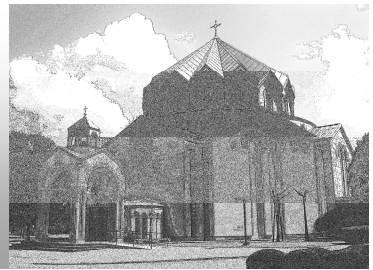


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*Sunday Bulletin ~ Կիրակնօրեայ Լրագիր*

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

**January 31, 2010 ~ The Armenian Year of 1459**

**SUNDAY OF THE CATECHUMENS**

**ԱՌԱՋԱԻՈՐՆԵՐՈՒ ԿՐՐԱԿԻ**

***FEAST OF ST. SARKIS THE WARRIOR & HIS SON, ST. MARDIROS***

***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 63:7-18, 2 Timothy 3:1-12, John 6:22-38

Next Week— Isaiah 63:18-64:12, Timothy 1:1-11, John 7:37-52

**Lector: Sub-Deacon Ghazar DerGhazarian**

*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."

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Mary Besh	Lucy Fundukian	Shakey Godoshian
Edgar Hagopian	Queenie Hazergian	Millie Jingoian
Anya Melkumyan	Peter Merigian	William Pugh
Helen Z. Sahakian	Jack Serce	Gloria Vartanian

### **FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD**

We offer prayers for the servant of God

**JOHN LUCAS**

**IRENE BURCHILL**

who entered their eternal rest this past week.

May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon their souls.

### **HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF**

A collection will be taken today and sent to the Fund for Armenian Relief to be forwarded to the National Council of Churches of Christ (NCCC) to be used in the Haiti Earthquake Relief efforts. Please be generous. Kindly make your check payable to FAR indicating "Haiti Relief."

**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.

**FEAST OF VARTANANK**

**Thursday, February 11, 2010, 7:00 pm**

**Organized by the Knights of Vartan**

St. Vartan Armenian Catholic Church  
at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church  
29125 W Six Mile Rd (E. of Middlebelt, S. of Six Mile)  
Fellowship/reception hosted by St. Vartan's Women's Guild

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7—SUPERBOWL PARTY**

HOSTED BY THE ACYOA SENIORS & JUNIORS

AT THE REC CENTER 4:00-11:00 PM

Detroitacyoa@gmail.com (more details to come)

**ACYOA 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

**ARMENIA SERVICE PROGRAM ANNOUNCES 2010 PROJECT**

A special packet containing details of the ASP program and the application form can be found on the literature carousel in the Church Lobby.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, February 2—Senior Lunch-Noon

Sunday, February 7—Morning Payers—9am Divine Liturgy—9:45 am

**ACYOA SUPERBOWL PARTY-4:00-11:00 PM**

**TODAY . . . MEN'S SOCIETY PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
WITH BASTURMA AND EGGS**

Breakfast includes: sausage, juice, coffee, or milk and all the pancakes you can eat, and for those who wish, basturma and eggs. Donations are appreciated and needed. Proceeds will go to the Hye Camp Scholarship Fund, to assist youth in our parish.

**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

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR\$ FOR MARCH 20!**

**5th Annual Lenten Retreat**

sponsored in part by the Yerezgin 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

**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**

**Camp Ararat Reunion Committee**

**Next meeting date: Sunday, February 7 at 12:30 pm  
Conference Room opposite Museum**

**DAUGHTER\$ OF VARTAN "MANTI AND MORE"  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2010, 7 PM  
ST. JOHN'S—SEE POSTER FOR DETAILS**

**REQUIEM PRAYER\$**

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

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR...MEET THE CANDIDATES TEA  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010, VARTAN ROOM**

There will be a special tea held in the Vartan Room to introduce the candidates who have been nominated to run in the Annual Parish Assembly elections the following Sunday.

**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.

**ACYOA LENTEN FISH DINNERS BEGIN  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 5:30 PM  
EVERY WEDNESDAY THRU MARCH 24  
HELP SUPPORT OUR ACYOA YOUTH**

**FOLLOWING EACH LENTEN DINNER THERE WILL BE A  
LENTEN VIGIL HELD IN THE SANCTUARY AT 7:00 PM**

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**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 2010. We invite additional participants to join us in our efforts to present this concert. We have designated this concert as a fundraiser for St. John's. Interested individuals should contact Deacon Rubik at 248.569.3405 or . . . [rubik@sjachurch.org](mailto:rubik@sjachurch.org).

## **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  
no later than February 6, 2010 to:**

[hr@sjachurch.org](mailto:hr@sjachurch.org)

## **WOMEN'S GUILD TO SELL CHEOREG TODAY**

**WINTER BAKING HAS BEGUN! ITEMS, WHEN AVAILABLE, WILL BE SOLD SUNDAYS, AFTER CHURCH STARTING TODAY THRU MARCH.**

On Tuesday, **February 2 at 9 am** we will make Spinach Pie & Khadayif  
On **Tuesday, February 9 at 9 am** we will 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 has formed a **Moms and Tots Club** for children ages 1-5 and their moms to get together to socialize at St. John's. The first get together is on **Tuesday, February 2 at 10 am** in the nursery. Women's Guild membership is not required. It's not too late to join the group. If interested, 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.*

### **TRACKING OUR TREASURES - SUNDAY, JANUARY 24**

Plate Donations of the Day	\$345.00
Candle Donations of the Day	\$193.00

### **DAY BY DAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

Bible Study Leader: Yerezgin Roberta

### **JOIN FAMILY & FRIENDS AT KEF KLUB FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT 6:00 PM St. John's Recreation Center**

**Valentine's FUN! Tavloor, 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

## 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 վամենայն 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 վամենայն  
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 haydnetsav*

**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.

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**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**