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ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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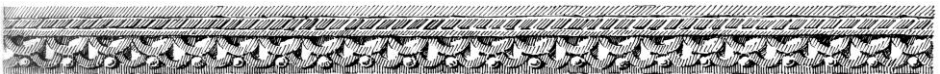
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Sunday of the World Church - Green Sunday



Morning Service	9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy	10:00 AM
Bible Readings	Acts 9:23-31; 1 Peter 2:1-10; John 2:23-3:12

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Արաւօտեան Ժամ	9:00AM
Սուրբ Պատարագ	10:00AM
Ընթերցումներ	Գործք 9:23-31; Ա Պետրոս 2:1-10; Յովհաննէս 2:23-3:12

ՀՈԳԵՀԱՆԳԻՍ – HOKEHANKISD - REQUIEM SERVICE**For the Souls of:**

Catholicos Karekin Hovsepian
 Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan
 Very Reverend Father Varoujan Kabarajian
 Reverend Father Vartan Megherian
 Dn. Nishan and Angel Cherkezhian
 Dn. Krikor and Angel Gosgarian
 Dn. George Guldalian

**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	Araxie Hardy	Antony Puckett
Carolyn Conger	Dn. Garabed Hardy	Virgie Jandegian Saskowski
Veronica Dadourian	Leo Harootyan	Surpik Simon
Sam Davidson	Robert Lapointe	Vigen Ter-Avakian
Seda Dilanjian	Melina Loloyan	Milan Thakkar
Linda Farsakian Wall	Pat McCoy	Terre Tuzzolino
Rick Gergerian	Cassandra Mitchell	Kary Valenziano
Vartges Goorji	Varvara Movsesyan	Dina Youna
Hoyle Green	Joy Nazarian	Carla Ziegler

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. For 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"*

MERELOTZ – DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

It is a solemn tradition that on the day following the 5 major feast days of the Armenian Church, a day is observed in memory of those who have passed away, and are asleep in Jesus Christ. On this day, the faithful will visit the gravesides of their dearly departed, and the priest will offer requiem prayers for their souls. According to tradition, a special Divine Liturgy is also held on these days, when the faithful can remember the names of all of the faithful for whom we pray for eternal life. These Divine Liturgies are not typically celebrated in the Diaspora, because of people's work schedules, but the faithful are invited to offer the names of the faithful to be prayed for during the Divine Liturgy celebrated the following Sunday.

If you would like to observe this tradition on the Sunday following a major feast day, which includes Christmas, Easter, Feast of the Transfiguration, Assumption of the Holy Virgin Mary, and the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, please contact the Church Office or Der Hovhan..

FEASTS AND FASTS

SUNDAY OF THE WORLD - GREEN SUNDAY

The second Sunday following the Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Sunday of the World Church. It commemorates the first Church of Jerusalem established by Christ Himself.

On the first day of the Jewish festival of Passover, Jesus instructed two of the Apostles, Peter and John, to go into Jerusalem and meet a man who would direct them to a house where He and His Apostles could celebrate the Passover Feast. Peter and John were led to the “Upper Room” of the house where they made the necessary preparations for the meal. Later that evening, Christ and the Twelve Apostles sat together to eat supper.

Christ spoke to them and said, “I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God. And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves: For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.” And he took bread, and gave thanks, and broke it, and gave unto them, saying, “This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.” Likewise the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you” (Luke 22:15-20).

This “Last Supper” was the event where Jesus Christ established the Sacrament of Holy Communion, which we celebrate every Sunday during Divine Liturgy in Armenian Churches throughout the world. The Upper Room in Jerusalem is considered to be the first Church as founded by Christ.

The Sunday of the World Church is also called “Green” Sunday, which according to Archbishop Malachia Ormanian, is the popular name of the feast as it is linked to the re-awakening of nature in springtime.

INTROIT FOR EASTER AND EASTERTIDE

*Քրիստոս յարեաւ ի մեռելոց, մահուամբ ըզ մահ կոխեաց. եւ յարութեամբքն
հղով մեզ ըզկենսելու պարգեւեաց. Նրմա փառք յաւիտեանս. ամէն:*

*Kreesdos haryav ee merelotz, mahvamp uzmah gokhyats yev harootyampun
voorov mez uzgyanus barkevyats. Numa park haveedyans. Amen.*

Christ is risen from the dead! By his death he has trampled on death and by his resurrection he has granted us life. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

EASTERTIDE - SACRED PERIOD THAT FOLLOWS EASTER

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It is not one day, but forty, filled with joy and gladness, with Alleluias for the Risen Lord who is with us now. The faithful of the Armenian Church greet each other with ***Krisdos Haryav ee Merelotz - Christ is Risen from the Dead:*** and answer with ***Ohrnyal eh Haroutiunun Krisdosee - Blessed is the Resurrection of Christ.*** May these words coming from our lips also radiate in our hearts.

