



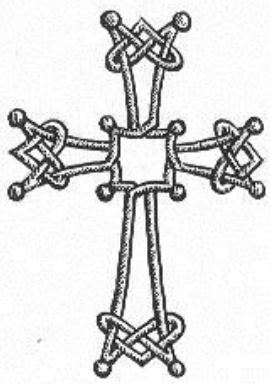
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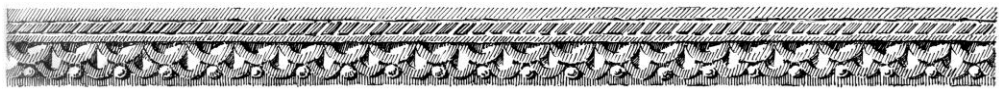
SEPTEMBER 22, 2013

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Paregentan of the Fast of the Cross of Varak
Բարեկենդան Վարագայ Ս. Խաչի պահոց



Armenian Historical Year 4505 (ՏՇԵ)
Armenian Calendrical Year 1461 (ՌՆԿԱ)



Morning Service: 9:15 AM
Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM
Bible Readings: Isaiah 14:3-17; 2 Corinthians 10:18-11:10;
 Mark 10:1-12

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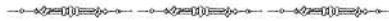
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Ընթերցումներ Եսայի 14:3-17; Բ Կոր. 10:18-11:10; Մարկոս 10:1-12

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Patriarch Mesrob Moutafian

Alexander Adajian	Shoushan Altun	Anais Bulbulian
Babken Dilanjan	Yn. Maireni Donikian	Lucy Genian
Jirayr Gerardo	Hoyle Green	Mihran Guragossian
Nargez Hamayak	Araxi Hardy	Pat Green
Vartges Goorji	Marie Ipjian	Carnig Kahaian
Berjoughi Moukhtarian	Terry Peterson	Joseph Summer
Sunny Tashjian	Vigen Ter-Avakian	Rose Tourounjian
Ankine Yazician	Mari Yegiyayan	Carla Ziegler

If you know anyone that needs our special prayers, please call church office or Der Hovhan so that their names are included in this list.



Please also remember in your prayers our brothers and sisters in Syria and Egypt. May our merciful Father grant eternal rest to the souls of those who have lost their lives, and may He bring a measure of comfort to their loved ones in this time of grief.

We pray, too, that our Lord will touch the wounded with His healing hand, and grant them a complete recovery. May He keep them safe under the shadow of His Holy Cross.

ORDER OF THANKSGIVING PRAYER OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

Friday, September 21, marks the 22nd anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of Armenia. Celebrations are planned in the homeland and in Armenian communities across the Diaspora.

The rebirth of the Armenian homeland is one of the most momentous developments in the history of the Armenian people. Armenian people voted for independence from the Soviet Union on September 21, 1991, and became a member of the United Nations on March 2, 1992.

May our risen Lord bestow his grace on our homeland, keep it under his loving protection, and guide all its citizens—our brothers and sisters—in their heroic work to build a decent, prosperous, and just society.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today our altar is adorned with beautiful flowers donated by Mrs. Zarouhi Kedjidjian in memory of her parents Hagop and Mary Shahinian.

May Almighty God grant rest, peace and light to their souls.

FEASTS

September 22	Eve of the Fast of the Holy Cross of Varak
September 23	Commemoration of Sts. Mamas, Piliktimon and Simeon Stylite
September 24	Commemoration of Sts. Peprone, Mariane and Shoushan, daughter of Vartan the Great
September 26	Commemoration of Sts. Pontiffs Baragham, Antimos and Yeranos
September 28	Commemoration of Sts. Gevorg the Captain, Adoktos and Romanos the Singer

EVE OF THE FAST OF THE HOLY CROSS OF VARAK

This is the Sunday preceding the week prior to the feast of the Appearance of the Holy Cross on the Mount Varak, lasting from Monday to Friday. Being hidden by St. Hripisime on the Mount Varak, the relic of the Lord's Wooden Cross was found by a miracle in the 7th century and the Armenian Apostolic Church established another purely national feast dedicated to the Holy Cross, which is famous as the Holy Cross of Varak.

COMMEMORATION OF ST. GEVORG THE CAPTAIN

St. Gevorg the Captain (St. George the Warrior) was from Cappadocia. He was born in a pious Christian family. Becoming a soldier of the Roman Army in a short period he deserves the honor of becoming Captain thanks to his courage and devotion. During the council convened by the Roman Emperor Dioklethianos he opposes to his plans on Christians' execution, and thus the fact that he is Christian, is revealed. The King, becoming surprised and astonished, orders to imprison the Captain and subjects him to severe torments. Many people, among them the Queen Alexandria, become Christians thanks to the preaching of St. George. A magician is ordered to prepare two kinds of remedies for trying the saint and changing his faith. By the first cup the saint should change his mind, and drinking the second cup, he should die. St. Gevorg drinks both cups, but thanks to the power of his faith towards God he remains alive. He also raises a man from the dead.

