Sunday, August 27, 2023 **Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston**

Father Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor 145 Brattle Street Cambridge, MA 02138 617.354.0632

Celebrant: The Pastor Guest Celebrant: The V. Rev. Fr. Simeon Odabashian, Diocesan Vicar

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)

Holy Trinity Church's 2023 Annual Requiem will take place on Sunday, October 29.

Readings of the Day: Is. 9:8-19. 2 Cor. 1:1-11. Mk. 4: 35-41.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 4 vs. 35-41.

From Today's Bible Reading

Isaiah 10:12-19 The King of Assyria boasts of his strength and wisdom in plundering other nations. The images he haughtily uses are cruel – hecompares his conquering to the scooping up of eggs in a nest (v. 14) – "noone flapped a wing or opened its mouth to chirp." God, however, plans to destroy his "pomp" as a fire would consume forests and fields. Reflection: Does God seem more like a guiding light or a consuming fire (v.17) to you right now? Why?

2 Corinthians 2:12-3:3 St. Paul describes his preaching -- and all who witness to Christ -- as (v.14) "spreading the fragrance of the knowledge of Him," a beautiful metaphor for the way faith is "caught" from those modeling it sincerely and joyfully. He scoffs at the Corinthians' need for a letter of recommendation for him, since they themselves are that letter. "You," he tells them, "are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone, but on tablets of human hearts." Reflection: If you were the only "Bible" someone else had to read, how much of the Gospel would they grasp?

Mark 6:30-44 Having withdrawn to a quiet place for rest, Jesus and the disciples were quickly surrounded by people wanting to hear Him. Mark, the evangelist who expressed Jesus' feelings most often, tells us that He had compassion on the crowd and began teaching them. When the disciples wanted to send the people away to eat on their own, Jesus tells them to feed the crowd. With the five loaves and two fish they were able to procure, Jesus looks to heaven, gives thanks, and shares them with all of the 5,000 gathered; 12 baskets were left over. The scene clearly reminded readers of the account of God feeding the desert wanderers with manna from heaven (Exodus 16) as well as the Eucharistic fellowship of 1st century Christians. Reflection: When you are spiritually hungry, do you turn to Jesus as the crowds did or do you fill up on something else?

Tuesday, September 5, is the Feast of Sts. Adrian & Natalia

During the Diocletian persecution (c. 303), Adrian was a Roman officer at the imperial court of Nicomedia. While in charge of a group of Christian prisoners destined for execution, he converted the instant he heard their declarations of faith. He himself was then imprisoned. His wife, Natalia, an exemplary Christian who had converted in secret, rejoiced at his change of heart, encouraging him to be strong in his faith. When she was forbidden from visiting the prison and tending to her husband's and others' wounds, she cut off her hair, disguised herself as a man and continued her visits. After Adrian's torture and martyrdom in 306, she was able to rescue a relic of his body, a hand, which she treasured. When all the martyrs' bodies were set afire, a rain miraculously doused the flames and their remains were taken to a suburb of modern-day Constantinople. It is there that Natalia eventually died and was buried.

August 27, 2023 Hokehankisd

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

Gerard Odabashian, 1st Anniversary: Requested by Rosemarie Odabashian, Jerry V. Odabashian, Mary Jo Ali, Olivia and Jared Ali, Fr. Simeon Odabashian, Barry, Christine, Rachel and Sarah Odabashian, Marsha Odabashian, Karen Koumjian, Robert Proodian & Lisa Sheehan, Michael Dasaro, Joseph Caputo, Nick Haponik and Brian Reindeau for husband, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin and friend.

Lucy Torosian, 2nd Anniversary: Requested by Himayak Torosian, Susan Torosian, Kaspar Torosian, Gregory Torosian, Haig Torosian, Mark & Mengting Torosian, Maria Torosian, Hanzatian & Karaoglu Families for wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend.

Grace Torosian, 10th Anniversary: Requested by Kaspar Torosian, Gregory Torosian, Haig Torosian, Mark & Mengting Torosian, Marie Torosian, Himayak Torosian, Susan Torosian, Ara & June Hollisian and Family for wife, mother, grandmother, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law and friend.