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REQUEM SERVICE IN THE ARMENIAN CHURCH

From "Frequently Asked Questions about the Armenian Church"

by Very Rev. Fr. Krikor Maksoudian

We believe that the faithful who are deceased are still the Lord's: *If we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and the living* (Rom 14: 8-9). The faithful who are dead are merely asleep in Christ. This concept, which is in St. Paul's epistles (1 Cor 15; 1 Thes 4 and 5) is one of the basic teachings of the Armenian Church, and the term 'asleep' in its past participial form [*nunchetsyal*] is used formally in reference to a deceased person. Like the faithful who are alive, the faithful who are deceased are a part of the corporate body of Christ and therefore of the Church. Those who are asleep in Christ and have reached the end of their earthly lives in the faith are referred to as the 'first born' or the Victorious Church.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

ԳՈՐԾՔ ԱՌԱՔԵԼՈՑ 9:23-31

Շատ օրեր անցնելէն ետք՝ Հրեաները խորհրդակցեցան որ սպաննեն զայն. 24բայց Սօդոսի յայտնուեցաւ անոնց դաւադրութիւնը: Յերեկ ու գիշեր կը հսկէին դռները, որպէսզի սպաննեն զայն: 25Իսկ աշակերտները գիշերուան մէջ առին զայն եւ պարիսպէն վար իջեցուցին՝ զամբիւղի մը մէջ:

26Երբ Սօդոս եկաւ Երուսաղէմ՝ կը ձգտէր միանալ աշակերտներուն. բայց բոլորն ալ կը վախնային իրմէ, չհաւատալով թէ ան աշակերտ էր: 27Բայց Բառնաբաս՝ առնելով զայն՝ տարաւ առաքեալներուն ու պատմեց անոնց թէ ի՛նչպէս ճամբան տեսաւ Տէրը՝ որ խօսեցաւ իրեն հետ, եւ թէ ի՛նչպէս համարձակութեամբ քարոզեց Յիսուսի անունով՝ Դամասկոսի մէջ: 28Ուստի կը մտնէր ու կ'ելլէր անոնց հետ Երուսաղէմի մէջ, համարձակութեամբ քարոզելով Տէր Յիսուսի անունով: 29Նաեւ կը խօսէր եւ կը վիճաբանէր Հելլենացիներուն հետ. անոնք ալ կը ձգտէին սպաննել զինք: 30Իսկ եղբայրները՝ ասիկա գիտնալով՝ զինք իջեցուցին Կեսարիա, եւ անկէ ճամբեցին Տարսոն:

31Ուրեմն եկեղեցիները խաղաղութիւն ունեցան ամբողջ Հրեաստանի, Գալիլեայի ու Սամարիայի մէջ, եւ կը շինուէին ու կը բազմանային՝ ընթանալով Տէրոջ վախով եւ Սուրբ Հոգիին մխիթարութեամբ:

1 ՊԵՏՐՈՍ 2:1-10

Ուրեմն, թօթափելով ամէն չարամտութիւն եւ ամէն նենգութիւն, կեղծաւորութիւնները, նախանձներն ու բոլոր բամբասանքները, 2նորածին երախաներու պէս տենչացէ՛ք Աստուծոյ խօսքին անխարդախ կաթին, որպէսզի աճիք անով (մինչեւ փրկութիւնը), 3եթէ համտեսած էք Տէրոջ քաղցր ըլլալը:

4Մօտեցէ՛ք անոր՝ ապրող քարին, որ արդարեւ մարդոցմէ մերժուած է, բայց Աստուծմէ ընտրուած ու պատուական է: 5Դ՛ո՛ւք ալ՝ ապրող քարերու պէս՝ կը շինուիք իբր հոգեւոր տաճար մը, սուրբ քահանայութիւն մը, որպէսզի մատուցանէք հոգեւոր զոհեր, Աստուծոյ ընդունելի՝ Յիսուս Քրիստոսի միջոցով:

6Որովհետեւ Գիրքին մէջ ալ կայ. «Ահա՛ Սիոնի մէջ կը դնեմ ծայրագոյն անկիւնաքար մը, ընտիր ու պատուական, եւ ո՛վ որ հաւատայ անոր՝ բնա՛ւ ամօթահար պիտի չլլայ»:

7Ուրեմն ձեզի՝ որ կը հաւատաք՝ պատուական է ան, իսկ անհնազանդներուն համար՝ «այն քարը՝ որ կառուցանողները մերժեցին, անիկա՛ եղաւ անկիւնաքարը,

