

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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Sunday Bulletin ~ Կիրակնօրեայ Լրագիր

**THE YEAR OF VOCATIONS
ENTER TO WORSHIP THE LORD
DEPART TO SERVE HIM
Encourage our young men to serve the Lord as priests.**

February 7, 2010 ~ The Armenian Year of 1459

CELEBRANT: REV. FR. DIRAN PAPAZIAN

THE LORD’S DAY ~ SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - *Առաւօտեան Ժամերգութիւն*9:00 am
Divine Liturgy - *Սուրբ Պատարագ*9:45 am
Church School - *Կիրակնօրեայ Դպրոց*10:15 am

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Today – Isaiah 63:18-64:12, Timothy 1:1-11, John 7:37-52
Next Week— Isaiah 24:21-25:8, Acts 7:47-50, Galatians 4:1-7, Luke 2:41-52

Lector: Yvonne Korkoian

Welcome!

We welcome you to the Divine Liturgy / *Soorp Badarak* and invite all who are Baptized and Chrismated in, or are in communion with, the Armenian Church to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are new to our parish and would like information about our many parish groups, please ask any Parish Council member on duty at the lobby desk. And make sure you sign our Guest Book before you leave so we can be in touch.

Enter to worship the Lord Jesus Christ who loves you and depart with His love to serve others.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: JOHN: 7:37-52

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. "When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee."

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH

A gift was presented by Mrs. Asya Postunyan Titova for candles to be lit in prayerful thanks to God for the good health of the entire Titov Family, especially for grandson, Paul Titov, who recovered from serious heart surgery in October 2009, and on her 96th birthday (December 25, 2009) for God's continuous blessings of health and peace.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Mary Besh	Lucy Fundukian	Shakey Godoshian
Edgar Hagopian	Mary Douroujalian	Millie Jingoian
Anya Melkumyan	Peter Merigian	William Pugh
Helen Z. Sahakian	Jack Serce	Agnes Tokatlian
Gloria Vartanian	Joan Victoria Kurkian	

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR\$...MEET THE CANDIDATE\$ TEA
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010, VARTAN ROOM**

**TODAY, FEBRUARY 7—\$UPERBOWL PARTY
\$PONSORED BY THE ACYOA
4:00—11:00 PM, REC CENTER
SEE FLYER IN LOBBY FOR DETAILS\$**

TAKE A GOOD LOOK!

FEAST OF VARTANANK

Thursday, February 11, 2010, 7:00 pm

St. Vartan Catholic Church at
Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, 29125 W Six Mile Rd
Fellowship/reception hosted by St. Vartan's Women's Guild
Organized by the Knights of Vartan

BLESSING OF INFANTS, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD TO THE TEMPLE - *DIARRNUNTARRACH*

Forty days after His birth, Jesus was presented to the Jerusalem Temple by his parents for a special blessing by the high priest, Saint Simeon. The Armenian Church marks this day with an annual feast and at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, Fr. Garabed will invite all parents with infants to come forward so that their children may receive a special blessing.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARCH 20!

5th Annual Lenten Retreat

sponsored in part by the
Yeretzgin Rosalie Papazian Endowment Fund

"The Faith that Survives:

Through the Lens of the Nicene Creed"

Saturday, March 20, 2010 9-3:30

Guest Speaker: Very Reverend Father Daniel Findikyan,
Dean, St. Nersess Armenian Seminary
Watch the mail for details

95TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENOCIDE OF 1915 OBSERVANCE ON SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2010

**FEATURED SPEAKER: THE HONORABLE JOHN EVANS,
FORMER AMBASSADOR TO ARMENIA**

**DIVINE LITURGY, REQUIEM SERVICE, MADAGH DINNER
FOLLOWED BY PROGRAM**

JOIN FAMILY & FRIENDS AT KEF KLUB

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT 6:00 PM

St. John's Recreation Center

Valentine's FUN! Tavloo, Cards, Games!

Armenian Dance Lesson for Kids!

