

Sunday, March 23, 2025
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

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SUNDAY BULLETIN



Today is the Sunday of the Steward

GREAT LENT

Great Lent, which began on Monday, March 3, and ends on Saturday, April 12, is the 40-day period of spiritual preparation that leads to the greatest feast of the Church - Easter. It is a time for focused spiritual disciplines, prayer, reading the Bible, service, giving, fasting and living a simpler life.

*The altar curtain is closed during Lent until Palm Sunday.
Holy Communion will not be offered collectively during that period of time.*

Throughout Lent:

- We do not receive or pass the Voghchooyn (Kiss of Peace).
- Holy Communion is not administered. Those in need of Holy Communion may see the Celebrant following the Badarak.
 - Mahs is distributed to the faithful regularly.
- We do not approach the Celebrant at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy to kiss the Gospel.

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.

DIVINE LITURGY

Deacons: Gregory Krikorian, Armen Skenderian, Oscar Derderian III, Gregory Dorian, Robert Dulgarian, Stephen Hollisian, Harry Lang, Armen Skenderian, Mark Torosian

Sub-Deacons: Kevork Atinizian, Edward Khachatryan

Altar Server: Arek Gulbankian

Organist: Nune Hakobyan

Choir Members and Soloists: Victoria Avetisyan, Dn. Robert Dulgarian, Ani Ross Grubb, Arpie Kouzouian, Yeghishe Manucharyan

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are requested for the protection and prosperity of our homeland the Republic of Armenia and its people, as well as our home of the United States of America.

Your prayers are also requested for

Zaven Ovian, Nicole Prince

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.

Readings of the Day: Is. 56:1-57:21. Eph. 4:17-5:14. Lk.16:1-31.

**Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to
St. Luke, chapter 16, vs. 19-31.**

From Today's Bible Reading

Luke 16:1-31 See below for the Parable of the Steward (1-13). Today's reading also includes the renowned story of the unnamed rich man and Lazarus. The rich man ignores the poor and ailing Lazarus and after both have died, he sees that Lazarus is in heaven at Abraham's side. Lamenting his own torment far from God, he asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his brothers of what can happen when they live selfish lives. Abraham tells him they had already been well informed by the Law and the Prophets so nothing more could help. *Reflection: What do you think Jesus means when he says "No one can serve two masters" (13)? What "masters" pull you away from God? What makes it so difficult for people to be convinced of God's ways?*

Ephesians 4:17-5:14 St. Paul notes that 'children of light' must set aside past behaviors, having become renewed in Christ and created to be like God in true holiness (vv.23-24). The way of love excludes all the vices we might have once considered acceptable. *Reflection: What specific ways does St. Paul cite as examples of "new self" behavior? (25: speak truthfully, 26: let go of anger quickly, 28: engage in useful work so we're able to help others, 29: speak to build others up, 31: do not be bitter, or angry or slander others, 5:1: imitate God, 2: live a life of love, 3: avoid sexual immorality or any kind of impurity or greed, 7: avoid the people who encourage you to behave immorally.) Of those listed, what one behavior do you need God's help with?*

Isaiah 56:1-57:21 Isaiah shares God's exhortation to his people to maintain justice, do what is right, keep the holy day holy and welcome all people, even "outsiders," removing obstacles in their way. To these he promises joy and blessings. He rails against the selfishness and ignorance of Israel's leaders who seek their own gain with "mighty appetites." *Reflection: Why the importance of keeping the Sabbath holy? How do you dedicate the day to the Lord? Does your church family or your Sunday worship service present obstacles for someone of another background?*

Today is the Sunday of the Steward

Stewards oversaw the finances and all the affairs of the house for wealthy families of ancient times. The steward in this parable (often translated as the "shrewd manager") is far-sighted about his own welfare. When his master accuses him of wasteful ways, demanding an accounting and threatening his dismissal, the steward reduces the moneys owed to his master by others so that they might employ him should it come to that (he was actually lowering his own built-in commission in every negotiation). He is commended by the master. Although a challenging parable, it is easier to understand when we see that Jesus is asking us to be as diligent and ambitious about our spiritual welfare as we are about our worldly security (8-9). *Reflection: What masters pull at you for allegiance?*

March 23, 2025 Hokehankisd

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

Robert Boyajian, 40th Day: Requested by Albert & Linda Abkarian

Stephan, Lisa, Ariana, Christina and Sophia Hovnanian, Oliver, Laura, Eric and Danielle Ozcan for brother, uncle and great-uncle

Lillian Kezerian, 1st Anniversary: Requested by Albert & Linda Abkarian and Family for aunt, great-aunt and great, great-aunt

