

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston
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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 haynetzav

(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 Atinian, Edward Khachatrian

Altar Server: Arek Gulbankian

Organist: Nune Hakobyan

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

Church Greeter: Suzanne Ekchian

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, Joyce & John Davagian

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.

Fellowship Hour

You are all invited to join us in the *Peter Adamian Hall* following Church Services for Fellowship Hour hosted by the Sunday School.

**Today, immediately following Badarak,
we will all go down to the beautifully restored
Peter Adamian Hall for a Home Blessing.**

An Armenian home blessing, or Dounohrnek (Տնօրհնեք), is a traditional service where an Armenian Church priest blesses a home, symbolizing inviting God's presence and protection, focusing on bread, water, and salt as gifts of life, and using incense and a blessed wafer (nushkhar) to represent Christ's presence. This ritual signifies transforming the home or space into a "little church" for spiritual nourishment, protection, and fostering a devout, peaceful life.

Upcoming Lenten Sundays and Feast Days

February 15 - Great Barekendan

February 22 - Sunday of Expulsion

March 1 - Sunday of the Prodigal Son

March 8 - Sunday of the Steward

March 15 - Sunday of the Judge

March 22 - Sunday of the Advent

March 29 - Palm Sunday

April 5 - Easter Sunday

Readings of the Day: Lk. 4:14-30. Is. 54:1-13. 1 Tm. 1:1-11. Jn: 2:1-11.

**Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ
according to St. John, chapter 2, vs. 1-11.**

From Today's Bible Reading

John 2: 1-11 (The Miracle at Cana) Attending a wedding with His mother and disciples, Jesus performs what John describes as the first of His miraculous signs, all of which will point to deeper meanings. Turning water into wine heralds the arrival through Jesus of a new era and a new covenant. Water, symbolizing Old Testament ceremonial washings, has been changed into wine of the highest quality and surprising quantity. This “best” wine speaks of the abundant life that Jesus offers (typically, party hosts would water down the wine as the evening waned since revelers would not know the difference). *Reflection: What old ways would you ask Jesus to renew and restore? Be specific.*

1 Timothy 1: 1-11 St. Paul urges Timothy to take a strong position on the false teachings that abound in Ephesus. He reminds the young missionary that faith is not about rules and regulations but rather about the love that comes from “a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.” This inner relationship of faith and life echoes the gospel charge that “by their fruits you shall know them.” (Matthew 7:20) *Reflection: Would you characterize your faith as issuing from God's command to love (v.5)? Or has it “departed from this to meaningless talk” (v.6)? Hmm...*

Isaiah 54: 1-13 The prophet joyously proclaims God's love for His people, described as the relationship that exists between a husband and a wife. Marriage, abandonment, and restored relationship are strong Old Testament themes (see the Book of Hosea). Underlying the metaphor of marriage is the idea of covenant, a binding mutual commitment, as well as deep personal love. *Reflection: In what circumstances have you felt abandoned by God (v.7)? How might the picture of God as a husband renewing his vows (vv 5-8) reassure you?*

St. Vahan of Goghtn

Vahan was born in the eighth century of a princely family in the Goghtn region of the province of Siunik. After persecution of the Armenians by the Arabs in 707 (during which Vahan's father, Prince Khosrov, was killed), fouryear- old Vahan was taken to Damascus where he was raised in the royal court as a Muslim. He was eventually appointed chancellor to the Emir. Some years later, he was allowed to go back to Armenia with the promise to eventually return. Vahan converted to Christianity, married an Armenian princess, and lived a peaceful life for about a decade. With a change of Arab rule, Vahan was sought after, so he left his home and family to escape recapture. While in exile, he became a monk. In 736, Vahan went to the new Arab Emir in uttermost misery. The Emir offered him a high position, authority, and wealth, but Vahan refused, preferring his faith in Christ to personal comfort and glory. He was martyred in 737 A.D. His last words were a bold declaration: “I chose death for the sake of Christ rather than earthly life.”

