# St. James Armenian Apostolic Church (Evanston, IL)



# PALM SUNDAY March 29, 2015

### **DIVINE LITURGY**

Celebrated by

# Very Reverend Father Daniel Findikyan

Morning Service - 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy - 10:00 AM Opening of the Doors



#### PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON

hosted by St. James Armenian Church Sunday School

#### **LECTURE**

"New Saints for the Armenian Church: Our Genocide Martyrs"

## by Very Reverend Father Daniel Findikyan

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## VERY REVEREND FATHER DANIEL FINDIKYAN



A native of Fort Worth, TX, the Very Rev. Fr. Daniel Findikyan is a graduate of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in New Rochelle, NY. While studying at the Seminary, Fr. Daniel earned a master's degree in musicology at City University of New York.

After a year sojourn in Armenia, he studied for five years in Italy. In 1997, he received a doctorate degree in liturgy from the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome, a renowned institute dedicated to the study of the history, theology, liturgy, and spirituality of the Greek, Russian, Armenian, Syrian, Coptic, and other ancient Eastern churches. Fr. Daniel's doctoral thesis dealt with the history of the daily services of the Armenian Church, comparing them with the liturgical traditions of other Eastern churches.

He has published numerous articles in scholarly journals, and served as the general editor of the *Divine Liturgy* pew book published in 1999, which is used throughout the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America.

Fr. Daniel is a member of several scholarly and ecumenical associations. Ordained a celibate priest by Archbishop Khajag Barsamian in 1997, Fr. Daniel served as dean of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary until 2012. He has also served as a visiting pastor of the St. Sarkis Church of Charlotte, NC.

In November 2012, he was appointed director of the Diocese's Krikor and Clara Zohrab Information Center. He is also a visiting professor of liturgy at the University of Notre Dame and at the Pontifical Oriental Institute, Rome.



The **Krikor and Clara Zohrab Information Center** is a resource and research facility housed at the Diocesan Center in New York. The center is open during regular business hours. Scholars, researchers, and the general public are encouraged to write, phone, e-mail, or visit the center for information and material related to Armenia, its history, current events, and people. The center's catalog can be accessed online at <a href="https://www.zohrabcentercatalog.com">www.zohrabcentercatalog.com</a>. It's blog can be found at <a href="https://www.zohrabcenter.org">www.zohrabcenter.org</a>.

The holdings of the center include extensive information on the Armenian Church, Armenian history, and Armenian politics and culture. The collection includes thousands of books, videos, maps, pictures, and other resources to help researchers, academics, teachers, and the society-at-large learn about the Armenian community and its rich history.

"It is with great love for my parents, Krikor and Clara Zohrab, and pride in our Armenian background, that I see this fine center come into being. As the focal point for the information of our culture and history, it is my fervent wish that it will be fully utilized by all who are interested in Armenia and Armenians. In particular, I hope that it will become a vital center of learning for our young people—for they are the future guarantors of our great Armenian heritage." (Dolores Zohrab Liebmann)

For information on the Zohrab Center, contact its director, the Very Rev. Fr. Daniel Findikyan, at (212) 686-0710.