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"MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK" -

CELEBRATING THOSE WHO GIVE OF THEMSELVES AT ST. JOHN'S!!

Help Habitat for Humanity Locally

For the past few years our St. John parish members have participated in home building programs with Habitat for Humanity by going to Armenia to build houses for needy families. It has been a tremendous success and, of course, requires our funding of the project as well. We continue this building ministry for our kindred Armenians in the homeland.

But there is also local need for Habitat work here in the USA, here in the greater Detroit area where this building program began years ago. And during his presidency, Jimmy Carter launched a wonderful ministry that has built walls, put roofs over the heads of families in need of homes in Pontiac and in Detroit and across the country.

As they have done each summer, our St. John Women's Guild prepares breakfast for the building teams and has nourished their appetites to begin their daily work. Thank you, ladies for serving breakfast again on June 23. (*Women's Guild members, and Fr. Garabed are pictured at right with Sally LePla, Executive Director, and Brad Irwin, Director of Partnerships for Habitat Oakland County.*) Our youth from the Church School and ACYOA Juniors, along with their parents, have also helped in building furniture for the homes under the leadership of Roseann Attar and Lisa Mardigian.

But now there is another opportunity for ALL parishioners of St. John's to do even more and join in with building teams in Pontiac.

Our hope is to have our own parishioners who can't commit to going to Armenia for three weeks but would like to help build a home, a life, a community just a few miles away take part in the Habitat initiative here locally. As the pastor of St. John's, I am a member of the Michigan Clergy Council for Habitat and now turn to you, our parishioners, to join in this tremendously rewarding effort.

Please read this description and invitation from the Habitat for Humanity organization in our local region and consider joining a team, giving a day, a few hours of your time and talent as a steward of God's creation, in order to bring happiness to a family waiting for a home, a life and a community. **YOU CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.**

"Habitat For Humanity of Oakland County is a volunteer-driven organization. With minimal staff, Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County depends on volunteers for support with projects like Construction, ReStore, Office Volunteering, and Teams (Committees).

Construction volunteers assist by "swinging a hammer" on a house project. They also help with landscaping projects. Construction days are typically Tuesdays and Thursdays with occasional Saturdays. ReStore volunteers assist by providing



customer service to those who are shopping and donating to our store. They help clean and organize donated items and take purchased items to cars. ReStore days are Mondays - Saturdays. To take a leadership role as a team leader or become a team member, you may assist with our thirty new Volunteer Teams. The Teams assist with projects related to construction, Habitat Affiliate Operations, Events, and ReStore efforts."

If you are interested in learning more about how you can help, please contact me - Father Garabed - at the church office, 248 569 3405.

St. John's Helps Special Children In Armenia

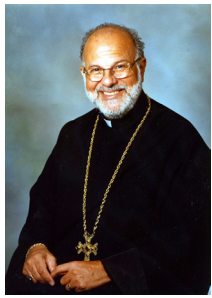
The parishioners of St. John's have once again assisted their brothers and sisters in Armenia. During the Spring of this year about \$3,000 was collected to provide humanitarian assistance for the Medical Psychological Education Evaluation Center, a school for children with special needs in Stepanavan, Armenia. This facility was in need of major renovation, including a new roof, doors, windows, and interior painting. The center, built in 1960, is currently home to 47 children between 7-15 years of age, all of whom have special needs and live at the school ten months out of the year. The staff consists of 22 teachers who provide instruction in all subject areas in grades 1-9. As always, the St. John's community eagerly responded and reached out to help meet the needs of this school.

~ Barbara Haroutunian

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SUMMER 2010



FROM FATHER GARABED'S DESK.....

Let Him Shine!

This month our Church observes and celebrates our Lord's awesome Transfiguration on the Holy Mount Tabor, where God - in the person of Our Lord Jesus Christ - revealed His Presence and that HE was in the world. Yes - God was not out there in space someplace, He IS HERE. And, before the very eyes of His Apostles, simple ordinary people, James, John and Peter, He showed his power, might and what could and would happen if you stand next to Jesus, as Moses and Elijah did. These holy prophets and men represented Law and Prophecy, and that any change in life is *based* upon law [what is expected] and a good vision and outlook to guide us to a happy and good life.

