

Sunday, June 4, 2023
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

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Celebrant: The Pastor
SUNDAY BULLETIN



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)

The person receiving the greeting says:

Orhnyal eh haidnootyunn Krisdosee

(Blessed is the revelation of Christ)

Readings of the Day: 1 Kgs. 18:29-46. 2 Kgs. 2:1-15. Jas. 5:16-20. Lk. 4:25-30.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 7, vs. 24-27 and will be read by Robert Dulgarian.

From Today's Bible Reading

1 Kings 18:29-46 Elijah's prayer to God brings rain after a long drought, whereas the prayers of Baal's prophets prove futile. This 'contest' is spectacular: 850 pagan prophets against the one prophet Elijah of the one God Yahweh. *Reflection: Where is the one true God competing with the false gods in your life?*

2 Kings 2:1-15 The prophet Elijah continues to remind his protégé Elisha that God would soon be taking his master from him. When Elijah is taken up to heaven in a fiery chariot, he drops his cloak to the ground. Elisha picks it up, taps the nearby Jordan river with it, and the water parts for him. God's spirit had descended now upon Elijah's pupil. *Reflection: Have you ever had the mantle of leadership passed on to you? What quality of your mentor did you value most?*

James 5:16-20 In these concluding verses of James' epistle, he advises his listeners to confess to and pray for each other, as the "prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." He cites Elijah as a man whose prayers were indeed effective. *Reflection: Have you ever helped someone make a better, more God-pleasing decision? Consider the far-reaching consequences!*

Luke 4: 25-30 Jesus is in a synagogue in His hometown of Nazareth. To the congregation's amazement, He famously declares that no prophet is accepted in His hometown. He cites the examples of the prophets Elijah and Elisha whose healings were more readily accepted by non-Jews. So angered by this, the people drive Him to the edge of a cliff to throw Him down; but Jesus manages to leave them peacefully. *Reflection: Perhaps we have more in common with this congregation of two thousand years ago than we think. Is there anything about what Jesus teaches that makes you so uncomfortable you would rather drive Him out of your life?*

Today is the Remembrance of the Prophet Elijah

Tomorrow, St. Hripsime and her companions

St. Hripsime and the community of nuns traveling with her (led by St. Gayane) are the unsung heroines of the Christianization of Armenia. Fleeing persecution from the Emperor Diocletian in the late 3rd century AD, they escaped to Armenia and settled in Vagharshapat. King Drtad himself then pursued the beautiful Hripsime only to be rebuffed by the devout young woman. The 5th century historian Agathangelos recorded her story along with St. Gregory's, vividly describing the physical battle between her and the king. In his new book, *Women Too Were Blessed: The Portrayal of Women in Early Armenian Christian Texts*, scholar David Zakarian speaks of the fight as significant on two levels: Christian virtue and faith overpowering paganism and a powerless young woman physically defeating a tyrannical king. In the renowned icon (a copy of which adorns a side altar in the St. Nersess Seminary chapel), Hripsime is depicted as triumphant and glorified. What one rarely notices is how she tramples upon the head of King Drtad who brandishes a useless sword. One of the first things St. Gregory did was build shrines over the relics of the fallen Hripsime and Gayane and their fellow nuns. Two churches in their names stand near Holy Etchmiadzin to this day. *Reflection: Pray for these beloved saints, grateful for the heroic martyrdom that inspired a nation's faith.*

June 4, 2023 Hokehankisd

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

Lucille Diranian, 1st Anniversary: Requested by Richard & Karen Diranian, Nancy & Michael Paloian, Kenneth & Charles Diranian, Alexa, Melissa and Lindsey Diranian, Andrea and Adam Paloian for mother and grandmother.

Dr. Michael Kolligian, 25th Anniversary & Joyce Kolligian, 10th Anniversary: Requested by Harvey & Valerie Kolligian Thayer, Caroline and Olivia Thayer and Michael Kolligian for parents and grandparents.

Gregory Takvorian: Requested by Michael & Elaine Markarian and Family for nephew and cousin.

Stephen & Nevart Pauline Azarian: From the Trust Fund established by Major Robert Zaven Zartarian.

George, Takoohi, Vahan, Sooren & Mary Daniels: From the Trust Fund established by Sooren & Mary Daniels.

Mardiros Kasabian, Khanum (Bohigian) Harrison, Genevieve (Jean) Harrison, Victoria (Harrison) Davidian, Rose Harrison, and Harry Harrison: From the Trust Fund established by Rose and Elise Harrison.

Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Levon, Louise Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian: From the Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust Fund.

