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6th Sunday after the Feast of the Holy Cross

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Armenian Historical Year 4513 (ՏԺԳ)-Armenian Calendrical Year 1470 (ՌՆՀ)

Morning Service	9:00 AM
Holy Badarak	10:00 AM
Bible Readings	Isaiah 20:2-21:6, Galatians 4:3-18, Luke 4:14-23

ԿԻՐԱԿԻ, ՀՈԿՏԵՄԲԵՐ 11, 2020

Առաւօտեան ժամ	9:00
Սուրբ Պատարագ	10:00
Ընթերցումներ	Եսայի 20:2-21:6; Գաղատացիներ 4:3-18 Ղուկաս 4:14-23

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Alexander Adajian	Michael Green	Dn. Hagop Papazian
Saro Anbarchian	Nargez Hamayak	Nanci Perkhaus
Andre, Servant of God	Fred Harburg	Sofia Petrosyan
Naringul Caliscan	Leo Harootyan	Antony Puckett
Carolyn Conger	Robert Lapointe	Virgie Jandegian Saskowski
Veronica Dadourian	Մելինա Լօլօլան	Surpik Simon
Sam Davidson	Pat McCoy	Vigen Ter-Avakian
Seda Dilanjian	Cassandra Mitchell	Milan Thakkar
Linda Farsakian Wall	Varvara Movsesyan	Terre Tuzzolino
Rick Gergerian	Joy Nazarian	Kary Valenziano
Vartges Goorji	Shirley Omartian	Carla Ziegler
Hoyle Green		

If you know of anyone that needs our special prayers, please call the church office (847) 864-6263 or Der Hovhan (847) 644-7389 so that their names can be included on this list or if a name should be removed.

FASTING FOR HOLY COMMUNION

The Holy Communion is one of the important sacraments for the salvation of Christians and for the nourishment of our souls. Holy Communion is a sacrament by which the believer receives Christ's Body and Blood in the form of bread and wine for remission of sins and the reception of eternal life. It is offered to the faithful during the celebration of Badarak. For person in good health, it is necessary to fast, abstain from food and participate in the sacrament of Confession before receiving Holy Communion. For those of ill health who are on special medication, a light breakfast is permitted. Fir the evening Badarak, fasting should begin after the midday meal and continue until the evening Badarak has been celebrated.



MAS

MAS (Antidoron) is very thin unleavened bread of wheat, of any reasonable size making it possible to be baked on a metal tray. It can be made by any member of the congregation. It is distributed after the Liturgy to those of the congregation who have not received communion. It is customary to take mas to the members of one's family and to friends, who have been unable to attend the Liturgy. *Mas* symbolizes the bond of love among the members of the church.

Mas, meaning "a portion", represents the remaining part of the loaf which the faithful used to bring to Church in ancient times to be used as bread for the Eucharist. A fraction (*nshkhar*) of this loaf was taken to consecration, while the remainder was distributed among the congregation at the end of the Liturgy.

*Tiran Abp. Nersoyan,
"Divine Liturgy of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church"*

FEASTS AND FASTS

FEAST OF STS. CAPTAIN LUKIANOS, WHO BELIEVED IN CHRIST'S CRUCIFIXION, JOSEPH THE GODFATHER, JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA AND FRIENDS OF CHRIST - LAZARUS AND HIS TWO SISTERS MARTHA AND MARY

According to tradition, **Captain Lukianos** (Longinus the Centurion), a Roman soldier from Cappadocia, witnessed the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ and the wonders that occurred after our Lord's death. Captain Lukianos believed in Christ's doctrine and converted to Christianity. Witnessing the Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, he refused to bear false testimony and say that the Lord's disciples had stolen His Body. He was then beheaded by Pontius Pilate.