We are always in hope of change for the good, improvements, becoming better husbands, wives, fathers, mothers, children, leaders, workers, teachers, etc. For Christians this can happen, but will only happen when we stand next to Christ. As our Lord was *Transfigured* - showing the Divine Presence and fulfillment of God's law, God in Christ was not just showing off His power and might, He was showing us that by a change of life, attitude or direction, and abiding and keeping His law we can experience a brightening and shining in our lives as well.

What happened to Jesus' humanity can happen to us. The image of God in us can and will shine when we stand by Christ every day of our lives--not just when we are at the top of a mountain, or in the high and good times of life, but for all times even in the valleys of life when things seem bleak and difficult. The light of Christ will change us and transform us. We just have to keep fighting the good fight and running the race and when we do so, we will be transformed, we can be transfigured and let Him shine.

~ Father Garabed

MEET YOUR PARISH COUNCIL.....



From John Yavruian, Parish Council Chairman: I was born in Highland Park and baptized at St. John Armenian Church on Oakman Boulevard. Both my parents were born in Turkey. My dad was from Van and my mom from Izmit. They experienced early life traumas, which were not discussed in front of me. My parents maintained high levels of individual integrity while sharing their deep love of family. Both were eager to succeed in a country that offered them so much.

I attended Sunday School regularly before and after my father died in 1958. I was active in the ACYOA Juniors for four years then I attended Wayne State University and there I discovered the world outside of my family and the Armenian Community. I taught in an alternative school after college and made some remarkable friends. After working at Ford Motor Car Company I left the country to travel for about two years to travel. I visited major centers of western civilization; London, Paris, Rome, Athens, Cairo and Constantinople.

I landed in Jerusalem where I decided to teach English to orphans from Lebanon who were living in the Seminary. I wanted to enhance knowledge of the Armenian Language and it seemed a good place for me to start. It was at that time I decided to read the Bible start to finish. That is probably not the recommended way but that is how I learned a great deal in those nine months. Reluctantly, I returned to the United States and reentered a world that had become somewhat foreign. To honor my father, I decided to manage the property he had acquired and that my mother had doubled in size. My mother was aging and in reality, the property was not producing any meaningful income.

Twenty years pass. In 2003, my mother leaves the earthly vessel that has contained her spirit. Her wishes were respected. My parents never lived to taste the fruit from their garden. That was their gift to their children. Whatever service I offer comes from the bounty God has generously provided to me through my parents.

Sara Andonian, a member of Parish Council for four years, three as Treasurer, has also served the St. John community as a Church School Teacher for more than a decade, chaired and filled various roles for both the ACYOA Juniors and Seniors including treasurer on the Central Council and is a member of the Women's Guild.

When asked about her life goal she says that it is "to preserve and pass along the teachings of the Armenian Christian Church. When teaching teenagers in Church School, my goal is to teach them to feel comfortable with their religion and our church - so that no matter where life takes them in this world, they can enter an Armenian Apostolic Church and feel like they are at home."

Her work on the Parish Council "stems from my 'numbers' background. I, myself, feel that I am a fiduciary of the treasury of the church. In such a role, I find that I am constantly trying to preserve our treasures, expand programs for the youth, provide teaching of our faith, save for the future, and spend now to make our home as comfortable and welcoming as possible. All of this makes for a massive headache some weeks!"

Sara is a familiar face to St. John parishioners of all generations and has been and will continue to be a vital part of the community.

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL.....

We are almost half way through the calendar year and some budgetary realities are becoming clear. Our facility is aging. Structural improvements and certain maintenance items are demanding immediate attention. This requires that we sit down with representatives of the Apostolic Society to formulate a comprehensive plan to address the long-term goals, as well as the short term steps we need to take to maintain a viable facility for St John. Our new Administrator, Tom Stambouljian, has inventoried the facility's needs and has created a document that will be used to set our priorities, moving forward. In order to maximize our chances for success we must begin to think holistically. If we are going to become effective problem solvers, we will have to revisit some of the assumptions we have held that blur our vision.

In order to address the budgetary shortfall we anticipated coming out of the Annual Meeting, the Parish Council implemented a Capital Fund Drive. The goal to raise \$50,000 between Memorial Day and Labor Day was the result of Council's commitment to balance the budget. The Community's response to the campaign has been inspiring. In the first two weeks of the campaign we have collected \$16,980 from 71 donors. Bravo!

This year has witnessed the revival of the Men's Society. David Aprahamian, a newly elected member to the Parish Council, was asked to spearhead this endeavor by Father Garabed. Those of you who attended the Wine Tasting Fund Raisher sponsored by the Men's Society know what an asset our Community has created for itself.