DIVINE LITURGY

Deacons: Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, George Stepanyants

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

TODAY, OUR YOUTH CHOIR

Under the direction of Dan Teager, our Youth Choir will participate in a portion of the Divine Liturgy.

****FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICES TODAY, THERE WILL BE
AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON THE PILGRIMAGE TO ARMENIAN
IN THE CHARLES & NEVART TALANIAN CULTURAL HALL AT 12:30PM****

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.

Fellowship Hour

You are all welcome to join us following Church Services
for Fellowship Hour hosted by
the Diranian Family in loving memory of Lucille Diranian.

Today!

all levels
welcome!

THE ACYOA SENIORS PRESENT

ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASS



JUNE 4th | 12:30-2pm

JOHNSON HALL

Holy Trinity Armenian Church | 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA

light refreshments available

registration encouraged



\$5 in advance | \$7 @ door

a portion of
proceeds benefit



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ALL WELCOME

TMU JUNE

GUEST SPEAKER

June
12th
2023

MEZZE - 6:30PM
DINNER - 7PM

**LOSH KEBAB &
KEYMA MEAL**

Please RSVP by
calling the office
at 617.354.0632
or email
tmu@htaac.org



Edward J. Callahan

**E. J. CALLAHAN &
ASSOCIATES**

With more than 40 years of experience in public accounting, Ed specializes in accounting, tax and business advisory services as they apply to contractors, suppliers and professional service organizations. His other areas of expertise include information management systems (job costing, accounting, and estimating), operational and financial analysis, workers compensation planning, surety bonding, and banking assistance.



Blessing of the *Holy Muron*

DIOCESE OF THE
ARMENIAN CHURCH OF
AMERICA (EASTERN)

LED BY
FR. VASKEN KOUZOUIAN,
PASTOR

SEPT. 29-OCT. 11, 2023

FEATURING VISITS TO:

Etchmiadzin Blessing of the Muron/Yerevan &
Armenian Genocide Memorial/Khor Virab
& Noravank/Lake Sevan & Dilijan/Garni &
Geghard Monastery/Episcopal Consecration

Journey to **ARMENIA**

Cost per person

(based on double occupancy):

\$3,595

\$1,995

(Land Package)

SPACE IS LIMITED

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round-trip airfare from BOS
- Full transportation and transfers in Armenia as specified in itinerary
- Breakfast & Lunch/Dinner according to the itinerary
- Hotel accommodations 5* Marriott (Dbl occupancy)
- Entrance fee to all sightseeing destinations
- Tour Guide (English)

Registration Deadline:

JUNE 25, 2023

For more information, contact:

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THE 2023 GREGORY HINTLIAN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Armenian Church
Honoring George W. Haroutunian

MONDAY,
JULY 10, 2023



MARLBOROUGH
COUNTRY CLUB

11:00 AM "Shotgun" start
Followed by Lunch at the 9th hole
Dinner (casual dress) is at 5:00 pm

Registration Deadline: June 26, 2023

Sign up today: <https://htaac.org>

GOLFERS: MEN AND
WOMEN DIVISIONS

YOUR CHOICE:
SCRAMBLE OR BETTER

MAKE YOUR OWN
FOURSOMES OR WE
WILL PLACE YOU.

LONGEST DRIVE
CLOSET TO THE PIN



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GREAT GATSBY GALA
TO CELEBRATE

100 YEARS OF HOLY
TRINITY CHURCH

Save the Date

OCTOBER

21

2023



1923

Shawmut Ave

2023

Brattle St

Holy Trinity congratulates our ACYOA Juniors Girls Basketball Team and Coach Bill Melkonian for their First Place win during Hye M'rstoom competition over Memorial Day Weekend hosted by St. James, Watertown.





Holy Trinity Armenian Church

Grow Our Community, Become a Member!

Visit www.htaac.org or call the office at 617-354-0632

*"But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the Word
and understands it, who indeed bears fruit..." Matthew 13:23*

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** **Armenian Language Class;** Johnson Hall, 12:30pm-2pm
ACYOA Juniors General Membership Gathering;
Adamian Hall, 12:30pm-2pm
Informational Meeting on Pilgrimage to Armenia;
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12:30pm
- Sun, June 11** **Sunday School/ Armenian School End of Year Special Assembly,
Closing Program, and Year-End Picnic**
- Mon, June 12** **TMU June Meeting;** Johnson Hall, Mezze 6:30pm, Dinner 7pm
- Mon, July 10** **Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;**
Marlborough Country Club

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Our summer schedule will begin on
Sunday, June 18.

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.; Services
conclude - 11:30 a.m.

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Services on time.

