

Sunday, June 18, 2023  
**Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston**

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**Celebrant: The Pastor**  
**SUNDAY BULLETIN**



**Father's Day**

On the occasion of Father's Day, we extend best wishes to all the fathers of our Church and pray for their good health and God's blessings upon them.

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**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: Is 1:1-15. Rom 6:12-23. Mt 12:1-8.

**Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 12, vs. 1-8 and will be read by Sona Tashjian.**

### **From Today's Bible Reading**

**Matthew 12:1-8** When the Pharisees chastise Jesus for allowing His disciples to pick grain on the Sabbath, He cites many instances from their own history (King David) and tradition (practices of priests at the Jerusalem temple) to counter their accusations. Alluding to the prophet Hosea's words, He declares human need (hunger in this case) more important than rules. *Reflection:*

*Prayerfully contemplate this lovely NLT version of Hosea 6:6 (to which Jesus refers): "I want you to show love, not offer sacrifices. I want you to know Me more than I want burnt offerings." What changes in your 'habits of faith' might these words prompt you to make?*

**Romans 6:12-23** St. Paul exhorts his listeners to reject sin as their master, since they now live under grace rather than the Law. God has freed us from enslavement to sin; obedience leads to righteousness. "The wages of sin are death;" but holiness leads to eternal life with Christ Jesus.

*Reflection: If St. Paul were here today, what sins would he say enslave our society?*

**Isaiah 1:1-15** God despairs of a rebellious people who continue to turn from His ways. Since their hearts are not open to God, their worship and prayers are meaningless. "Your incense is detestable to me...I cannot bear your assemblies!"(v.13) *Reflection: Worship of God needs to spring from genuine faith and reverence to have meaning. How would you rate your worship?*

#### **Tuesday, June 20, honors Sts. Constantine the Emperor & his mother Helena**

Constantine was the first Roman Emperor to convert to the Christian faith, most probably under the influence of his mother Helena, a convert herself, and a woman known for her deep faith and service to the poor. He is credited for the Edict of Milan in 313 which mandated tolerance for Christianity in the Empire. He convened the first Ecumenical Council (Nicaea) in 325 to address church controversies. And in his quest for the true cross of Christ, he dispatched his revered mother Helena to Jerusalem, where, in 326, she discovered three crosses at an excavation site. In order to determine which was the Cross of Christ, one source reports that St. Macarius, the Bishop of Jerusalem, alternately touched a corpse to each; the deceased came to life at the one deemed the True Cross. (The Discovery of the True Cross is an important feast in the Armenian Church, Kiud Khach, celebrated in October.) The Church of the Holy Sepulcher, over which the Armenian Church shares authority to this day, was then built at the site of the discovery, by order of Helena and Constantine. *Reflection: Just as Helena was for her son, women in the history of the Armenian Church have been important influencers. Without Sts. Santookht, Hripsime, Gayane, Ashkhen and Khosrovitookht, our conversion as a nation might have taken quite a detour. Who are the women who have inspired your faith?*

## **June 18, 2023 Hokehankisd**

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

**Garabed “Garo” Parikian**, Nicosia, Cyprus, **40th Day:** Requested by the Baladouni, Maroukian, Kouzouian and Derderian Families for uncle, great-uncle and cousin.

**Marilyn Donabedian:** Requested by the Family of Marilyn Donabedian for mother and grandmother.

**Virginia Zouranjian, Koren & Houliane Zouranjian, Peter & Santook Orchanian:** Requested by Albert Zouranjian and Family for wife, mother & grandmother parents & grandparents, father-in-law, mother-in-law & grandparents.

**\*Holy Trinity Church's Annual Requiem will take place in the fall instead of this month.\***  
**Exact date will be communicated in the weeks to come.**

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

*Today's Altar flowers are donated for the glory of God from:*

- The Trust Fund established by Elizabeth and Isabel Toomajian in memory of father, John Toomajian
- The Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust Fund in memory of Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Levon, Louise Aznev & Virginia Louise Zartarian

### **CANDLE OF GRATITUDE**

**Today is Father's Day, a time to remember and honor our fathers. We invite you to light a candle in memory of, or in thanksgiving for, your father. Take a moment to light a candle and offer a prayer to thank God for your father - without whose guidance, support and encouragement - your life would not have been the same.**

**Candles are available in the Vestibule.**

## **DIVINE LITURGY**

**Deacons:** Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, George Stepanyants

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

**Altar Server:** Areg Gulbenkian

**Organist:** Nune Hakobyan

**Choir Members:** 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 hosted by  
Holy Trinity's Parish Council and Diocesan Delegates.

# 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**

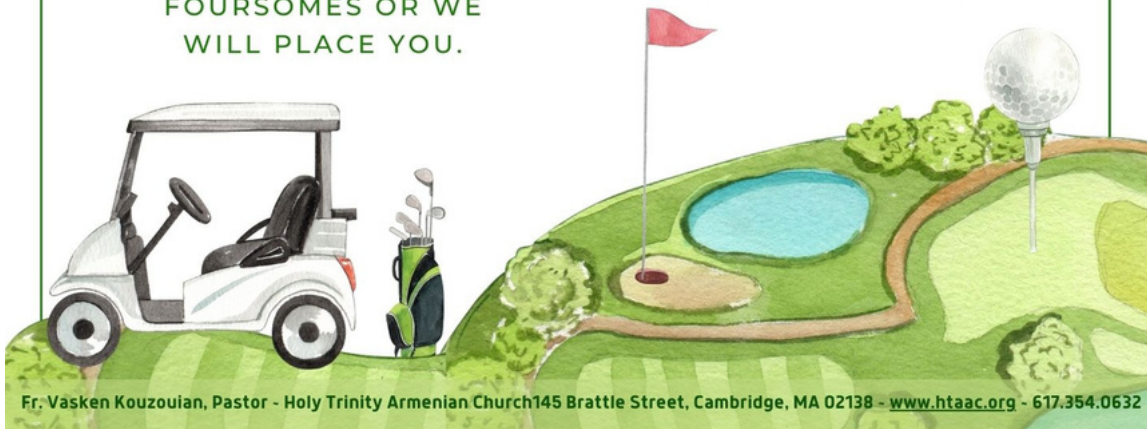
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GOLFERS: MEN AND  
WOMEN DIVISIONS

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OR BETTER BALL

MAKE YOUR OWN  
FOURSOMES OR WE  
WILL PLACE YOU.

LONGEST DRIVE  
CLOSEST TO THE PIN



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OCTOBER

21

2023



1923

*Shawmut Ave*

2023

*Brattle St*





# 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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## WORSHIP SUMMER 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, July 10**

**Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;  
Marlborough Country Club**

**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**

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