ճու սայթաքումի քար եւ գայթակղութեան ժայռ» անոնց՝ որ խօսքին անհնազանդ ըլլալով կը գայթին, որուն համար ալ որոշուած էին: ԶԲայց դուք ընտրուած ցեղ մըն էք, թագաւորական քահանայութիւն մը, սուրբ ազգ մը, սեփական ժողովուրդ մը, որպէսզի հռչակէք առաքինութիւնները անո՛ր՝ որ կանչեց ձեզ խաւարէն իր սքանչելի լոյսին: 10Ժամանակին ժողովուրդ չէիք, բայց հիմա Աստուծոյ ժողովուրդն էք. առանց ողորմութեան էիք, բայց հիմա ողորմութիւն գտաք:

ՅՈՎՀԱՆՆԷՍ 2:23 – 3:12

23Երբ Զատիկի տօնին ատենը Երուսաղէմ էր, շատ մարդիկ հաւատացին անոր անունին՝ տեսնելով անոր ըրած նշանները: 24Բայց ինք՝ Յիսուս՝ չէր հաւատար անոնց, որովհետեւ կը ճանչնար ամէն մարդ. 25պէտք չունէր՝ որ մէկը ուրիշ մարդու մասին վկայէր իրեն, քանի որ ինք գիտէր թէ ի՞նչ կայ մարդուն մէջ:

3Փարիսեցիներէն մարդ մը կար՝ Նիկողեմոս անունով, որ Հրեաներու պետ մըն էր: 2Ասիկա գիշերուան մէջ եկաւ Յիսուսի քով եւ ըսաւ անոր. «Ռաբբի՛, գիտենք թէ դուն Աստուծմէ վարդապետ եկած ես. որովհետեւ մէկը չի կրնար ընել այն նշանները՝ որ դուն կ'ընես, եթէ Աստուած իրեն հետ չըլլայ»: 3Յիսուս պատասխանեց անոր. «Ճշմարտապէս, ճշմարտապէս կը յայտարարեմ քեզի. “Եթէ մէկը վերստին չծնի՝ չի կրնար տեսնել Աստուծոյ թագաւորութիւնը”»: 4Նիկողեմոս ըսաւ անոր. «Ի՞նչ-պէս կրնայ ծնիլ մարդ մը՝ որ ծերացած է: Կարելի՞ է, որ երկրորդ անգամ մտնէ իր մօր որովայնը եւ ծնի»: 5Յիսուս պատասխանեց. «Ճշմարտապէս, ճշմարտապէս կը յայտարարեմ քեզի. “Եթէ մէկը ջուրէն ու Հոգիէն չծնի՝ չի կրնար մտնել Աստուծոյ թագաւորութիւնը”»: 6Մարմինէն ծնածը՝ մարմին է, եւ Հոգիէն ծնածը՝ հոգի է: 7Դուն մի՛ գարմ-անար որ ըսի քեզի. “Դուք պէտք է վերստին ծնիք”: 8Հովը կը փչէ ո՛ւր որ ուզէ. կը լսես անոր ձայնը, բայց չես գիտեր ուրկէ՛ կու գայ, կամ ո՛ւր կ'երթայ: Ո՛վ որ Հոգիէն կը ծնի՝ ա՛յսպէս է»:

9Նիկողեմոս ըսաւ անոր. «Ի՞նչպէս կրնայ ըլլալ ատիկա»: 10Յիսուս պատասխանեց անոր. «Դուն Իսրայէլի մէջ վարդապետ մըն ես, ու չե՛ս գիտեր այս բաները: 11Ճշմարտապէս, ճշմարտապէս կը յայտարարեմ քեզի թէ ինչ որ գիտենք՝ կը խօսինք, եւ ինչ որ տեսանք՝ կը վկայենք, ու չէք ընդունիր մեր վկայութիւնը: 12Եթէ երկրային բաներու մասին խօսեցայ ձեզի եւ չէք հաւատար, ի՞նչպէս պիտի հաւատաք՝ եթէ երկնային բաներու մասին խօսիմ ձեզի:

Acts of Apostles 9:23-31

When many days had elapsed, the Jews plotted together to do away with him, 24but their plot became known to Saul. They were also watching the gates day and night so that they might put him to death; 25but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a large basket.

26When he came to Jerusalem, he was trying to associate with the disciples; but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. 27But Barnabas took hold of him and brought him to the apostles and described to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had talked to him, and how at Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. 28And he was with them, moving about freely in Jerusalem, speaking out boldly in the name of the Lord. 29And he was talking and arguing with the Hellenistic Jews; but they were attempting to put him to death. 30But when the brethren learned of it, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him away to Tarsus.