Joseph the Godfather, is a descendant of David. He was the earthly father of Jesus Christ and the husband of St. Mary. The Evangelist St. Mathew characterized him as "a man who always did what was right" (Matthew 1:19). When Joseph found out that Mary, to whom he was engaged, was going to have a baby, he privately made plans to break the engagement. While he was thinking about this, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him to take Mary as his wife and that they would have a baby through the Holy Spirit. The angel also told Joseph to name the baby Jesus because he would save His people from their sins. Understanding the importance of the mission entrusted to him by God, Joseph protected Mary and took care of her. When Jesus was born and the time came, Joseph performed the ceremony of purification as the Law of Moses commanded, and took the forty-day-old child to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. And when a threat to the life of baby Jesus arose, Joseph took the child and His mother and escaped to Egypt and only after some time returned with them to Nazareth. St Joseph distinguished himself with his unshaken faith in God. He always tried to honor the Divine Commandments.

St. Joseph of Arimathea was one of the secret disciples of Jesus Christ. He was a rich, honest, pious and fair man waiting for the Kingdom of God. Learning of Our Lord's death on the cross, he daringly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Christ in order to properly bury Him. It is supposed that his tomb is near the tomb of Jesus Christ in Jerusalem in a small chapel belonging to the Armenian Patriarchate of Jerusalem.

Lazarus, Martha and Mary lived in the period of the earthly life of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the village of Bethany not far from Jerusalem. Christ had a special feeling of love towards them, and when visiting Jerusalem He stopped at their house. Christ raised Lazarus from the dead, thus making his sisters happy. Martha, the elder sister, was active and hardworking, and Mary, the younger sister, was a very pious woman. After the resurrection of Lazarus, Mary poured perfume on Our Lord's feet and wiped them with her hair. According to tradition, they went to Cyprus and lived there until their deaths.

FEASTS AND FASTS

- October 19** Feast of Sts. Captain Lukianos, who believed in Christ's Crucifixion, Joseph - the Godfather, Joseph of Arimathea, and Friends of Christ – Lazarus and his two sisters – Martha and Mary
- October 20** Feast of the Priest St Theoditon, Sts. Soldiers Zenon, Makar, Eudoxios and Ramelas
- October 21** Fast Day
- October 22** Commemoration of St. Aret and His Companions, Holy Martyrs Artemeos, Sts. Christopher and the Two Women – Kalinike and Akyouline
- October 23** Fast Day
- October 24** Commemoration of the Twelve Archimandrites – Sts. Retheos, Dionisios, Selbestros, Athanas, Cyril of Jerusalem, Ephrem Khourie Assyrian, Vasil (Barsegh) of Caesarea, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory the Theologian, Epiphan of Cyprus, John Chrysostom and Cyril of Alexandria

NAME DAY CELEBRATIONS

Whenever you know a friend or loved one whose Name Day/Feast Day is soon to be celebrated, honor the person by presenting them with a lit candle saying, "*Anoonovut abrees*" or "*Anoonovut dzeranas*" ("May you grow old with your name"). Or you can simply say, "Happy Name Day!"

NAME DAY celebrated this week: *Lukianos, Joseph, Lazarus, Martha, Mar (October 19), Zenon, Makar (October 20), Aret, Artem, Christopher (October 22), Athanas, Cyril, Ephrem, Vasil, Barsegh, Gregory, Epiphan and John (October 24).*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Եսայու մարգարեությունը 20:2-21:6

2 ահա այդ ժամանակ Տերը խօսեց Ամոսի որդի Եսայու հետ եւ ասաց. «Գնա՛ որ քուրձդ հանի՛ր քո մէջքից եւ հողաթափերդ արձակի՛ր քո ոտքերից»: Այդպէս էլ արեց՝ քայլելով մերկ ու բոկոտն: 3 Եւ Տէրն ասաց. «Ինչպէս որ իմ ծառայ Եսային քայլեց մերկ ու բոկոտն, այդպէս երեք տարի եգիպտացիների եւ եթովպացիների համար հրաշքներ ու նշաններ պիտի լինեն: 4 Թող հասկանան, որ այդպէս Ասորեստանի արքան գերի է տանելու եգիպտացիներին ու եթովպացիներին, երիտասարդներին ու ծերերին՝ մերկ ու ամօթոյքը բաց, խայտառակելով եգիպտացիներին: 5 Եւ պարտութեան մատնուած եգիպտացիները պիտի ամաչեն եթովպացիների պատճառով, որոնց վրայ յոյս էին դրել, եւ որոնք նրանց համար գորութիւն էին»: 6 Ապա այն օրը այդ կղզու բնակիչները պիտի ասեն. «Ահաւասիկ մենք մեր յոյսը դրել էինք սրանց վրայ, ապաւինել սրանց օգնութեանը, բայց սրանք իրենց անձն անգամ չկարողացան փրկել Ասորեստանի արքայից, իսկ մենք ինչպէ՛ս պիտի փրկուենք»:

21 1 Տեսիլք ծովափնեայ անապատի վրայ: Ինչպէս անապատով անցնող մրրիկ, այդպէս նա եկաւ անապատային երկրից: 2 Ահաւոր էր եւ սարսափելի այն տեսիլքը, որ երեւաց ինձ: Անարգոյն անարգում է, անիրաւը՝ անիրաւութիւն գործում: Ինձ վրայ յարձակուեցին էլամացիք, ինձ վրայ եկան պարսից պատգամաւորները: Հեծեծում եմ ու ինքս ինձ քաջալերում: 3 Ահա թէ ինչու մէջս սարսուռ ընկաւ, ցաւերը բռնեցին ինձ, ինչպէս ծննդկան կնոջը: Փախայ, որպէսզի չսեմ, շտապեցի, որպէսզի չտեսնեմ: 4 Միտքս շուարեց, յանցանքի զգացումը պատեց ինձ, մարմինս դող ընկաւ: Նայի՛ր, թէ ինչ դիտաւորութիւն ունես. 5 սեղա՛ն պատրաստիր, կէ՛ր, խմի՛ր: Եկէ՛ք, իշխաններ, պատրաստեցէ՛ք ձեր վահանները, 6 քանզի այսպէս ասաց ինձ Տերը. «Ինքդ անձամբ գնա՛, դէ՛տ եղիր, ինչ որ տեսնես, կպատմես»:

ԳԱՂԱՏԱՑԻՆԵՐԻՆ 4:3-18

3Նոյնպէս այ մենք, երբ մանուկ էինք, աշխարհի սկզբունքներուն տակ ստրուկ էինք: 4Բայց երբ ժամանակը լրումին հասաւ, Աստուած որկեց իր Որդին՝ որ կնոջմէ ծնաւ եւ Օրէնքին տակ մտաւ, 5որպէսզի փրկանքով գնէ Օրէնքին տակ եղողները. որպէսզի մենք որդեգրութիւնը ստանանք: 6Եւ քանի որ դուք որդիներ էք, Աստուած ձեր սիրտերուն մէջ որկեց իր Որդիին Հոգին, որ կ'աղաղակէ. «Աբբա՛, Հա՛յր»: 7Հետեւաբար ա՛յ ստրուկ չես, հապա՛ որդի. ու եթէ որդի, ուրեմն՝ Աստուծոյ ժառանգորդը Քրիստոսի միջոցով:

8Ուրեմն այն ատեն երբ չէիք ճանչնար Աստուած, կը ծառայէիք անոնց՝ որ բնութեամբ աստուածներ չէին: 9Սակայն հիմա որ ճանչցաք Աստուած, կամ մա՛նաւանդ՝ ճանչցուեցաք Աստուծմէ, ի՛նչպէս կը վերադառնաք այն տկար եւ աղքատսկզբունքներուն, որոնց դարձեալ կ'ուզէք ստրուկ ըլլալ: 10Կը

պահէք օրերը, ամիսները, ժամանակներն ու տարիները. **11** կը վախնամ ձեզի համար, որ գուցէ զուր տեղը աշխատած ըլլամ ձեր վրայ:

12 Եղբայրներ, կ'աղերսեմ ձեզի, ինծի՛ պէս եղէք, որովհետեւ ես ալ ձեզի պէս եղայ. դուք բնա՛ւ վնասած չէք ինծի: **13** Դուք գիտէք թէ ի՛նչպէ՛ս մարմինիս տկարութեամբ՝ աւետարանեցի ձեզի առաջին անգամ. **14** բայց մարմինիս վրայ կրած փորձութիւնս չանարգեցիք, ո՛չ ալ պժգացիք. հապա Աստուծոյ հրեշտակի մը պէս ընդունեցիք զիս, Քրիստոս Յիսուսի պէս: **15** Ուստի ո՛ր է՝ ձեր այդ աստենուան երանութիւնը. քանի որ ես կը վկայեմ ձեզի թէ եթէ կարելի ըլլար՝ ձեր աչքերը պիտի խլէիք եւ զանոնք ինծի տալիք: **16** Սիրո՞ւ ձեր թշնամի՞ն եղայ՝ ձեզի ճշմարտութիւնը խօսելով: **17** Անոնք նախանձախնդիր են ձեզի հանդէպ, բայց ո՛չ բարի նպատակով. նոյնիսկ կ'ուզեն մեզ վտարել, որպէսզի նախանձախնդիր ըլլաք իրե՛նց հանդէպ: **18** Սակայն լաւ է նախանձախնդիր ըլլալ բարիին հանդէպ՝ ամէ՛ն ատեն, եւ ո՛չ թէ միայն երբ ձեր մէջ ներկայ են:

ՂՈՒԿԱՍ 4:14-23

Յիսուս Հոգիին զօրութեամբ վերադարձաւ Քալիլեա, եւ անոր համբաւը տարածուեցաւ այդ գաւառին ամբողջ շրջակայքը: **15** Ինք կը սորվեցնէր անոնց ժողովարաններուն մէջ, ու կը փառաւորուէր բոլորէն: **16** Երբ եկաւ Նազարէթ, ուր ինք մեծցած էր, իր սովորութեան համաձայն Ծաբաթ օրը մտաւ ժողովարանը, ու կանգնեցաւ որ կարդայ: **17** Տունին անոր Եսայի մարգարէին գիրքը: Երբ բացաւ գիրքը, գտաւ այն տեղը՝ ուր գրուած էր. **18** «Տէրոջ Հոգին իմ վրաս է. որովհետեւ օծեց զիս աղքատներուն աւետարանելու, որկեց զիս կոտրած սիրտ ունեցողները բժշկելու, **19** գերիներուն՝ ազատ արձակում եւ կոյրերուն տեսողութիւն յայտարարելու, հարստահարութիւն կրողները ազատ արձակելու, Տէրոջ բարեհաճութեան տարին յայտարարելու»: **20** Յետոյ զոցեց գիրքը, տուաւ սպասաւորին, ու նստաւ: Բոլոր ժողովարանը եղողները իրենց աչքերը սեւեռած էին անոր վրայ: **21** Ուստի սկսաւ ըսել անոնց. «Այսօր այս գրուածը իրագործուեցաւ, ու ձեր ականջները լսեցին»: **22** Բոլորը կը վկայէին անոր մասին, կը զարմանային անոր բերանէն ելած շնորհալի խօսքերուն վրայ, եւ կ'ըսէին. «Ասիկա Յովսէփի որդին չէ՞»: **23** Ինք ալ ըսաւ անոնց. «Իրաւ դուք ինծի պիտի ըսէք սա՛ առածը. “Բժիշկ, դուն քեզ բուժէ: Ո՛րչափ բաներ լսեցինք՝ որ Կափառնայումի մէջ կատարուեցան. հո՛ս ալ ըրէ՛ քո՛ւ բնագաւառիդ մէջ”»:

Isaiah 20:2-21:6

2 At the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. 3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia; 4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt. 5 And they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory. 6 And the

inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold, such is our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

21 1 The burden of the desert of the sea. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; so it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land. 2 A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease. 3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it; I was dismayed at the seeing of it. 4 My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of my pleasure hath he turned into fear unto me. 5 Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, and anoint the shield. 6 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.

