer...I spoke and you did not listen...you chose what displeases me..." (v.12) In some ways, could this describe you? How?*

Today is the Sunday of the Judge

To underscore the importance of prayer, Jesus tells the parable of an unjust judge who neglects the pleas of a poor widow until, tired of her persistence, he hands down a decision and sends her away. Just as Jesus used the example of a less-than-virtuous-steward (last Sunday's Lenten lesson), he now uses the example of an exasperated, self-centered judge. If he submits to the supplication of the widow, won't a merciful, loving God hear and respond to our needs? Prayer is one of the essential ways we grow closer to God. It was the only thing the disciples asked Jesus to teach them! *Reflection: When do you pray? Only at certain times? When you feel angry or sad? Thankful? Memorize I Thessalonians 5:16-18 as a good mantra for prayerful living*

Upcoming Sunday Feast Days

March 26 - Sunday of the Advent

April 2 - Palm Sunday

April 9 - Easter Sunday

Fellowship Hour

You are all welcome to join us following Church Services for Fellowship Hour hosted by the ACYOA.

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

John Armen Demirjian, Ara Hollisian, Nishan Tikijian,

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.

March 19, 2023 Hokehankisd

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

- **John Kassabian, 25th Anniversary:** Requested by Edmond & Ann Danielson for father.
- **Virginia Zouranjian:** Requested by Albert Zouranjian and Family for wife, mother and grandmother.

Altar flowers are donated by Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian and Family
in honor of the first anniversary of Dn. Gregory receiving
the St. Nersess Shnorhali medal from HH Karekin II.



GREAT LENT

Great Lent which began on Monday, February 20, and ends on Saturday, April 1, is the 40-day period of spiritual preparation that leads to the greatest feast of the Church - Easter. It is a time for focused spiritual disciplines, prayer, reading the Bible, service, giving, fasting and living a simpler life.

Throughout Lent:

- We do not receive or pass the Voghchooyin (Kiss of Peace).
- Holy Communion is not administered. Those in need of Holy Communion may see the Celebrant following the Badarak.
 - Mahs is distributed to the faithful regularly.
- We do not approach the Celebrant at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy to kiss the Gospel.



Holy Trinity Lenten Services

Join us on **Wednesday evenings during Lent**
in the Holy Trinity Sanctuary for Lenten Services where the prayers of
"I Confess with Faith" by St. Nersess Shnorhali are read.

February 22, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

March 1, 2023 at 6 p.m.
(led by our deacons - First Wednesdays starts at 6:45pm)

March 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

March 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

March 22, 2023 at 6:30p.m.

March 29, 2023 at 6:30p.m.

A light Lenten supper will be available in Johnson Hall a half hour before services begin.

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HOSTED BY THE ACYOA SENIORS



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*Immediately following Church services
in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall*

"THE IMPACT OF FAITH ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH"

GUEST SPEAKER: LILIT DERKEVORKIAN, BS, MA

*Doctoral Student in Clinical Psychology at William James College
and Holy Trinity ACYOA alum and parishioner,
Lilit will share her personal and professional experiences in the mental health field
and the role that her Christian faith plays in her everyday life*

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*Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston
Presents*

The Dr. Michael and Joyce Kolligian Distinguished Speaker Series



John Bridgeland

Executive Chairman, Office of American Possibilities

A More Perfect Union: Renewing American Democracy

Thursday, April 27, 2023, 7:00pm

**Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall
145 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA**

A reception and book signing for his book "Heart of the Nation: Volunteering and America's Civic Spirit" will follow Mr. Bridgeland's talk

This event is free and open to the public

John Bridgeland is Executive Chairman of the Office of American Possibilities, an organization aimed to tap the entrepreneurial talent of Americans to solve public challenges together across divides. He is also Co-Founder and Executive Chairman of "More Perfect", a national campaign to advance five Sustainable Democracy Goals. Previously he has served in the administrations of President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama. A graduate of Harvard College and the University of Virginia School of Law, Mr. Bridgeland will share his perspectives on renewing American democracy and challenge us to see the value in bringing together differing viewpoints to strengthen our union and dream together, as one nation.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

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SHOWCASE BEGINS AT 7:30 PM

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9:00 AM-1:30 PM DAILY WITH OPTIONAL EXTENDED DAY TO 3 PM

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**PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR HOLY TRINITY PARISHIONERS ENDS MARCH 31
BEGINNING APRIL 1, REGISTRATION IS FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED*

Fr. Vasken A. Kouzoulian, Pastor—Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston
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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, March 21	P.C. Meeting; Johnson Hall, 6:30pm
Sat, March 25	Trivia Night hosted by the ACYOA Seniors; Johnson Hall, Doors open at 6:30pm- Game starts at 7pm
Sun, April 2	Palm Sunday Banquet hosted by the ACYOA; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, Immediately following Church Services
Wed, April 12	First Wednesdays, "Will There be Mustard In Heaven?"; Johnson Hall 6:45pm- 7:45pm *second Wednesday*
Thurs, April 27	The Dr. Michael and Joyce Kolligian Distinguished Speaker Series - John Bridgeland, " A More Perfect Union: Renewing American Democracy; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 7pm (A reception and book signing for his book, "Heart of the Nation: Volunteering and America's Civic Spirit" will follow Mr. Bridgeland's talk)
Sat, April 29	Trinity Talent Showcase; Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, Doors open at 7pm and Showcase begins at 7:30pm
Tues, May2 - Sat, May 6	Annual Clergy Conference and 121st Diocesan Assembly, presided over by the Very Reverend Father Mesrop Parsamyan, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church (Eastern); Dallas, TX