MENU: PIZZA, SALAD, BEVERAGE, ICE CREAM BAR

Adults \$8.00; Kids \$5.00 2 and under FREE

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Anna Baylerian 248.960.1719

Yvonne Korkoian 248.398.9192

THE MEN'S SOCIETY SAYS 'THANK YOU'

We thank all of those who supported our first pancake breakfast for 2010. We greatly appreciate your attendance.

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST: SUNDAY, MARCH 7

ATTENTION: MEN OF OUR PARISH

If you missed the first Men's Society meeting, we invite you to attend the next meeting on **Wednesday, February 17 at 8:00 pm** in the Vartan Room following Lenten Worship.

**Camp Ararat Reunion Committee Meets Today
at 12:30 pm—Conference Room opposite Museum**

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Focus Middle East 2010 at the Schoolcraft College International Institute will present a multi-media lecture by instructor Marjorie Nanian entitled,

"The Armenian Genocide and its Impact on the World Today."

Using documentary images, Ms. Nanian will explain how these events unfolded and how they reverberate today.

The lecture will take place **Tuesday, February 23, 1:00—2:30 pm**, Schoolcraft College, Liberal Arts Bldg., Room 200. Best entry is South Parking Lot on Haggerty Rd between Six and Seven Mile Roads.

Ms. Nanian is Adjunct Assistant Professor, Political Science at Schoolcraft College. The event is free and open to the community.

For more information, call 734.462.4400, ext. 5067.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY AND ELECTIONS
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010, 12:30 PM

All parishioners whose pledges are current as of December 31, 2009 are eligible to participate and vote in the Annual Parish Assembly.

HOME BUILD TEAM TO PREPARE PRE-ASSEMBLY LUNCH

A Lenten Lunch will be served preceding the Annual Parish Assembly. The proceeds will go towards the group's fundraising. St. John's Home Build Team plans to travel to Armenia this summer to work on building a home under the auspices of the Fuller Center. The team leader is Jackie ElChemmas. Please make your check payable to "Fuller Center-Armenia" and present it on the day of the assembly. Call the Church Office for lunch reservations.

TEKEYAN/ADL PAREGENTAN MASQUERADE PARTY
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2010—ST. JOHN'S HALL
SEE BULLETIN BOARD POSTER FOR DETAILS

KOMITAS CHOIR PLANS OCTOBER CONCERT

Our Komitas Choir is planning a major concert in October 2010. We have designated this concert as a fundraiser for St. John's. We are in need of additional voices. Interested individuals should contact Deacon Rubik at 248.569.3405 or . . . rubik@sjachurch.org.

ACVOA TO SPONSOR MICHIGAN/OHIO JUNIORS RETREAT
MARCH 5-7 WEEKEND AT CAMP OHIYESA, HOLLY, MI

Registration packets in Lobby Carousel
Open to all Michigan/Ohio youth ages 13-18
Completed registration packets must be submitted to
Lisa Mardigian no later than Monday, February 22

REQUIEM PRAYERS

Hokehankisd / requiem prayers will be offered on
February 14 and 28 March 14 and 21 April 11 and 25

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

AIWA (Armenian International Women's Association) announces
2010-2011 scholarships to female students of Armenian descent.
See announcement in lobby carousel.

ADMINISTRATOR TO RETIRE

Effective the end of March 2010, St. John's Administrator David Dardarian will retire from his position. Since accepting this job, David has been dedicated and effective in carrying out the incredibly diverse responsibilities that come with this position. We are thankful he has agreed to remain in charge of St. John's web page which, under his care, has evolved into an informative and effective means of communication between the church and the parish. David will make himself available during the hiring of a new administrator and subsequent transition period .

Employment Opportunity Church Complex Business Administrator

Minimum Requirements:

Undergraduate degree or equivalent experience in business administration.
Technical expertise or knowledge of computer software and hardware.
Experience in financial accounting.
Comprehension of building grounds and maintenance systems.
Supervising of current office and custodial staff.
Overseeing building and property management.
Assist in rental and catering function.
Reviewing all financial accounting and more.

Specific qualifications not limited to:

Highly organized multitasking ability with excellent communication skills.
A leader to develop the unique talents of people and material resources of the Church.