Another gift the Community has given itself is the Kef Klub. Diane Ekizian and Marianne Dardarian came before the Parish Council and shared their vision. The Parish Council merely got out of their way so that they could make their vision a reality. Others have also stepped forward. Rita Jury, Solange Messelian and Anita Arslanian created the Michael Aram Trunk Show which netted the Church \$3,000.

The Parish Council has asked Paul Yousoufian, another newly elected member of the Council, to organize and structure the Festival in such a way as to spread the ownership of the event. We all know the Festival belongs to everyone. It is an expression of our Community. It is a gift the Community gives to itself. It requires much work, but it also provides us with a great deal of satisfaction. Be aware that the dates for the Festival have changed. The Festival will begin on Tuesday, September 21 and run through Sunday, September 26, 2010.

FYI: A suggestion box has been placed in the Lobby of the Church for your convenience. You may have an idea you would like the Council to consider. You may have had an experience that you feel the Council needs to address. We want to hear from you!

This is my third year on the Council and my second year serving as its Chairman. While the opportunity to serve our community means a great deal to me, nothing compares to the joy I experience singing in the choir. From my first day, I knew this is where I belonged. I thank God every day for the blessings He has bestowed on me and the privilege to worship Him with those I know and love.

~John Yavruian, Parish Council Chairman



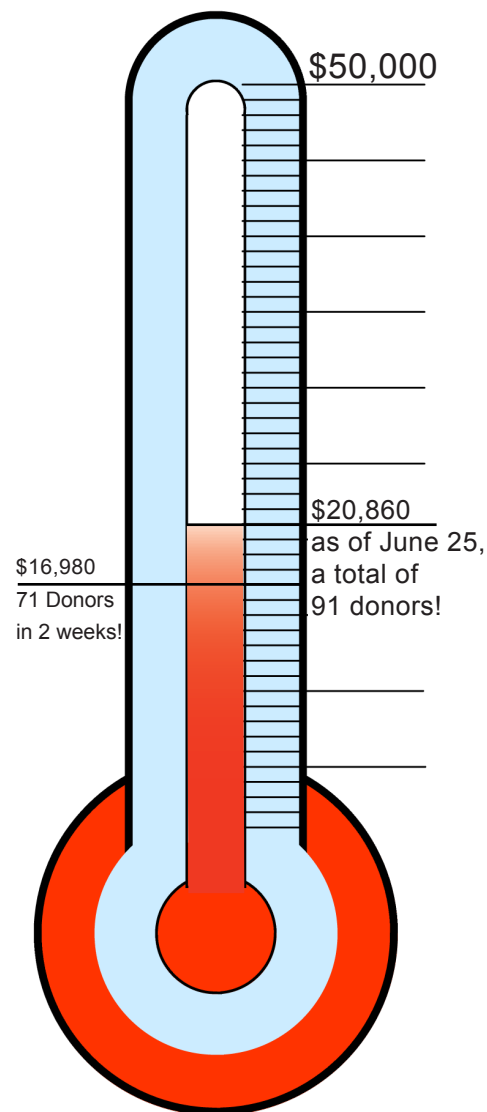
Volunteers Make It Happen!

On June 12th a small group of volunteers including Jonathan Banks and Joe Sanjian helped clean up and did landscape work near the Southfield service drive entrance. Work included trash pickup, weeding, tree removal, wood chipping, hedging, and flower planting. Thank you to the volunteers and staff for helping to beautify the grounds.

In addition, David Dardarian donated and planted flowers in front of the church.

The Memorial Day to Labor Day Capital Fund Drive

There is plenty of time for everyone in the St. John Community to participate. The Church Office will accept your donation by cash, check or credit card. Watch the progress here! Be part of the success of the campaign!



A Special Request for E-mail Users

Due to the less frequent access to news through newspapers, many of our faithful hear about deaths in our community too late to attend services. Taking note of this concern and requests by many for the Church to pass on this information, the Parish Council has approved a trial program — an email blast to those who wish to be informed about *Dahn Gark* and Funeral services. If you wish to be on the list, please contact the Church Office.

Women's Guild Update

The Women's Guild Annual Membership Dinner was held on Wednesday evening, June 2nd. At a ceremony conducted by Deacon Rubik Mailian (pictured at right) we welcomed new members: Carole Bagdasarian, Nancy Berryman, Delores Krikorian, Patricia Magee, Mary Matosian, Nancy Panaretos, and Salpi Tachian. We are so pleased they have decided to join our wonderful organization and are looking forward to getting to know them better through our many worthwhile and fun activities.