Gregory Archie Kolligian, 35th Anniversary: Requested by Greg & Crystal Kolligian, Gregory A. Kolligian III and Jack Avedis Kolligian for father and grandfather.



Please note: Our regular worship schedule will resume on Sunday, September 17.

DIVINE LITURGY

Deacons: Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, George Stepaniants

Sub-Deacons: Oscar Derderian III, Gregory Dorian, Stephen Hollisian,

Edward Khachatrian, Kevork Atinizian, Mark Torosian

Altar Server: Arek Gulbankian

Organist: Nune Hakobyan

Choir Members and Soloists: Victoria Avetisyan, Sdn. Robert Dulgarian, Arpie Kouzouian,

Yeghishe Manucharyan, Ani Ross Grubb

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

Diane "Ma" Fornauf, 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.

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

THE 2023 GREGORY HINTLIAN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Armenian Church Honoring George W. Haroutunian

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023



MARLBOROUGH COUNTRY CLUB

RESCHEDULED

Due to inclement weather today's golf tournament has been rescheduled for TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023





TMU DINNER MEETING

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Holy Trinity & St James

KICKING OFF THE YEAR WITH MATTHEW SLATER

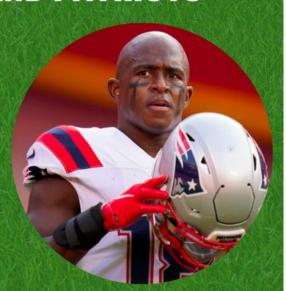
FROM THE NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

September 11, 2023

Appetizers 5:45pm Dinner 6:45pm

Losh, Kheyma, or combo Meal \$20

Cash bar is available



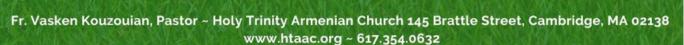
ALL WELCOME

We are expecting large attendance for this very special event - RSVP is highly encouraged

call the office at 617.354.0632 or email tmu@htaac.org

Cash or check only - credit cards are not accepted for these meetings





Enjoy an

Evening of Armenian Cinema

Celebrate the 100th centennial of Armenian Cinema

- mingle with friends & enjoy refreshments
- watch an award winning film It's Spring...
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Thursday September 14 at 7pm

HOLY TRINITY
ARMENIAN
CHURCH
145 BRATTLE ST
CAMBRIDGE, MA
02138

DONATION \$40

For tickets please call (617)842-6552 or (617)669-7444



Organized by Holy Trinity Armenian School

Fr.. Vasken Kouzouian pastor~Holy Trinity Armenian Church www.htaac.org~617-354~0632

Holy Trinity Annual Picnic

Sunday, September 17th

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

Delicious Armenian Food

Lamb Kebab • Losh Kebab Chicken Breast • Combo Meal Eetch • Vegetarian Mezze Platter We welcome the return of Kevork's Donner Kebab

Gourmet Shack and More Featuring Armenian Delicacies

Paklava, Cream khadeif, Gatnabour, Tourshi, Manti, Spinach Borea, Nazook, Italian Ice, Treats & more! *Frozen Losh Available for Sale*

Live Armenian Music

Greg Krikorian Ensemble

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

Pre-purchase raffle tickets with mail-in form, by calling the church office, or purchase at the picnic.

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

> Lamb Kebab Sponsorship -Losh Kebab Sponsorship - \$100 Chicken Kebab Sponsorship - \$100 \$100 Gourmet Shack Sponsorship - \$100

Your donation will truly be appreciated!

Join Us For A Banquet Celebrating 100 Years Of The Holy Trinity Parish

Sunday, September 24, 2023 Following Church Services

Following Church Services in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall

Honoring Past Parish Council Members

Presided over by
The V. Rev. Fr. Mesrop Parsamyan, Prímate



Advance ticket purchase only. Visit <u>www.htaac.org</u> for more information or call the church office at 617.354.0632

Tickets: \$75
RSVP by Tuesday, September 12

For more information on the commemorative booklet or to make a donation in honor of our 100th year celebrations please visit www.htaac.org/100years





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September 22-24, 2023

Explore the glorious music of Saint Nersess Shnorhali through presentations, recitals and workshops.