The minimum time commitment is 40 hours per week usually 8:00am-5:00pm Monday through Friday with some after hour time required for meetings with organization, elected boards and committees.
Salary and benefits shall commensurate with qualifications presented.
Send your résumé with salary requirements to: hr@sjachurch.org

FOR HAITIAN RELIEF DONATIONS

If you have not yet responded to our parish appeal for helping the suffering Haitian people, you may still do so. Please make your check payable to FAR (Fund for Armenian Relief) noting "Haiti Relief."

To date, St. John's has raised \$3,348.00, which is over 10% of the total \$30,000 donations made in the name of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America.

WOMEN'S GUILD TO SELL SPINACH PIE & CHEOREG TODAY
WINTER BAKING HAS BEGUN! ITEMS, WHEN AVAILABLE, WILL BE SOLD
SUNDAYS, AFTER CHURCH THROUGH MARCH.

On Tuesday, February 9 at 9 am we'll make Tepsi Beoreg & Cheese Beoreg. An evening Cheoreg, Bake is set for Monday, February 15, at 6 pm. EVERYONE is welcome -- Women's Guild membership is not required. Please join us and enjoy working and learning, while serving our Church.

The Women's Guild is happy to announce the formation of a Moms & Tots Club, a program for tots ages 1-5 with their moms to get together to socialize at St. John's. At their first get together this past Tuesday, they renamed themselves, St. John's Moms and Manoogs, The next get together is on Tuesday, March 2 from 10:00 am—12 Noon in the nursery. Women's Guild membership is not required. It's not too late to join the group. For more information, please phone Linda Tiffany at 248.549.7106.

The Women's Guild invites you to become a member.

For more information, please call Linda Assarian, 248.332.0816.

ACVOA LENTEN FISH DINNERS BEGIN
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 5:30 PM THROUGH MARCH 24
HELP SUPPORT OUR ACVOA YOUTH
MAKE DINNER RESERVATIONS WITH CHURCH OFFICE
FOLLOWING EACH LENTEN DINNER THERE WILL BE A
LENTEN VIGIL HELD IN THE SANCTUARY AT 7:00 PM

TRACKING OUR TREASURES - SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

Plate Donations of the Day	\$276.00
Candle Donations of the Day	\$160.00

DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Bible Study Leader: Yerezgin Roberta

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 9—Senior Lunch
Thursday, February 11-Vartanank Service at St. Vartan Church
Friday, February 12-Kef Klub
Sunday, February 14—*Boon Baregentan*
Feast of the Presentation of our Lord to the Temple
Infants' Blessing **Candidates' Tea**

ON LEAVING THE SANCTUARY AFTER BADARAK

What do I say when approaching the Holy Gospel at the end of the Divine Liturgy?

You say:
**Heeshestzeh Der zamenaym
Badarakus koh.**

Յիշեցէ՛ Տէր զամենայն Պատարագս քո:

May the Lord remember all your offerings.

The Priest answers:

*Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev
zamenayn khorhoortus koh ee parees na
gadarsestseh.*

**Տացէ քեզ Սէր ըստ սրտի քում եւ զամենայն
խորհուրդս քո ի բարիս նա կատարեցէ:**

May the Lord grant you according to your own heart, and fulfill all your counsel. (Psalm 20:4)

What do I say when receiving Holy Communion?

Approach the Holy Sacrament with both arms crossed over your chest and say:

Megha Asdoodzo

With your mouth open, extend your tongue on which the priest will place Holy Communion.

Holy Communion may be chewed and swallowed.

Quietly return to your pew.

THE KISS OF PEACE

The GIVER says:

Christ is revealed amongst us
*Kreesdos ee mech
mer haydnetsov*

The RECEIVER says:

Blessed is the revelation of Christ
*Orhnyal eh haydootyoonun
Kreesdosee*

THE PSALM OF DISMISSAL - PSALM 34

*Orhnetseets uzDer hamenayn zham, hamenyn zham
orhnootyoon nora ee peran eem.*

Օրհնեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ,

օրհնութիւն նորա ի բերան իմ:

I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall be at all times in my mouth.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Pastor's Cell: 248.225.9888

Parish Council Chairman's Home: 734.998.1183

Administrator's Cell: 248.802.2861