This past year we have held:

- an inspirational Advent by Candlelight
 - Annual Christmas Installation Dinner
 - Armenian Christmas Luncheon
 - Farewell Tea for Fr. Hrach Sargsyan and his family
 - Manoogian Manor visitations
 - Easter Sunday Tea
 - Kufra Night
 - Martyrs' Day Dinner,
 - "The Wedding Party" luncheon and fashion show of vintage wedding attire attended by over 400 women!
- Thank you to Paulette Apkarian and her dynamic committee for an unforgettable afternoon

In addition:

- Delegates attended the Women's Guild General Assembly in Chicago. We congratulate Kathy Mekjian on her re-election to the Women's Guild Central Council.
- "Moms & Manoogs" monthly activities
- Knitted scarves, blankets and baby caps, made fleece blankets and donated children's books all for needy families in the Detroit area.
- School Bag Project: much appreciation goes to Laurie Reizian for raising \$2,000.00 to help purchase school supplies for children in Armenia.

- 200 loaves cheoreg • 87 dozen khalka • 31 trays of sou beoreg • 66 katahs • 14 trays spinach pie • 25 trays cheese beoreg • 10 trays khadayif • 1250 Kharpert Kuftehs
- and now festival baking has begun
- \$15,000 presented to the Parish Council this year

Upcoming Activities:

- June 23rd: Habitat for Humanity breakfast in Pontiac
- July 14th: summer outing to Westin Book Cadillac Hotel for a tour and luncheon.
- "Care Packages" for college students living away from home.
- "New Armenian Cookbook": A compilation of "traditional" and new Armenian recipes from our Detroit community. There will be over 250 delicious and easy to make recipes. This will be the best user-friendly cookbook! Buy it at St. John's 2010 Festival: Sept. 24 – 26!



Sts. Tarkmanchatz Books are Shipped



Emma Betrosian, (pictured above) and Diana Shoushanian. Jackie ElChemmas handled the complex task of arranging for shipping. Johnny ElChemmas and Mike Dardarian loaded the boxes into the truck. Each book included a label:

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ACYOA Seniors Attend General Assembly and Sports Weekend



Karen Dardarian and Ara Janigian, PR Coordinator of the ACYOA Central Council, who presented the Award.

This year a large number of our youth attended the annual ACYOA Seniors General Assembly and Sports Weekend. It was hosted by the St. James Armenian Church Chapter of Watertown, MA. Attending as delegates were Karen Dardarian and Harry Kezelian, who participated in the General Assembly sessions Thursday and Friday, May 27 and 28. It was a great surprise for Karen, and our chapter as well, when she received the Sam Nersesian Award given to an ACYOA member who best exemplifies a good Christian lifestyle, humility, charity and love. If you know Karen, you would know why she was chosen to be the recipient of this award. And, by coincidence, the same award was granted to her mother, Marianne Hovsepian Dardarian the first time it was given at an ACYOA General Assembly. Like Mother, like daughter. Karen, we celebrate your recognition!

Our youth also participated in the sporting events of the weekend. After several rounds of basketball games, St. John clinched the third place title. Boys, good job! We are proud of you also.

Next year's GASW will take place in Philadelphia, PA. Karen Dardarian was elected as an alternate to the ACYOA Central Council due to the resignation of Danielle Assadourian who was married to Seminarian Benjamin Rith Najarian June 5 at St. Nersess Seminary Chapel. Danielle and Ben will be leaving for Jerusalem where Ben will complete his studies at the Armenian Orthodox Patriarchate in preparation for the Holy Priesthood. Assuredly Danielle was a valuable member on the Council and now has been replaced by our own Karen Dardarian who will be a great asset as well. Congratulations, Karen, once again!

The Men's Society's First Fundraiser: A Wine Tasting Event "A New Armenian Experience from Old Armenian Traditions"



Wine representative from Westborn Market with wine tasters Steve Nazoyan and Armineh Haroutunyan.

As a revitalized organization we have high expectations of ourselves. Our new members, working together with our experienced members, put on a successful event on Friday, June 11 to help establish a foundation for our organization's future, and enabled us to begin to reach the following goals:

- **Technology Update** - The money raised will be used to set-up WiFi in the Church complex for our parishioners, phase one of a three-phase program to update St. John's video equipment and eventually enable us to have video conferencing and LCD projection equipment. Additionally a bookbinding machine will be purchased for future publications.