31So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria enjoyed peace, being built up; and going on in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it continued to increase.

1 Peter 2:1-10

1Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, 2like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, 3if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.

4And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God, 5you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

6For this is contained in Scripture:

“BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOICE STONE, A PRECIOUS CORNER stone,

AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED.”

7This precious value, then, is for you who believe; but for those who disbelieve,

“THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE VERY CORNER stone,”

8and,

“A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE”;

for they stumble because they are disobedient to the word, and to this doom they were also appointed.

9But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.

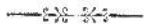
John 2:23 – 3:12

23Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. **24**But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people **25**and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

3Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. **2**This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." **3**Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

4Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" **5**Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. **6**That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7**Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' **8**The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

9Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" **10**Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? **11**Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. **12**If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"



READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday	Acts 9:32-43; 1 Peter 2:11-17; John 3:13-21
Tuesday	Acts 10:1-23; 1 Peter 2:18-25; John 3:22-36
Wednesday	Acts 10:24-48; 1 Peter 3:1-9; John 4:1-23
Thursday	Acts 11:1-26; 1 Peter 3:10-22; John 4:24-42
Friday	Acts 11:27-12:24; 1 Peter 4:1-11; John 4:24-54
Saturday	Acts 12:25-13:15; 1 Peter 4:12-19; John 5:1-18

PARISH NEWS

ST. JAMES' NEW SERIES ON WELLNESS CARING FOR THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Thursday, April 29, 2021

7:00 PM

Presentation by
Ms. Nora Knadjian
Certified Wellness & Life Coach
AFAA Fitness Instructor

Link to register
tinyurl.com/WellnessNora

BADARAK PEW BOOKS

Dear Parishioners, we have returned the pew books to the sanctuary. However, if you still prefer to not use them out of precaution, you can follow Badarak through the electronic version of the book which is available in our DESILK mobile app

The app is available for both Apple and Android devices.

**Android users can download the
app from Google Play store.**



Apple users scan the code below.



DESILK 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.

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*Kreesdos Haryav Ee Merelotz.
Orhnyal eh Harootiunun Kreesdosee.*

**CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!
BLESSED IS THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST!**

YOUTH

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

EVERY SUNDAY
All ages are welcome!

Classes are being offered via Zoom.

DIOCESAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Applications for Diocesan scholarships are now available online. The application deadline for the 2021-22 academic year is May 14, 2021.

Each year the Diocese awards scholarships to promising youth who are headed to college. The Diocese seeks students who are active in their local parishes and have assumed leadership roles in their communities.

Go to <https://armenianchurch.us/scholarships/> to access the scholarship application.

For information, contact Maria Barsoumian at (212) 686-0710, ext. 136, or e-mail mariab@armeniandiocese.org.

OUTREACH

PILL BOTTLE OUTREACH DONATIONS (NEW POLICY)

Pill bottles continue to be collected at St. James. In the past, pill bottles had been collected by the local Lions Club, and they reached their 100,000 goal (thank you for all your donations)! We will now ship pill bottles to Matthew 25: Ministries (m25m.org) in Cincinnati, Ohio, for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies to developing countries. Moving forward, when donating pill bottles, please remove all labels, glue and residue. Also, bottles and caps should be washed in hot water/dish soap and like-sized bottles placed in large ziplock bags marked "Clean Bottles." Thank you for meeting the needs of others.



SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. JAMES

Every Sunday:

Morning Service at 9 am

Holy Badarak at 10 am

Every last Sunday:

Children's Sunday

*Holy Badarak with children's
confession and children's sermon*

Every first Saturday:

Vespers- *Kirakamtits* at 5 pm

Every first Wednesday:

Prayer for the Healing at 8 pm

Every third Wednesday:

Intercessory Prayer Service at 8 pm

ALTAR FLOWERS

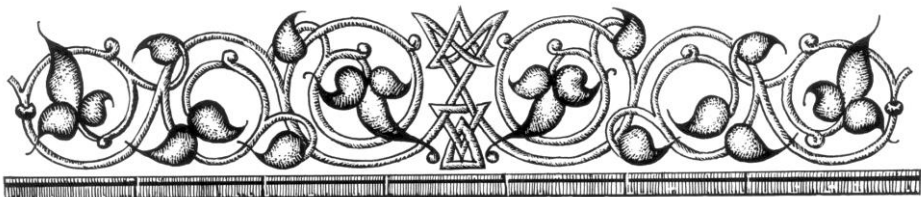
Please consider donating flowers to adorn the Holy Altar. You may either bring flowers or make a monetary donation towards the purchase.

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Writing above altar:

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