Galatians 4:3-18

So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. **4**But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, **5**so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. **6**Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" **7**Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

8However at that time, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those which by nature are no gods. **9**But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how is it that you turn back again to the weak and worthless elemental things, to which you desire to be enslaved all over again? **10**You observe days and months and seasons and years. **11**I fear for you, that perhaps I have labored over you in vain.

12I beg of you, brethren, become as I *am*, for I also *have become* as you *are*. You have done me no wrong; **13**but you know that it was because of a bodily illness that I preached the gospel to you the first time; **14**and that which was a trial to you in my bodily condition you did not despise or loathe, but you received me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus *Himself*. **15**Where then is that sense of blessing you had? For I bear you witness that, if possible, you would have plucked out your eyes and given them to me. **16**So have I become your enemy by telling you the truth? **17**They eagerly seek you, not commendably, but they wish to shut you out so that you will seek them. **18**But it is good always to be eagerly sought in a commendable manner, and not only when I am present with you.

LUKE 4:14-23

14And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. **15**And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. **16**And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. **17**And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was

given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, **18**“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, **19**to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.” **20**And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. **21**And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” **22**And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph's son?” **23**And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself.’ What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.”

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

- Monday:** Jeremiah 33:14-22; Isaiah 18:7; Hebrews 10:32-36;
Luke 10:21-24
- Tuesday:** Zechariah 8:1-3; Acts 9:1-22; Luke 9:1-6
- Wednesday:** Galatians 2:11-20; Mark 13:14-23
- Thursday:** Isaiah 33:2-6; Acts 17:16-34; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12;
Luke 10:1-7
- Friday:** Galatians 2:20-3:12; Mark 13:24-37
- Saturday:** Wisdom 9:13-10:2; Ezekiel 1:3-11; Zechariah 6:1-8;
Ephesians 4:7-13; Luke 6:13-19

BADARAK PEW BOOKS

Dear Parishioners, as a precasionary measure we have collected the pew books that were previously used to follow Badarak. We are happy to inform you that the electronic version of the book is avaiailable in the KIRAKI-ԿԻՐԱԿԻ mobile app. The app is avaiailable for both Apple and Android devices.

Click here to download from
Google Play store



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FROM FR. HOVHAN

REGARDING HOME VISITATIONS

It is the fifth month of our “new reality” when out of love for one other we do not come together in large groups to celebrate Badarak, worship during the week, celebrate important milestones and achievements in our lives or simply enjoy each other's presence in the daily communion of love. For clergy, visiting congregants is the fulfillment of our commitment to serve God's people, and it is with a heavy heart that I continue to avoid contact with you, including comforting the sick in hospitals or at home. And although in early July we restored church services and sacraments for in-person participation following proper COVID protocols, we continue to livestream the majority of our worship services since many of you continue to avoid public spaces.

I cannot tell you how much it sorrows me that my contact with you remains limited to phone calls, but I would like to offer two ways we can reconnect in person:

1. As long as it continues to be warm, I would love to stop by and spend a few minutes with you outside--on your sidewalk, in your backyard, on your porch. We can even take a walk in the park! Of course, we will wear masks and socially distance.
2. I can also visit you virtually via Zoom, Facebook or other means of teleconference.

If either of these two ways work for you and your family, please call or email me and we can work out the details.

REGARDING HOME BLESSINGS

In the spirit of the tradition of the Blessing of the Grapes and given the fact that I cannot perform a traditional home blessing, I would love to perform the Blessing of the Gardens (or vineyards if you have one) at your homes. Please contact me to schedule a visit.

PRAYER TIME IN THE SANCTUARY AND COUNSELING

It is now possible to come to church to pray outside of scheduled service times. I am available to meet at the church for spiritual counseling or other needs during the week.