- **Publications** - Our first publication, "**Six Armenian Regions of Historic Western Armenia**," begins our heritage educational program for Armenian families. We hope to spark curiosity in our children and the younger parents of our Church who might not have had the opportunity to learn about life in Armenia. We hope you will read this book with your children and grandchildren and share their thoughts with us.

- **Fellowship** - We brought our members and their families together as volunteers to work on this event or merely to attend. It was great seeing and working with our new members, watching their ideas and talents unfold. All the food and some of the wine we served were prepared by members and their families. Some members requested babysitting for this event. It was a big hit and we hope to continue providing this service in the future.

The evening was a night to remember, and we wish to thank all who contributed to its success. A variety of excellent wines was donated by Anthony Anusbigian (Westborn Market); an excellent homemade red wine was made and donated by John Lucassian and family; a cheese and fruit table was prepared by Robert Magee and his family; a cold mezza table was prepared by John Kalajian and his family; David Aprahamian's family prepared hot mezza; Judy Yousoufian worked with Danny Cristiano on a carved meat table; pastries were donated by the Dardarian, Kalajian, Berryman and Tachian families; Kelly Yousoufian played the harp.

Every family received a copy of the book "**Six Armenian Regions of Historic Western Armenia**" prepared by Danny Cristiano and Elizabeth Aprahamian. During the event, a video showed a scenic view of the Armenian country-side.

We would like to thank all of these Men's Society members and their families for donating their time and talents. We also thank Sirvart Mezan for her donations for the auction table, as well as our support volunteers Ed Baharian, Judy Cristiano and Ruth Pinto-Cieslak for their help. Special thanks go out to Rayanne Magee and Amber Kalajian who ran our complimentary babysitting program. Lastly, we are grateful to all who attended this event.

We are very fortunate to have such strong supporters of the Men's Society. With donations, sponsorship and auction proceeds, we realized over \$7,000 -- not bad, gentlemen, for your first go-round. Can't wait to see what you're going to do to top this one.

Baptisms

June

- 5 Gregory
Son of Gagik & Margarita Yeghiyan
Godfather: Hovanes Egiyan
- Ofelia
Daughter of Gagik & Margarita Yeghiyan
Godfather: Hovanes Egiyan
- 6 Chase Charles
Son of Bradley & Julie Neher
Godparents: Brian Neher & Erin Kaye Oaks
- 13 Anna
Daughter of Gevork & Laura Paylozyan
Godfather: Khachik Margarian
- 26 Everett Andrew
Son of Brian & Nicole Galindo
Godparents: John Fitchett & Jennifer Piesko
- Zabelle Florence Este Irene
Daughter of Lazarus & Valerie Der-Ghazarian
Godparents: John Der-Ghazarian
& Veronica Der-Ghazarian
- 27 Andrew
Son of James & Tina Schaffner
Godparents: Adam Baylerian & Tera Baylerian

Weddings

June

- 5 Christine Michele Freeman
& Steven Hirach Basmajian
Bestman: Scott Vahan Basmajian
Maid of Honor: Elizabeth Freeman

Funerals

June

- 2 Roger Chiroyan, 67, Oakland Hills
- 8 Rose Kavlakian, 85, Woodlawn
- 14 Homer H. Lafian, 87, Woodlawn
- 29 Mary Besh, 93, Woodlawn

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Marriages

Arrangements for weddings are to be made at least eight months in advance. Marriage preparation and counseling are required before the celebration of the sacrament. The Bestman (Khachyeghpayr) must be a member of the Armenian Orthodox Church. The parish office will make all necessary arrangements for the deacon, organist and soloist. Marriages are not celebrated during Great Lent.

Baptisms and Chrismations

All baptisms must be scheduled at least two months in advance. Pre-baptismal preparation for the parents and godparents is required. At least one of the godparents must be a member of the Armenian Orthodox Faith.

Regulation of Sacramental Services

In accordance with Diocesan discipline mandated by the Primate, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, all sacraments, e.g. funerals, weddings, baptisms and rites of Christian burial, can only be administered in the church sanctuary, which has been consecrated for the celebrations of these sacred rites.

Bags of Blessings are finally here for our young ones!

