

Sunday, July 26, 2026
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)

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 Khachatrian

Altar Server: Arek Gulbankian, Michael Avakian

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, Joyce Davagian, Libby Melkonian

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 Johnson Hall following Church Services for Fellowship Hour hosted by the Parish Council.

If you are interested in hosting Fellowship hour during August, please contact the church office.

Readings of the Day: Is 5:1-10. 1 Cor 6:18- 7:11. Mt 19:3-12.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, Chapter 4, vs. 35-41 and will be read by Rev. Jeanne Nadeau.

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?*

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 26, 2026 Hokehankisd

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

Hayr Sourp Oshagan Minassian, 18th Anniversary: Requested by Rev. Jeanne Nadeau, Holy Trinity Choir Members, Karine Bagdasarian, Helen Krikorian for spiritual father

Isabel C. Perkins, 19th Anniversary: Requested by Rev. Jeanne Nadeau for grandmother

ALTAR CANDLES

Today's Altar candles are donated for the glory of God by:

In memory of Hayr Sourp Oshagan Minassian by Rev. Jeanne Nadeau, Holy Trinity Choir Members, Karine Bagdasarian, Helen Krikorian

In memory of Isabel C. Perkins by Rev. Jeanne Nadeau

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and best wishes to Jacob DerHagopian III & Rose Arslanian who received the sacrament of matrimony yesterday, July 25.
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 16, 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.

2026

Holy Trinity Annual Picnic

Sunday,
September 13th

🕒 12:00pm - 5:00pm
(Madagh blessing at 3pm)

📍 Church Courtyard
145 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Delicious Armenian Food

Lamb Kebab • Losh Kebab
Chicken Breast • Eetch
Vegetarian Mezze Platter

We welcome the return of Kevork's Donner Kebab

Gourmet Shack &
More Featuring
Armenian Delicacies



Live Armenian Music Greg Krikorian Ensemble

Greg Krikorian - Oud & Vocals,
Mark DerMugrditchian- Clarinet
Jacob Tanoglu- Kanoun
Mal Barsamian - Guitar
Arthur Chingras - Dumbeg
Steve Surabian-Tamborine (Daf)

50/50 Raffle

Tickets: \$5 each; 6 for \$25

Pre-purchase raffle tickets with
mail-in form, by calling the church
office, or purchase at the picnic.



Art Show

Artwork by Bernard Djevalikian
will be displayed and available
for purchase with all funds
raised benefitting Holy Trinity
Armenian Church

Children's Activities

Face Painting
Pony Rides
Animal Petting Zoo
Balloons
Caricature Artist

TMU DINNER MEETING

Joint meeting with St. James Men's Club!

September 14, 2026 ~ Talanian Hall



GUEST SPEAKER

THOMAS J. KINTON

President of Kinton Aviation Consulting

Mezze 5:45pm

Dinner 6:45pm

All Welcome

**Losh Kebab or Kheyma Meal
\$25**

Cash bar is available

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

Thomas J. Kinton is the President of Kinton Aviation Consulting. He is a nationally and internationally recognized subject matter expert in the aviation industry with 45 years of experience.

SPEAKER

Mr. Kinton served as CEO and Executive Director of the Massachusetts Port Authority from August 2006 until June 2011. He also served as the Director of Aviation and Director of Operations at Massport during the terrorist attacks of 9/11/01.

Please join us as we remember 9/11, 25 years later, with Tom Kinton who was Director of Aviation and Operations at MassPort during those attacks.

**RSVP is highly
encouraged**



**email tmu@htaac.org or
Call the office at 617.354.0632**

COMMUNITY NEWS



Armenian Church of Cape Cod

cordially invites you to
the Ordination to the Holy Diaconate of

Sub-deacon Michael Kasparian

Presided by

His Grace Bishop Mesrop Parsamyan

Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 11 a.m.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

421 Wianno Avenue

Osterville, MA

Banquet & Kef featuring:

Leon Janikian - clarinet

Bob Raphaelian - oud

Jason Naroian - dumbeg

Ken Kalajian - guitar

Sea Crest Beach Resort

350 Quaker Road

North Falmouth, MA

Cocktail Hour - 4:00 PM

Banquet & Program - 5:00 PM

Kef 7:00 - 10:00 PM

125.00/pp

Seating Limited - Advanced Registration Required

For reservations contact Andrea Barber at cellphone: 617-201-9807

or email: andreamb517@aol.com

Tables of ten available

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.; Services conclude - 11:30 a.m.

We urge our faithful to attend Church Services on time

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR

Aug 10- Aug 14

Trinity Kids' Place

Sun, Aug 16

Feast of the Assumption of St. Mary

Mon, Sept 7

Church Office Closed for Labor Day

Sun, Sept 13

Church Schools Opening Day

Holy Trinity Annual Church Picnic - All Welcome!

Courtyard, 12pm to 5pm; Blessing of the Madagh at 3pm

Mon, Sept 14

**TMU and St. James Men's Club Dinner Meeting
with guest speaker, Thomas J. Kinton;**

Talanian Hall, Mezze 5:45pm Dinner 6:45pm

SAVE THE DATE

Sun, Sept 27

Holy Trinity Music Festival



Scan the QR code to
access our online
membership portal.