After the King's repeated requests St. Gevorg finally agrees to offer sacrifice to the idols. However, reaching the heathen church he breaks all idols one by one. For this act the King orders to behead St. Gevorg and he is martyred in about 303 A. D.

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. JAMES

**In addition to Sunday Morning Service and Dive Liturgy there will be
Saturday Evening Service- *Kirakamtits* (5:00 PM)**

*Every first Saturday of the month
(Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7)*

Midday Service every third Thursday of the month

Midday Hour (12:00 Noon)

*Every third Thursday of the month
(Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 20)*

Midday Service will be followed by the "Lunchtime at St. James" program.

NEW EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR TEENAGERS AT ST. JAMES

The St. James Christian Education Committee would like to invite teenage parishioners between the ages of 13-19 to participate in a pilot educational program this fall.

The program is a two-session seminar on **September 28 and October 19 from 9:30AM-1:30PM** on *Morality and Moral Choice* and *Mercy and Forgiveness*. The seminar will be led by Parish Council member Gevik Anbarchian, a high school English teacher, and Der Hovhan.

The focus of the program is to fuse Christian teaching with academics, including Armenian writers and artists, in an effort to help impressionable youth critically examine their lives at a time when they are most unsure about religious and philosophical matters. Look for a formal invitation in your home mailbox.

SAVE THE DATE!!! ACYOA JR. GATHERING AND LOCK-IN



Saturday, October 26 – Sunday, Octo

Jennifer Morris (Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries of the Diocese) will join us for a weekend of prayer, learning and fun.

ST. JAMES SCHOOL OF COOKING

Do you have a favorite Armenian dish that reminds you of Grandma or your mother? Do you wish you could make them? Well stop wishing and come join our classes and learn how to make them yourself and treat your family to your favorite dishes. It is your turn to make memories! Come join us!

- When: Classes will meet on Saturday once a month.
**September 28, 2013, October 12, 2013, November 2, 2013
December 7, 2013, January 4, 2014, February 2, 2014**
- Time: 10:30 Am – 1:30 PM
- Where: St. James Armenian Church
816 Clark Street, Evanston, IL.
*For more information call Kary Valenziano 847-687-2526 (cell)
or e-mail kvalen51@gmail.com.*

LIVING THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST; Who Do Say I Am?

A Six-Sessions Bible Study



This year's Diocesan theme is **Living the Gospel of Christ**. The ultimate goal of this series lies in knowing, understanding and doing as Christ prescribed through His actions and teachings as depicted in the Gospels. This series will also help us to understand both who Christ is and what was His Message.

As always you can either join Der Hayr at St. James or participate online on the following Wednesdays:

Sep. 25, Oct. 9, Nov. 6, Nov. 20, and Dec. 4 at 8:00 PM.

PARKING ON SUNDAYS

Parking is FREE on Saturdays and Sundays at the large condominium building at Clark & Benson (Quartet Copies).
Enter the garage from Benson Street.

ALTAR GUILD'S WISH LIST

1. Four candle followers for two side altars. \$15-60 each, not pledged.
2. Two banners. Pledged.
3. Two *jajanch* radiance (ostensorium, monstrance). \$300-600 each, not pledged.
4. Painting for the main altar. \$5,400, pledged.
5. Painting of the St. Gregory the Illuminator for the left altar. Pledged.
6. Painting of St. James of Nisibis. Not pledged.
7. Curtain for the vestry and choir rooms. Donated.
8. Priest's 'half-vestments'. \$500 - not pledged.
9. Set of a Chalice Veil and a Sadarium (linen-holder) for the Gospel book. \$150 - not pledged.
10. Twelve children's albs- *shabeeg*. \$100 each, not pledged.
11. Large silver Hand-cross. Pledged.

PARISH COUNCIL'S WISH LIST

1. Microphone for the pastor. \$800 - not pledged.
2. Security cameras. Not pledged.
3. TV and/or projector with screen for the Nishan hall. \$7,000 - not pledged.
4. Sound system for the Nishan hall. \$1,000 - not pledged.
5. Maintenance on supports in basement. \$2,000 - not pledged.
6. Alley wall repairs. \$41,000 - not pledged.
7. Windows for the Nishan hall. \$15,000 - not pledged.
8. Front doors. \$35,000 - not pledged.

SUNDAY SCHOOL'S WISH LIST

1. Cabinet for storage of books and supplies. Not pledged.
2. Room furniture for students and teachers. Not pledged.



ONNIK DINKJIAN LIVE IN CHICAGO!