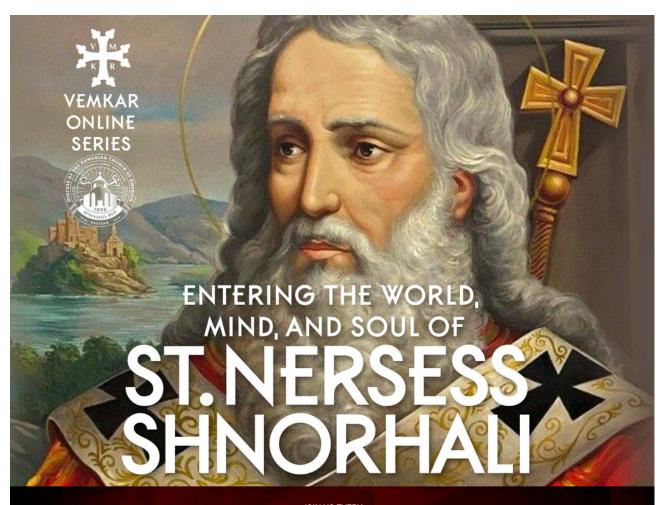
Under the auspices of the
Very Reverend Fr. Mesrop Parsamyan, Primate

Organized by the Diocesan Sacred Music Council in honor of the 850th Anniversary of St. Nersess Shnorhali (1102-1173)

Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern)

Holy Trinity Armenian Church 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA QUESTIONS? Contact Fr. Hovhan Khoja-Eynatyan of the Sacred Music Council (847) 644-7389 smc@armeniandiocese.org

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

ST. NERSESS SHNORHALI'S LIFE AND **EDUCATION IN CONTEXT**

DR. ROBERTA R. ERVINE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

THE POETIC WORLD OF ST. NERSESS SHNORHALI

DR. JESSE S. ARLEN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

ODES OF ST. NERSESS THE GRACEFUL

MATTHEW J. SARKISIAN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

A READING OF ST. NERSESS SHNORHALI'S SONG TODAY THE INEFFABLE (AYSOR ANJAR)

DN. HOVANNES KHOSDEGHIAN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

ST. NERSESS THE GRACEFUL AND THE THREEFOLD WAY OF THEOSIS

FR. MESROP PARSAMYAN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

ST. NERSESS' ECUMENICAL RELATIONS WITH THE BYZANTINES

DN. ANDREW KAYAIAN

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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

Tues, Aug 29 Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;

Marlborough Country Club (RESCHEDULED DATE)

Mon, Sept 4 Labor Day (Church Office is closed)

Mon, Sept 11 TMU Dinner Meeting with guest speaker,

Matthew Slater from the New England Patriots;

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, RSVP is highly encouraged

Thur, Sept 14 Screening of "It's Spring...."; 7pm

Organized by the Holy Trinity Armenian School

Sun, Sept 17 Holy Trinity Annual Church Picnic

Fri-Sun, Sept 22-24 Sacred Music Festival (Shnorhali: Singer of Light)

Holy Trinity Armenian Church

Sun, Sept 24 Banquet celebrating 100 Years of the Holy Trinity Parish

Sat, Oct 21 Great Gatsby Gala to Celebrate

100 Years of the Holy Trinity Parish

Sun, Oct 29 International Food Festival;

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall

Altar Painting Restoration

Through the generosity of a devoted parishioner,
the side altar painting depicting the Annunciation of St. Mary, the Mother of God,
has recently been removed for restoration purposes.
The Annunciation painting is scheduled to be placed
back in its original location by Labor Day.

Temporarily, a painting created by the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin for the 1,700th Anniversary of Armenia's conversation to Christianity, depicting St. Gregory the Illuminator baptizing King D'rtad, will adorn our side altar.