George Michael Malkasian, 1st Anniversary: Requested by The Malkasian Family, Suzanne & Mark Sheridan for son, father and brother

Rose V. Kolligian, 28th Anniversary: Requested by Nancy R. Kolligian, Lisa Kolligian & Dan Dorian, Michele M. Kolligian & Bob Khederian for mother; Ashley & Scott Martin and Amanda, Matt, Matty and Danny Keller for grandmother and great-grandmother; Henry Gostanian for aunt; Janice Dorian khenamee; Karen & Bill Martin for khenamee

Rose V. Kolligian, 28th Anniversary: Requested by Greg and Crystal Kolligian for mother; Gregory A. III and Jack Avedis for grandmother

Marie & Louis DeLena: Requested by Charlene Callahan & Lou DeLena for parents

Charles Hamparian, Rose & Vahram Sargavakian: Requested by Adrienne Hamparian & Family for husband, father and grandfather; parents and grandparents

Virginia Zouranjian: Requested by Albert Zouranjian and Family for wife, mother and grandmother



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar flowers are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar by:
Altar flowers are donated in memory of Virginia Zouranjian by Albert Zouranjian and Family

Our Office has temporarily relocated while we undergo needed renovations!

From March 13th to mid-September, the Parish Office will be located in Shahe Hall.
Same times, same phone numbers, new location!

Upcoming Lenten Sundays and Feast Days

TODAY - Sunday of the Steward

March 30 - Sunday of the Judge

April 6 - Sunday of the Advent

April 13 - Palm Sunday

April 20 - Easter Sunday



Holy Trinity Lenten Services

Join us on **Wednesday evenings during Lent**
in the Holy Trinity Sanctuary for Lenten Services where the prayers of
"I Confess with Faith" by St. Nersess Shnorhali are read.

March 12, 2025 at 7 p.m.

March 19, 2025 at 7 p.m.

March 26, 2025 at 7 p.m.

April 2, 2025 at 7 p.m.

(First Wednesdays will begin at 7:30pm)

April 9, 2025 at 7 p.m.

A light Lenten supper will be available in Johnson Hall **a half hour before** services begin.

TODAY!

MID-LENTEN LUNCHEON

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Sunday, March 23, 2025

*Immediately following Church services
Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall*



Traditional Lenten Meal

Vospov Kheyma, Salad, Pita Bread, Dessert
(Macaroni & Cheese option available)

Donation

\$10 per meal (\$5 for children under 10)

Hosted by the ACYOA Juniors

A portion of the proceeds will benefit our parish pilgrimage's humanitarian efforts in Armenia.

*Vosp meal is donated and prepared by David and Liza Dorian
in memory of **Makrouhi Haroutunian***

RSVP by March 20 to the church office at **617.354.0632** or at Office@htaac.org
Limited seating available day of event



Special Presentation During Mid-Lenten Luncheon

"Welcome to St. Vartan Camp"

An informational session led by Lerna Lacinian
Diocesan Camp Ministries Coordinator





On this Saintly Women’s Day, we honor Saint Gayane and recognize the women of our parish who selflessly serve. Whether on the Parish Council, teaching our church schools, assisting in the kitchen, or leading our youth groups, their contributions are truly invaluable.



Holy Trinity Armenian Church

Saintly Women’s Day



Commemorating Saint Gayane

This special day is an opportunity for us to honor remarkable women who have inspired and uplifted our communities throughout history and to celebrate the strength and resilience of women in our own lives.

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MARCH

This Sunday in honor of Saintly Women’s Day, the Trinity Ladies Circle will participate in the Divine Liturgy by offering the Gospel reading, passing a special plate*, and sharing the biography of Saint Gayane



*A second plate will be passed on this occasion to benefit the Women’s Guild Central Council to fund ministry programs throughout the Diocese

Enjoy light mezze
and drinks while
you paint stunning
Mt. Ararat
and Khor Virap.

**TRINITY LADIES CIRCLE &
ACYOA PRESENT**

Paint Night



Adults: \$40

Youth & Students: \$25

*Includes: supplies,
canvas, instruction,
and refreshments*

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

6PM - 9PM

Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall

A portion of the
proceeds will benefit
our parish pilgrimage's
humanitarian efforts
in Armenia.



**Advance Payment
& RSVP Required
by March 28th!**

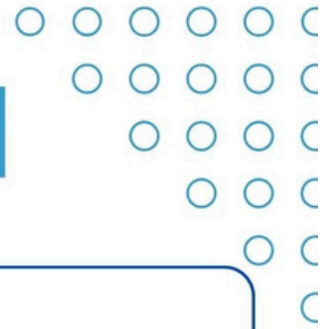
RSVP to the Church
Office 617-354-0632
or office@htaac.org

Register online at
<https://bit.ly/HTACPainNight25>

Holy Trinity Armenian Church

TMU DINNER PRESENTATION

April 14, 2025 ~ Talanian Hall



GUEST SPEAKER

STEPHEN HOLLISIAN

E-911 EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER

Mezze 5:45pm
Dinner 6:45pm

All Welcome

Losh Kebab or Kheyma Meal
\$22

Cash bar is available

Cash or check only. Sorry we do not have availability to accept credit cards at our meetings.