Saturday, October 19, 2013 - 7:30 PM

Assyrian Community Center

9131 Niles Center Road, Skokie, IL

Celebrate Pavev Monthly's 18th year anniversary with Onnik Dinkjian, John Berberian, Ara Dinkjian, Mal Barsamian, and Jason Naroian LIVE in concert!

General Admission: \$35*

Age 6-15 Admission: \$15*

**Admission tickets do not include dinner. Dinner sold separately.*

For tickets call: (847) 965- 4537 or email: pavevmonthly@comcast.net

A CONFERENCE OF BISHOPS AT HOLY ETCHMIADZIN, SEPTEMBER 24-27

A conference of bishops of the worldwide Armenian Church will convene at Holy Etchmiadzin, from September 24 to 27.

All of the bishops of the Armenian Apostolic Church, including those belonging to the Great House of Cilicia, will participate in this first-of-its-kind gathering, which will go forward with the blessing and presence of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, and His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia.

The purpose of the conference will be to discuss the most important issues and challenges facing our church and the Armenian people today. From The Eastern Diocese, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian and Archbishop Vicken Aykazian will be taking part in the proceedings.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. JAMES

September 25	Bible Study
September 28	School of Cooking
September 28	Saturday Educational Program for Teenagers
September 29	College Students Welcome Sunday
October 5	Saturday Evening Service- <i>Kirakamtits (5:00 PM)</i>
October 9	Bible Study
October 12	School of Cooking
October 17	Midday Hour at <i>(12:00 Noon)</i>
October 19	Saturday Educational Program for Teenagers
October 23	Bible Study
October 26-27	ACYOA Jr. "Lock-In"
November 2	School of Cooking
November 2	Saturday Evening Service- <i>Kirakamtits (5:00 PM)</i>
November 6	Bible Study
November 10	Instructed Liturgy
November 20	Bible Study
November 21	Midday Hour at <i>(12:00 Noon)</i>
November 28	Thanksgiving gathering at St. James
December 4	Bible Study
December 7	School of Cooking
December 7	Saturday Evening Service- <i>Kirakamtits (5:00 PM)</i>
December 14	Divine Liturgy- Feast of St. James of Nisibis (Saturday)
December 20	Midday Hour at <i>(12:00 Noon)</i>



The HOLY BIBLE Armenian Church Edition is now in the church pews.
If you would like to purchase your personal copy,
please contact the Church office.

SCRIPTURE READING

Մարկոս 10:1-12

1 Կանգնելով՝ անկէ գնաց Հրեաստանի հողամասը, Յորդանանի միւս եզերքէն: Դարձեալ բազմութիւնները անոր շուրջ կը համախմբուէին, եւ ինչպէս սովորութիւն ունէր՝ դարձեալ կը սորվեցնէր անոնց: 2 Փարիսեցիները եկան անոր քով ու հարցուցին՝ փորձելու համար զայն. “Արտօնուած է մարդու մը՝ որ արձակէ իր կինը”: 3 Ան ալ պատասխանեց անոնց. “Մովսէս ինչ պատուիրեց ձեզի: 4 Անոնք ըսին. “Մովսէս արտօնեց ամուսնալուծումի վկայագիր մը գրել եւ արձակել”։ 5 Յիսուս պատասխանեց անոնց. “Չէր սիրտին կարծրութեամբ՝ համար գրեց ձեզի այդ պատուիրը. 6 Բայց արարչութեան սկիզբէն՝ Աստուած զանոնք արու եւ էգ ստեղծեց: 7 “Այս պատճառով մարդը պիտի թողու հայրն ու մայրը, եւ պիտի յարի իր կնոջ, 8 ու երկուքը պիտի ըլլան մէկ մարմին”: Ուստի ա՛յլ երկու չեն, հապա՛ մէկ մարմին. 9 ուրեմն մարդը թող չգատէ ինչ որ Աստուած իրարու միացուցած է”: 10 Տունը՝ իր աշակերտները դարձեալ նոյն բանը հարցուցին իրեն: 11 Ըսաւ անոնց. “Ո՛վ որ արձակէ իր կինը եւ ամուսնանայ ուրիշի մը հետ՝ շնութիւն կընէ անոր դէմ: 12 Ու եթէ կին մը արձակէ իր ամուսինը եւ ամուսնանայ ուրիշի մը հետ՝ շնութիւն կընէ”:

Mark 10:1-12

1 Jesus then left that place and went into the region of Judea and across the Jordan. Again crowds of people came to him, and as was his custom, he taught them. 2 Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” 3 “What did Moses command you?” he replied. 4 They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

5 “It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied. 6 “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ 7 ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, 8 and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one. 9 Therefore what God has joined together let man not separate.” 10 When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. 11 He answered, “Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. 12 And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.”

