

Sunday, May 4, 2025
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

Father Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor
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SUNDAY BULLETIN



Today is the Sunday of the World Church (Green Sunday)

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)

DIVINE LITURGY

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

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.

ADDITIONAL EASTER OFFERING AND FLOWER DONATION

The Easter Flowers were donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar by:

Anna Glover

The Youghakin Offerings were donated for the glory of God by:

Robert Nahabedian in memory of Charles & Alice Nahabedian

Ara & Taline Balikian

Palm Sunday palms were donated by Ara & Taline Balikian

Readings of the Day: Acts 9:23-31. 1 Pt 2:1-10. Jn 2:23-3:12

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. John, ch. 2, vs. 23 - ch. 3, vs. 12.

From Today's Bible Reading

John 2:23-3:12 Nicodemus, a Jewish leader and teacher, is impressed with the “signs and wonders” Jesus has performed and wants to know more. Jesus tells him of a second, even more life-changing birth when we are born again “of water and the Spirit.” *Reflection: The Armenian Church baptizes infants while godparents, parents, and community stand witness and pledge to nurture the child's faith. We are “born again” at baptism, but what are ways to continue this spiritual birthing throughout our lives?*

Acts 9:23-31 The newly converted St. Paul is preaching in the synagogues of Damascus. When his life is threatened, followers lower him over a wall in a basket. Barnabus later introduces and defends him to the apostles in Jerusalem (who might have been wary since Paul was once a zealous persecutor of Christians). The church experiences peace and great growth. *Reflection: The church is described as “living in the fear of God.” (v.31) The Greek word “phobos” denotes reverential awe so v 31 literally translates from the Greek as “[the churches] walked in awe of God, were comforted by the Holy Spirit and grew in numbers.” What might this be telling us about what is needed for the church, the Body of Christ, to grow? Do you feel this awe? See Galatians 5:22-26 for the fruit that walking with the Spirit bears in us individually.*

1 Peter 2:1-10 The apostle Peter describes all believers as “living stones” who come to the Living Stone, Christ, to be built into the spiritual house that is the Church. He eloquently outlines the new status believers have with God. *Reflection: These images of Peter's (vv 9-10) are meant to describe each one of us. Rewrite them in your own words; elaborate as if you were explaining them to someone else. How might these qualities influence the way you live?*

Today is Sunday of the World Church (Green Sunday)

The second Sunday after Easter is dedicated to the very first church in the world – established in Jerusalem by Christ. It was there in the Upper Room (Ver na-doon) that Jesus shared His Body and Blood in the bread and wine of the new Covenant with His disciples and where they in turn gathered with other followers before and after the Resurrection and at Pentecost. It was this nucleus of Christ's church that would one day become a church of millions. Although the site remains a place of pilgrimage, the original building itself no longer exists. In its place, we have a world church the entire earth which the Christian Church has taken under its roof. The name “green” conveys the idea of new life in Christ's resurrection as well as its glorious evidence in nature at this time of year. *Reflection: As in the budding greenery of spring, what outer evidence would others see in you of your new life in Christ?*

May 4, 2025 Hokehankisd

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

Grace & Ozzie Nanian: Requested by Karen & William Martin, Denise & Harry Boghigian, Jeffrey, Nina and Amelia Martin, Scott, Ashley and Josephine Martin, Brett, Colleen, Layla and Leo Boghigian and Todd & Sophie Boghigian for parents, grandparents and great-grandparents

Victoria & Setrack Talanian, Stella Talanian and Helen & Peter Kaloostian: Requested by Karen & William Martin, Denise & Harry Boghigian and Families for grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts and uncle

Anne Ohanian Aykanian, Mary Ohanian & Assador Ohanian: Requested by Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian for aunt, grandmother and grandfather

John & Lucille Demirjian, Mary & Jack Ishkanian and Satenig Maksudian: Requested by Rick & Carol Ishkanian for parents and grandmother

Martin Dulgarian, 15th Anniversary: Requested by Robert Dulgarian for father

Queenie (Cohar) Delanjian, 20th Anniversary, Andre W. Delanjian, 22nd Anniversary: Requested by the Ekchian, Tabeek, Hennessey, Delanjian, Jones, and Austin Families for parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents

Oscar Shervanian, 20th Anniversary, Mary Shervanian, 15th Anniversary: Requested by Michael Shervanian and Family, Steven Shervanian and Family, Margaret LoPresti and Family, children and grandchildren



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar flowers are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar by:

Rick & Carol Ishkanian in memory of
John & Lucille Demirjian, Mary & Jack Ishkanian and Satenig Maksudian

Today!