January 18, 2026 Hokehankisd

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

Debra Stevens, 40th Day: Requested by The Stevens, Snell and Bogosian Families for wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and aunt

Norma K. Daniels, 40th Day: Requested by The Family of Norma Daniels

Agop Haygazian, 3rd Anniversary: Requested by Charlotte Haygazian, Garabet and Nicole Haygazian and Nathaniel and Juliana for husband, father, and grandfather

Ann V. Talanian, 5th Anniversary: Requested by Laurie & Anthony Travia, Deborah Talanian & Fran Fortino for mother

Anne Aroyan, 9th Anniversary: Requested by Judy, Cory and Sarah Shaughnessey for mother and grandmother

Daniel K. Dorian, 15th Anniversary: Requested by Daniel & Lisa Dorian, Janice Dorian, Lois & Ron Malconian for father; Ashley & Scott Martin, Amanda & Matt Keller, Sarah Malconian & Kwasi Mensah, Ron & Trisha Malconian, Danielle & Gary Dodakian for grandfather;

Matty and Danny Keller, Gary C. and Stella Dodakian and Theo Vartan Malconian Mensah for great-grandfather; Nancy R. Kolligian, Michele M. Kolligian & Bob Khederian for Uncle Dan and khenamee

Daniel K. Dorian, 15th Anniversary: Requested by Greg, Crystal, Gregory III and Jack Avedis Kolligian for uncle

Stephen & Nevart Pauline Azarian: From the Trust Fund established by Major Robert Zaven Zartarian

Azad Boghosian, Julia Boghosian & Esther McQuaid: From the Trust Fund established by Esther McQuaid and Julia Boghosian

Nuvert, Setrag, Kachig, Zaven & Arsen Daniels: From the Trust Fund established by Arsen and Zaven Daniels

Mgrdich Kolligian: From the Trust Fund established by Dr. & Mrs. Michael Kolligian, Jr

Charles & Alice Nahabedian, George & Catherine Nahabedian, Shumavon & Altoon Zahigian, and Paul & Margaret Nahabedian: From the Charles & Alice Nahabedian Trust Fund.

Alice Pakrad: Requested by Holy Trinity Church

Charles G. Sahagian, Sarkis & Araxie Sahagian, Virginia Sahagian, and Sukeaus & John Sahagian: From the Trust Fund established by Charles G. Sahagian for parents, sister & uncles

Colombe Agavni Samuelian, Sahag, Anna, Samuel, Malcolm, Madeline & Parantzig Samuelian: From the Trust Fund established by Colombe Agavni Samuelian

Major Robert Zaven Zartarian, Levon, Louise Azney, and Virginia Louise Zartarian: From the Major Robert Zaven Zartarian and Rose M. Chacran Zartarian Trust Fund

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's Altar flowers are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar:

From the Family of Daniel K. Dorian

ALTAR CANDLES

Today's Altar candles are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar:

From Oscar Derderian, III and Alina O. Kouzouian, in memory of their Great-Grandfathers, Oskian Kouzouian and Joseph Vartanesian, Sr.

ALTAR FLOWERS AND ALTAR CANDLES

Today's Altar flowers and candles are donated for the glory of God and the edification of our Altar:

From the Trust Fund established by Arsen and Zaven Daniels

in memory of Nuvart, Setrag, Kachig, Zaven, and Arsen Daniels

“A TASTE OF ARMENIAN HERITAGE”

Holy Trinity Armenian Church

Saturday, January 24, 2026 • 6 PM - 9 PM



Armenian regions share stories and food: Marash, Yerevan, Artsakh, Van, Kharpert, Sepastia, Bolis, Dickrangert, Ainteb, Berejig, Ourfa, Jerusalem, Gyumri

AN ELEGANT CULTURAL GATHERING



Slide
Presentation
& Loop on
Big Screen



Dance
Presentation
in Taraz with
"Shourch Bar"