Please contact me to make arrangement for personal prayer time in the sanctuary or to schedule a meeting

ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL
Academic Year 2020-2021

EVERY SUNDAY

All ages are welcome!

*Classes will be offered via zoom and outdoors.
More details will be announced soon*

ST. JAMES YOUTH MEETING

Every 1st Sunday of the Month 2 PM (November 1st)

via ZOOM

Meeting ID: 938 614 7474

ST. JAMES YOUTH GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday at 8 PM

Via Zoom

Meeting ID: 938 614 7474

Questions? Want to participate?

Contact Youth Director Ms. Irina Petrosyan at (630) 843-1304

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DOWNLOAD ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH APP *DESEELK*

DESEELK connects users to a variety of helpful resources: details about upcoming events, the latest posts on St. James' Facebook page, photo galleries and other relevant content. You can share the link to the app via Twitter, Facebook or email.

DESEELK is the quickest, simplest and most convenient way to stay current with the goings on at St. James. Download the app today!!!

St. James official mobile app, *DESEELK*, is now available for both Adroid and Apple users.

Android users can download the app from Google Play store.

Apple users scan the code below.



Contact church office if you have any questions or need assistance.

STEEPLE REPAIR PROJECT

Dear Parishioners,

Our spiritual home is in dire need of your help. St. James has stood watch over the Armenian Community since 1944. The building has stood as a testament to God since 1896 and has deteriorated to the point that urgent repairs are required. The brick facade of the steeple is separating from the wall; the mortar has crumbled and the windows are leaking into the vestibule of the hurch. Significant work is required to restore the structural integrity of the front of the building within and under the steeple.

These repairs need to be under way as soon as possible. Our community has always been protected by the shadow of the Holy Church. This is OUR opportunity to meet the church in her moment of need as she has been there for every one of our life events.

You can donate toward this project by any of these methods:

- 1) Check, via the envelope mailed to your home
- 2) Cash, in person at the church any Sunday
- 3) Via our website www.stjamesevanston.org
- 4) Via Paypal www.paypal.me/stjamesvirtualfest20

STAINED GLASS WINDOW RESTORATION PROJECT

St. James Armenian Church is in the process of restoring all the stained glass windows due to various issues; including individual stained glass pieces falling out, rotted exterior window wood, and glass pieces that are broken or were previously replaced with mismatched pieces. These windows are original to the church.

The Parish Council and Building Committee chose Arttig, LTD to be the contractor for this project. Arttig, LTD has completed other projects in the Armenian community including designing and constructing church stained glass windows and wood carved front doors.

We encourage as many parishioners as possible to participate, at any level your family wishes, so that you, your family and the entire parish can share in the legacy of this historic project.

We welcome as many families and parishioners as possible to donate towards two altar windows, which have the highest restoration costs. Each parishioner or family donating towards the altar windows will be recognized on a large group plaque. The designations for the donor levels are: Cherub (\$1,000 to \$3,999); Archangel (\$500 to \$999); Angel (\$1 to \$499).

We thank all of those that have donated and we thank you in advance for your future donations. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (847) 864-6263.

MEMBERSHIP

Many parishioners have told us that they would appreciate reminders about membership dues. So, this is our first reminder of the year! Please take a look at your checkbook or other records. If you have not yet submitted your membership dues for 2020, now is a great time to send in your 2020 St. James membership dues. Annual membership dues are \$125 per person; \$100 per person over 65; \$30 for students.

There are two easy ways to submit your membership dues. The first way is by check, made out to St. James Armenian Church.

It's also easy to send your membership dues or steeple contribution via St. James website www.stjamesevanston.org

Thank you for helping our church to keep its memberships rolls up to date!

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please consider donating flowers to adorn the Holy Altar. You may either bring flowers or make a monetary donation towards the purchase.

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St. James Church is committed to Creation care. Please recycle this bulletin by taking it with you and use the information throughout the week or leave it at the back of the sanctuary. You can also deposit it in the recycling receptacle in the Nishan Hall as you leave. **Thank you!**

Writing above altar:

"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8)