Holy Trinity Armenian Church

BABY BLESSING



SUNDAY | MAY 4, 2025 | 11:45AM

For babies baptized at Holy Trinity in the last 12 months

Celebrating new life on Green Sunday



As we honor the flourishing of nature on Green Sunday, we ask for God's protection, guidance, and blessings for each child, and pray for their continued growth in faith.

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

Join Us Today

Vernissage

at

Holy Trinity
Armenian Church

Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall

HOSTED BY THE ACYOA SRS.

145 Brattle Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

May 4, 2025
12-5 PM

Portion of
proceeds will
directly support
Ayo!

-Local Artisans
-Handcrafted Wares
-Clothes
-Crafts!

Interested Vendors
Please Scan QR
Code:



HolyTrinityACYOASeniors@gmail.com
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FIRST WEDNESDAYS

A BREATH OF GOD

First Wednesday of every month • Johnson Hall or virtual on zoom • 6:45pm - 7:45pm

In our seventh season, we will virtually visit the Holy Land in our monthly conversations and explore relevant events in our Lord Jesus Christ's life. Through the teaching of our Pastor, Fr. Vasken Kouzouian and Arpi Nakashian of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary, also a Holy Land native, we will virtually visit biblical sites and connect its spiritual message to our 21st century lives.

We warmly welcome you to join our ongoing conversation.

October 2, 2024

Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross

Setting: Church of the Holy Sepulcher

Topic: What Does the Cross Mean to My Life?

February 5, 2025

Jesus' Ministry

Setting: Setting Sail in Galilee

Topic: Peace For Our Hearts

November 6, 2024

Feast of the Holy Archangels Gabriel & Michael

Setting: The Holy Archangels Convent in the Armenian Quarter

Topic: Angels - Myth or Truth

March 5, 2025

Easter

Setting: Cathedral of the Holy Sepulcher

Topic: The Tomb Was Empty...

December 11, 2024*

Christmas & Theophany

Setting: The Jordan River & City of Jericho

Topic: From a Manger to Our Homes

April 2, 2025

Annunciation of Mary

Setting: Nazareth & Gethsemane

Topic: Does the Faith of Mary Relate to our 21st Century World?

January 8, 2025*

Sts James Cathedral

Setting: The Armenian Quarter of Jerusalem

Topic: The Family of the Lord Includes Us

May 7, 2025

Ascension

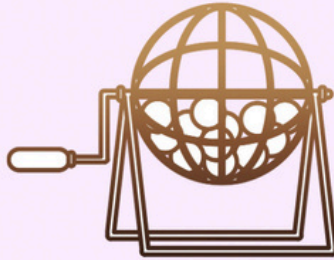
Setting: Mount of Olives, City of Jerusalem

Topic: "I am with you always..."

**Indicates Second Wednesday*

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Holy Trinity Church's 1000 Club



The 1000 Club is a monthly cash raffle with proceeds supporting Holy Trinity Armenian Church.



1000 Club members choose one available number from 000 to 999.

Each month 12 numbers are drawn to award prizes from \$50 to \$1,000 with a total of \$2,000 awarded in cash prizes to the 12 winners.

A one year membership costs just \$60.00!

1000 Club Memberships make great gifts for graduations, birthdays, or any occasion!

Interested in learning
more about the
1000 Club?

Contact the church
office at 617.354.0632
for information!



2025



HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Qualified candidates
can apply at
htaac.org/scholarships

The deadline for
applying is
Monday, May 12, 2025

Scan here!



