

Sunday, July 2, 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)

**Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to
St. Paul to the Galatians, ch. 6, vs. 1-10.**

From Today's Bible Reading

Isaiah 2:5-11 Isaiah continues to unfold God's warning that the people of Judah have abandoned Him for superstition and idols. Their treasure is no longer their Lord, but gold and silver, horses and chariots. But God's majesty will bring down the arrogant. In the last days, "the Lord alone will be exalted" (v. 11). *Reflection: In the tension between serving God and serving money and "stuff," which seems to be winning in your life right now? Why?*

Romans 8:31-10:4 St. Paul outlines the power and mystery of God's sovereignty. His invitation might be to all the "offspring of Abraham," but only those who respond to God's true heart can enter into this relationship with Him; then neither persecution, nor famine, nor any danger, in fact nothing, "in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus" (v. 8:39). Paul expresses compassion for the Israelites who still believe the Law is the way to God rather than faith in His love and mercy.

Reflection: How can zeal for God, even zealous "busyness" in serving the church, sometimes get in the way of knowing Him? (v. 10:2)

Matthew 13:24-30 In the Parable of the Weeds, Jesus uses the harvest as a common symbol for the final judgment, advising believers to be tolerant and patient. The "weeds" – the evil and the unjust – are brought into being by evil itself and will prosper side by side in God's creation. Only in the fullness and end of time, will Christ's angels pull out and burn the weeds.

The righteous will shine like the sun in the Father's Kingdom. Jesus explains the parable to His disciples in vv. 36-43. *Reflection: Does it trouble you that bad people prosper and good people suffer on earth? What does God call us to do, nevertheless, regarding this temporary injustice? How are you carrying this out in your life?*

Saturday, July 8, is the Feast of the 12 Apostles and St. Paul Apostle

Is a Greek word meaning "one who is sent forth" having been entrusted with a special mission. So it was that Jesus called 12 men to be with Him, learn from Him, and ultimately bring the world to Him. In Matthew 4:19, Jesus gave the fishermen Peter, Andrew, James and John a simple invitation: "Come, follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." In this way He asked them to leave where they were (their fishing boats and business), journey with Him daily, open their hearts to being changed by God, and call others to the same journey. Many other men and women followed Him as well. In the same spirit, the disciples (Acts 1:21-22) chose Matthias to replace Judas because he had "journeyed with Jesus daily and was ready to witness to Him." St. Paul, in turn, became the great apostle to the Gentiles, widening the Christian world even further. *Reflection: How do you measure up to Jesus' call to leave where you are*

(mentalities, prejudices, priorities), follow Him daily, and then share the Good News with others?

July 2, 2023 Hokehankisd

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

Barbara V. Dorian, 2nd Anniversary: Requested by Dan K. Dorian & Lisa Kolligian Dorian, Janice Dorian, Lois & Ronald Malconian for sister;
Ashley & Scott Martin, Amanda & Matthew Keller, Sarah Malconian & Kwasi Mensah, Ronald Malconian & Trisha Brandt, Danielle & Gary Dodakian for aunt;
Matty and Danny Keller, Gary C. Dodakian, Theo Vartan Mensah for great-aunt;
Nancy R. Kolligian, Michele M. Kolligian & Bob Khederian, Karen & Bill Martin for khunamee.

Dn. Khugas Krikorian, 60th Anniversary: Requested by Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian, Anne Krikorian Capizzi, Lisa, Scott and Scotty Wentzell, Gregory, Lisa, Ella, Luke, Ruby and Blake Krikorian for father, grandfather and great-grandfather.



ALTAR FLOWERS AND CANDLES

Today's Altar flowers and candles are donated from the Trust Fund established by Sooren & Mary Daniels in memory of their parents and brother George, Takoohi, Vahan, Sooren & Mary Daniels.

Today starts the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of our Diocese. All parishes across the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern) have been requested to offer this brief prayer service at the conclusion of church services.

A Prayer for Our Country

written by
Senate Chaplain Barry Black
and illustrated by
Kim Holt

Eternal God, who commands the sun to appear,
we come to You today with thankful hearts.
Lord, we are grateful for the breath of the morning,
for the strength that lies in us,
for friends, and family.
We praise You for the glory of Your creation.
For the songs of the birds,
the beauty of the flowers,
and every evidence of Your love.
Loving Father, we who are blessed with clothes to wear,
food to eat, and homes to shelter us,
ask You to bless the people who are hungry, hurting, and hopeless.
Use us as Your hands, feet, eyes, and ears, and heart to bring joy to
others.
Lord, lead us as a shepherd directs the sheep.
Teach us to use words wisely.
Remind us the harsh words hurt, while kinds words heal.
May our words refresh others so that we will be refreshed ourselves.
Strong God, give us the ability to see Your divine image in every
human being.
Remind us that You do not love some people better than others,
and may this knowledge unites us as a human family.
Great God, we admit that we face big problems.
Sometimes, we feel scared, hurt, and even lost.
It's easy for us to feel overwhelmed by the work we need to do.
But we know that You are always with us.
Give us wisdom to understand that You are stronger than any
challenge we face.
Lord, thank You for choosing to call us Your children.
Show us how to live so that this country may be a better place,
and help us to do our best whether there is anyone to see or not.
Thank You for always being with us.,
causing the shadows of night to flee.
We pray in your loving name.
Amen.

DIVINE LITURGY

Deacons: Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, George Stepaniants

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

Altar Server: Arek Gulbankian

Organist: Nune Hakobyan

Choir Members: 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

John Marsoobian, Sr., 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.



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



****During church service this morning,
we will ask you to join us in the singing of
God Bless America.****



GOD BLESS AMERICA

God Bless America, land that I love.

Stand beside her and guide her

Through the night with a light from above.

From the mountains, to the prairies,

To the oceans white with foam,

God Bless America,

My home sweet home.

God bless America,

My home sweet home.

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

Mon, July 10	Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament; Marlborough Country Club
Tues, Jul 11	P.C. Meeting; Parish House, 6:45pm
Mon-Fri, Aug 14-18	Trinity Kids' Place
Sun, Sept 17	Holy Trinity Annual Church Picnic- ALL WELCOME

SAVE THE DATE

Sat, Oct 21	Great Gatsby Gala to Celebrate 100 Years of Holy Trinity Church <i>*Keep a look out for details*</i>
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COMMUNITY NEWS



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY:

The Armenian American Medical Association (AAMA) is seeking applicants for its 2023-2024 academic year scholarships. Qualifications:

- Of Armenian descent
- Must be originally from New England or accepted to/enrolling in nursing or graduate program at a New England college/university
- Degree programs include: MD, DO, PA, NP, CRNA, RN, Dental, Podiatry, etc.

For more information and application, scan QR code or visit:
www.aamaboston.org

DEADLINE: October 31, 2023

