

Sunday, July 30, 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)

**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 alt*

**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 5:1-10** The Song of the Vineyard is a famous parable of disobedience and disappointed love. The song tells of a man who lovingly plants and tends to a vineyard, building a watchtower and a winepress and waiting for the bounty of wine-worthy grapes. Yet he finds only wild grapes, symbols of a willful Israel and Judah, and warns of the ruin that will come to pass. *Reflection: God asks His people what more He could have possibly done (v. 4) for them to bear worthy fruit. How would you assess the spiritual fruit in your life?*

**1 Corinthians 6:18-7:11** St. Paul exhorts his listeners to shun sexual immorality and respect their bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit. He reminds husbands and wives that their bodies belong to each other and that where there are difficulties, reconciliation should be sought. *Reflection: We are not our own – we are God's, bought at a price! (6:19-20) How does this faith fact change how you look at your body? At the ways you might be abusing it with excess?*

**Matthew 19:3-12** The Pharisees challenge Jesus with the question of divorce. He responds by referring them to the creation of marriage as recounted in Genesis where “two become one” – an indissoluble sum. Speaking against the ease with which men legally terminated their marriages at the time, Jesus preached the importance of the marriage covenant. *Reflection: The Armenian Church acknowledges divorce and remarriage although a second wedding ceremony carries a penitential message. As He so often did, Jesus was posing a radically different approach to covenants –honor them! And while marriages where there is abuse, addiction, chronic infidelity, etc., require serious intervention, many marriages might be redeemed with committed effort. What do you think? Could the high divorce rates of today's world benefit from Jesus' hope?*

#### **Tuesday, August 1 Honors Twelve Prophets**

The 12 “minor” prophets are hardly unimportant (minor being a reference only to the shorter length of their books). Written between the 8th and 5th centuries BC, their work teams with powerful metaphors, all pointing us to the arrogance and hypocrisy of human behavior which God endures with patient love and, at times, angry frustration. In Hosea, God's love for the wayward Israel is compared with that of a husband for a straying wife as He promises to restore His people to covenant faithfulness. In Jonah, a smugly self-confident prophet learns, to his dismay, that God's mercy extends to all repentant sinners, even His enemies. In Amos, we are reminded that worship and reverence for God are meaningless without justice for the poor and oppressed; social justice is the foundation for true piety. *Reflection: Read Amos 5:21-24. If Amos were preaching in your church, how would he assess your efforts on behalf of the poor and needy? What can you do personally and as a parishioner to be God's merciful hands in the world?*

## **July 30, 2023 Hokehankisd**

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

**Peter Talanian:** Requested by Joyce Talanian, Ron & Diane Krueger and Family for father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

**Siranoush Sally Krikorian, 20th Anniversary:** Requested by Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian and Family, Anne Krikorian Capizzi for mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

**Nevia Pierannunzi, 20th Anniversary:** Requested by Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian and Family for mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

**Joseph Poladian, 46th Anniversary:** Requested by Araxie Poladian, Mark & Maral Ayanian, Lori, Joseph, Nayiri and Shant for husband, father and grandfather.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS & CANDLES**

Today's Altar flowers and candles are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar in memory of Kachig Daniels & Nuvart Daniels from the Trust Fund established by Zaven & Arsen Daniels for brother and mother.

### **Congratulations**

\*Congratulations to Ani Alice Keverian & Nathan Nazaret Kibarian who received the sacrament of matrimony yesterday, July 29, in our Church. We pray that Almighty God may bless and keep them under the protection of the Holy Cross.\*

### **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION/BLESSING OF GRAPES**

**Sunday, August 13, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother-of-God, "Asdvadzadzin," one of the major Feast Days of the Armenian Church. On this occasion, a solemn Divine Liturgy will be celebrated in our Church, beginning at 9:45 a.m.**

**Following the Divine Liturgy, the traditional Blessing of the Grapes will take place in the Church. All those wishing to donate grapes or contribute in lieu of grapes may call the Church office.**

## **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 and Soloists:** Victoria Avetisyan, Sdn. Robert Dulgarian, Arpie Kouzouian,  
Yeghishe Manucharyan, Ani Ross Grubb

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## **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.\**

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## **Fellowship Hour**

**You are all welcome to join us following Church Services for Fellowship Hour.**

*\*If you are interested in hosting Fellowship hour during the months of July and August, please contact the church office.\**

SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER 14, 7PM



ORGANIZED BY HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN SCHOOL

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## HOLY TRINITY ANNUAL PICNIC

Join us on **September 17, 2023**, for an  
afternoon of food, fellowship, music,  
and fun!

Details coming soon







Save  
the  
Date

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Banquet to celebrate  
100 YEARS  
OF THE  
HOLY TRINITY  
PARISH



# 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



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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.

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# HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

**Mon-Fri, Aug 14-18**

**Trinity Kids' Place**

**Tues, Aug 8**

**P.C. Meeting;** Johnson Hall, 6:45pm

**Tues, Aug 29**

**Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;**  
Marlborough Country Club (*RESCHEDULED DATE*)

**Mon, Sept 4**

**Labor Day** (*Church Office is closed*)

**Sun, Sept 17**

**Holy Trinity Annual Church Picnic- ALL WELCOME**

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Thur, Sept 14**

**Screening of " It's Spring...."; 7pm**  
Organized by the Holy Trinity Armenian School

**Sun, Sept 17**

**Holy Trinity Annual Picnic**

**Sun, Sept 24**

**Banquet to celebrate *100 Years of the Holy Trinity Parish***

**Sat, Oct 21**

**Great Gatsby Gala to Celebrate 100 Years of Holy Trinity Church**

*\*Keep a look out for details\**

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### **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 a 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](http://www.aamaboston.org)

**DEADLINE: October 31, 2023**