Stephen Hollisian went to Northeastern University and majored in Criminal Justice with a dual minor in Sociology and Law and Public Policy. He completed a two-year co-op with The Guardian Force (a private security company) and the Brookline Police Department's Firearms/Identification Unit. Afterward, he was rehired in the Firearms Unit and then worked as an enhanced 911 Telecommunications Dispatcher for the Town of Brookline for seven years. As a dispatcher he handled 911 calls, the business lines, interactions with Police, Fire, EMS and the public. He worked during major incidents such as the Marathon Bombing, Las Vegas shooting, Pulse Nightclub, and Fort Hood.

SPEAKER

He is trained and certified in over 30 different critical and high stress scenarios such as Multi-Agency Response to Active Shooters, Dispatch Call-taking, Dealing in Disaster Relief, CPR In Person/OTP, Mental Health First Aid, Advanced Emergency Medical Dispatch, Bomb Threats, Swatting, Domestic Violence Prevention, Drug Apprehension and much more.

He will speak about the high stress job of emergency work and attempt to bridge the gap between fact and fiction when it comes to 911 Dispatching and address some common misconceptions people have about the profession. He will speak about the daily activities of a 911 dispatcher, the hardships they face and the constant battle each dispatcher fights, not only from within, but with the never ending criminal underworld that plagues our society.

RSVP is highly encouraged



Email tmu@htaac.org (preferred) or call the office at 617.354.0632

TMU
presents
**1000 CLUB
DINNER**

Sunday
APRIL | 27 | 2025

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICES

**WE WILL HAVE PLENTY OF LOSH DINNERS AVAILABLE
FOR SIT DOWN AND TAKE HOME MEALS.**

Limited amount of chicken dinners will also be available

**SPECIAL DINNER PRICE FOR THIS DRAWING:
\$15 PER MEAL**

If you purchase a 1 year number during the drawing we will include 1 meal at no cost for every number purchased including 1 year renewals.

You will also be able to purchase that day:

- One time number \$5.
- 5 one time numbers for \$20.
- Yearly numbers at \$60.

You may also renew your number at this drawing.

Please bring cash or check.
Cash bar available.

Save the Date
**THE 2025
GREGORY HINTLIAN
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Armenian Church

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025



MARLBOROUGH
COUNTRY CLUB



***PRIORITY REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

REGISTER ONLINE AT bit.ly/TKP2025-RegistrationForm



Trinity Kids' Place



AUGUST 4-8, 2025

HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH'S
19H ANNUAL SUMMER PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-9
THEME: *CELEBRATING OUR GOD-GIVEN GIFTS*

8:45 AM-1:30 PM DAILY / EXTENDED DAY OPTION TO 3 PM

PLEASE DIRECT ALL INQUIRIES TO youth@htaac.org

**PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR HOLY TRINITY FAMILIES ENDS MARCH 31
BEGINNING APRIL 1, REGISTRATION IS FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED*

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HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

- TODAY** **Mid-Lenten Luncheon for the Parish;**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12pm- 1:30pm
- Wed, April 2** **First Wednesdays “Annunciation of Mary”;**
Johnson Hall, In person, 6:45pm- 7:45pm
- Fri, April 4** **Paint Night! Hosted by the TLC and ACYOA;**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 6pm- 9pm
- Sun, April 13** **Palm Sunday Banquet hosted by the ACYOA;**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, following Church Services
- Mon, April 14** **TMU Meeting with Guest Speaker, Stephen Hollisian**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall,
Mezze: 5:45pm Dinner: 6pm (*All Welcome*)
- Sat, April 19** **Church Schools Easter Worship Service & Breakfast;**
Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 10am- 12:30pm
- Sun, April 20** **Easter**
- Sun, April 27** **TMU/ 1000 Club Dinner and Drawing;**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, following Church Services
- Sun, May 4** **Vernissage at Holy Trinity hosted by ACYOA Seniors;**
Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12pm- 5:30pm
- Wed, May 7** **First Wednesdays “Ascension”;**
Johnson Hall, In person, 6:45pm- 7:45pm
- Mon, June 16** **2025 The Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;**
Marlborough Country Club
- Mon, Aug 4- Fri, Aug 8** **Trinity Kids’ Place**