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

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Armenian Church

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025



MARLBOROUGH
COUNTRY CLUB



COMMUNITY NEWS



UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY
THIS SUMMER



INTENSIVE ARMENIAN LANGUAGE
RELIGION AND HISTORY COURSES FOR
YOUNG ADULTS 18-25

AT THE MOTHER SEE OF HOLY ETCHMIADZIN

Learn Armenian language, history, and faith
Experience cultural workshops in dance, music, and more
Explore historic churches, museums, and cultural sites
Stay at Garegin I Educational Center with all essentials provided

LOCATION

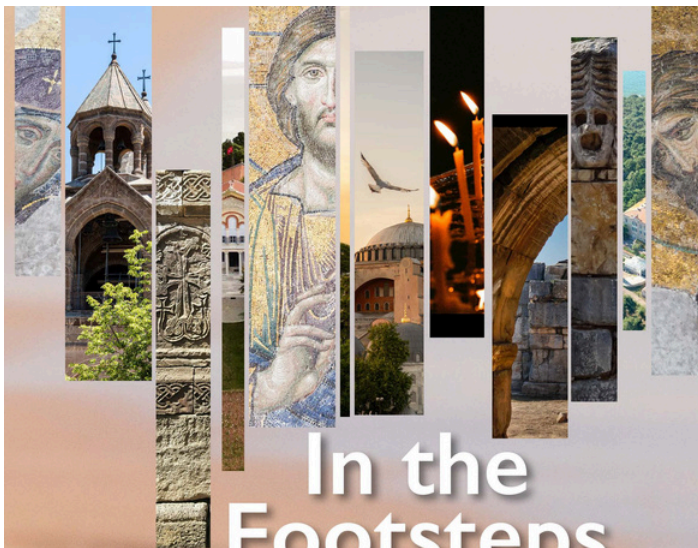
MOTHER SEE OF HOLY
ETCHMIADZIN

3 WEEKS

SESSION 1: JUNE 2-20
SESSION 2: JULY 1-18

CONTACT

Phone Number:
(212) 686-0710



In the Footsteps of Faith

A Christian Pilgrimage
from Constantinople to Armenia
AUG 29-SEPT 8

The Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America are delighted to announce their first joint pilgrimage to Constantinople-Nicaea and Armenia in 2025. This momentous journey, taking place from August 29 to September 8, will commemorate the 1700th Anniversary of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea—a pivotal moment in Christian history that established the Nicene Creed as a foundational confession of the Christian faith shared by the Oriental and Eastern Orthodox Churches.

Led by **ARCHBISHOP ELPIDOPHOROS OF AMERICA** and **BISHOP MESROP PARSAMYAN**, pilgrims will embark on a profound journey of faith and discovery.

CONSTANTINOPLE

Experience the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the center of Eastern Orthodoxy, and celebrate the feast of the Indiction (the beginning of the ecclesiastical year). Visit iconic landmarks such as the Theological School of Halki, Hagia Sophia, and more. Discover the Armenian Patriarchate in Constantinople and learn about its rich history.

NICAEA

Explore the ancient city where the Council convened 1700 years ago, a site of immense historical and theological significance to all Christians.

ARMENIA

Visit the Matenadaran Ancient Manuscript Depository, the Khor Virab Monastery where St. Gregory the Illuminator was imprisoned, and the ancient wine making cave of Areni. Experience the beauty of Lake Sevan and the Sevan Monastery, and attend Divine Liturgy at Holy Etchmiadzin.



SPACES ARE LIMITED. Early registration is strongly encouraged. For inquiries and reservations, please contact Cloud Tours at (718) 721-3808 or email stephen@cloudtours.com. Detailed information regarding costs, travel arrangements, and accommodations will be provided upon request.



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.

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

TODAY

Baby Blessing Service;

Holy Trinity Church Sanctuary, 11:45am

Vernissage at Holy Trinity hosted by ACYOA Seniors;

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 12pm- 5:30pm

Wed, May 7

First Wednesdays "I am with you always...";

Johnson Hall, In person, 6:45pm- 7:45pm

Mon, May 26

Church Office is Closed for Memorial Day

Mon, June 16

2025 The Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament;

Marlborough Country Club

Mon, Aug 4- Fri, Aug 8

Trinity Kids' Place

Our Office has temporarily relocated
while we undergo needed renovations!

Until mid-October, the Parish Office will be located in Shahe Hall.

Same times, same phone numbers, new location!