Art Exhibit
of Taraz
Paintings



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Your Heritage



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Trivia &
Factoids

TICKET INFORMATION

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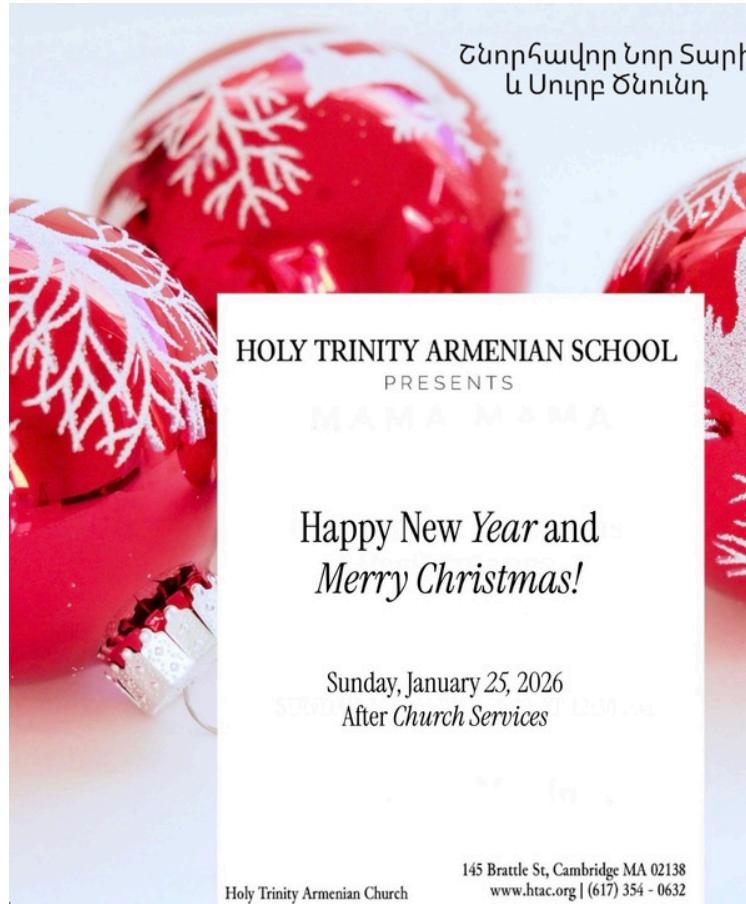
PAID IN ADVANCE ONLY (No tickets sold at door)

ADDRESS: 145 Brattle St, Cambridge, MA

This event is a fundraiser for the Church

Scan this QR Code below to purchase tickets for the event, or call the office at 617-354-0632.





Throughout the day, life hands us questions for which we seek answers. Each month, we discuss one of these life questions through the lens of our Christian Faith.

We warmly welcome you to join our ongoing conversation.

<p>Wednesday, October 1, 2025 When Life Gives You Lemons</p>	<p>Sunday, February 8, 2026 Seeking God in Times of Stress & Anxiety</p>
<p>Tuesday, November 11, 2025 The Power of Forgiveness</p>	<p>Sunday, March 8, 2026 The Joy & Impact of Serving Others</p>
<p>NO LIVING THE WORD DISCUSSIONS IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 8, 2026 Jesus Spoke Seven Last Words From the Cross</p>
<p>Sunday, January 11, 2026 Loneliness vs. Being Alone</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 6, 2026 Trusting God in Hard Times</p>

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

Sat, Jan 24

“A Taste of Armenian Heritage”

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, 6pm- 9pm

Sun, Jan 25

Holy Trinity’s Armenian School Presents, *Happy New Year and Merry Christmas*, following Church Services

Sun, Feb 8

Living the World- Monthly Bible discussion

“Seeking God in Times of Stress and Anxiety”; Johnson Hall, 12:30pm

Sun, March 29

Palm Sunday Banquet

Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall, following Church Services



IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

If severe inclement weather affects Sunday School and Armenian School classes, Church Services, Sunday activities or activities and programs during the week, this information will appear in the following media:

- On TV Channels 4 (WBZ) and CBSBoston.com, Channel 5 (WCWB) and TheBostonChannel.com, Channels 7 and 56, as well as their websites
- Church’s answering machine at 617.354.0632
 - An Email “Alert” sent to parishioners
 - Holy Trinity’s website, www.htaac.org
- Holy Trinity’s Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityArmenianChurch