

Sunday, August 2, 2026
Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Greater Boston

Father Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor
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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. 3:16-4:1. 1 Cor. 1:25-30. Mt. 18:10-14.

Today's Bible reading is from the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to
St. Matthew, chapter 18, vs. 10-14.

From Today's Bible Reading

Isaiah 3:16-4:1 In God's judgment on Judah and Jerusalem, Isaiah has already sketched the breakdown of social order. He now focuses on the women, whose finery and beauty – representing a culture of luxury and pride – he describes in detail. All will be removed and defiled as punishment. *Reflection: Do you see this “haughty” (v. 16), self-centered attitude reflected in men and women today? In what ways does our consumer culture perpetuate the importance of outer beauty?*

1 Corinthians 1:25-30 St. Paul reminds the faithful that it was not because of their superb qualities that they were called to faith, rather God calls people out of their foolishness, their unimportance, their weakness, to a strength and wisdom that can be found only in Jesus Christ. *Reflection: What do you think Paul meant when he says that the foolish and lowly things will shame the wise and strong (v. 27)? Have you seen this principle at work in the world?*

Matthew 18:10-14 In the preceding verses, Jesus has identified a child – a being without any legal status or rights – as an example to His disciples of the kind of open-hearted, unfettered faith that will be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. He continues with the story of the 100 sheep, confirming that the Father cares for them all fiercely and equally; He will leave the 99 and look for the one lost sheep, celebrating joyfully when it is found. *Reflection: With whom do you relate in the story of the lost sheep? Are you one of the 99, contentedly grazing with fellow believers? The one who wandered off? If the latter, what would bring you back?*

The Feast of St. Cyprian the Bishop was July 20

St. Cyprian (c. 200-258) was a courageous leader at a time of terrifying oppression in the early church. Born to wealthy Roman-African parents, he was a lawyer and teacher of rhetoric before converting in middle age. He quickly rose through the ordained ranks to become Bishop of Carthage (near modern-day Tunis) in North Africa, eventually shepherding a scattered and desperate flock during the Decian persecutions. As a result of these and other attacks against Christians, a crisis developed concerning those (referred to as the “lapsed”) who had succumbed to Roman torture and sacrificed to pagan gods and now wanted to be received back. Taking a moderate stand, Cyprian wrote his renowned treatises *On the Fallen* (*De Lapsis*) and *On the Unity of the Catholic* [meaning universal] Church. He also bore heroic witness to his faith during a plague-induced famine, personally tending to the sick, burying the abandoned dead, and prompting wealthy locals to help the poor. He was eventually martyred. In his important Treatise on the Lord's Prayer Cyprian writes “My dear friends, in these few words there is great spiritual strength, for this summary of divine teaching contains all of our prayers and petitions.” *Reflection: It was once, and continues to be in some places in the world, a matter of life or death to freely express one's Christian faith. Is your faith in Jesus Christ worth dying for? How about simply living for?*

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.

CONGRATULATION

Congratulations to Gaia Odile Yerevanian,
daughter of Alexan & Patil Yerevanian,
who was baptized on Friday, July 31, in our Church. We welcome Gaia into our Christian family of the Holy Trinity Church and pray that Almighty God may keep her under His loving care.

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A Parking Reminder for our Parishioners:

The City of Cambridge is becoming stricter with ticketing and towing in restricted zones around the Church.

Please observe all parking signs around the perimeter of the Church.

*****Most importantly, do not park anywhere on the left side of Sparks Street. The left side of Sparks Street is now an active traffic lane, and your car will be towed if you park there.*****

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.

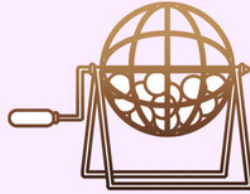
Please join us as we remember 9/11, 25 years later, with Tom Kinton who was Director of Aviation and Operations at MassPort during those attacks.

**RSVP is highly
encouraged**



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

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!



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.