"Bags of Blessings for Young Children" are filled with 'quiet entertainment' for young children to use during the Divine Liturgy. The contents of the bag will help them to sit quietly throughout the service while their parents are worshipping. Keep in mind that there are some small items, therefore, please use parental discretion as you look through the bag.

Inside the bag are approximately eight board books ranging from short stories to picture books, all with Bible themes. Also in the bag is a five piece Nativity finger puppet set, two Bible figurines that each come with a small book telling the story of the person the figure represents, a pack of Bible Story cards that range from memory matching to Bible hero stories, and a drawing board.

- For babies, there are soft finger puppets and board books to capture their attention as they quietly sit through the service.
- For toddlers, they too will enjoy flipping through the books, looking at the pictures and playing with the other items in the bag.
- Older children will be able to enjoy reading the short stories and using the set of cards to learn Bible information.

These bags were designed for children who have difficulty sitting still and focusing completely during the service. The contents in the "Bags of Blessings" are to help the children occupy their attention and at the same time assist the parents to focus more on aspects of worship. We hope that this gives not only the children more opportunities to sit longer through the Divine Liturgy, but helps parents follow the *Badarak* with less distraction.

The bags will be hanging on a stand at the entrance of the church sanctuary. When you take a bag for your child[ren], please be sure to return it to the stand.

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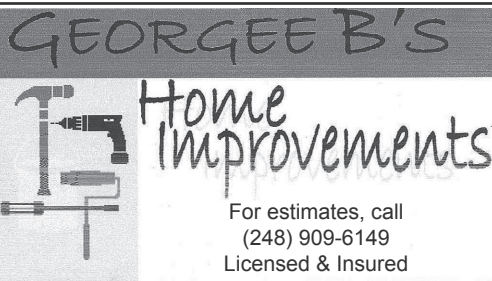


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We invite you to visit the St. John web site for up-to-date calendar information, the Sunday Bulletin, *The Torchbearer*, event information and links to internet sites of interest to our parishioners:

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- July**
5 Independence Day - Complex Closed
11 Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord - *Vartavar*
16 "Kef Klub" at St. John's Recreation Center, 6:00 pm, sponsored by the Men's Society
- August**
15 Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother-of-God - *Asdvadzadzin*
 Annual Church Picnic
20 "Kef Klub" at St. John's Recreation Center, 6:00 pm
26 "River Kef" - Detroit River Cruise
 aboard the 138 foot Ovation cruise ship with strolling supper, premium bar and live Armenian music.
 Boarding from 6-7 pm and cruise from 7-9 pm.
 Donation: \$150 per person; \$250 per couple;
 to benefit St. John Armenian Church. For information and reservations, contact Bernie Akkashian at ashcan3@att.net.
- September**
5 Men's Society Pancake Breakfast
6 Labor Day - Complex Closed
8 Feast of the Nativity of the Holy Mother-of-God - *Dohn Soorp Asdvadzadzee Dzununtyan*
12 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross - *Dohn Veratzman Soorp Khachee*
 Church School Opens; Men's Society Pancake Breakfast
17 "Kef Klub" at St. John's Recreation Center, 6:00 pm
23 - 26 Annual Festival
26 Holy Cross of Varak

Moms and *Manoogs* play group sponsored by the Women's Guild:
 first and third Tuesdays in the Nursery at 10 am

Note: All events at St. John's Church and Cultural Hall unless specified.

2010 St. John Armenian Church Summer Day Camp

St. John Armenian Church is pleased to again offer a Summer Day Camp for children ages 5 to 12. St. John's Armenian Day Camp is a wonderful opportunity for our children to get acquainted with other Armenian children, to learn about their heritage and to share in the exciting experience of summer day camp. If you require further information or have any questions contact Lisa Mardigian at: (248) 569-3405 or lmardigian@sjachurch.org

DAYCAMP SESSION THEMES & FIELD TRIPS

MINI SESSION 4: July 6 – 9 Food Network

Swim day ~ California Pizza Kitchen

SESSION 5: July 12 – 16 Art & Creativity

Swim day ~ Tiger Baseball Game ~ DIA

SESSION 6: July 19 – 23 Christmas in July

Swim day ~ Movies ~ Surprise field trip

SESSION 7: July 26 – 30 Talent Show/Karaoke

Swim day ~ Bowling ~ Hard Rock Café

SESSION 8: August 2 – 6 Cultural Week

Swim day ~ Manoogian Museum ~ Arab Museum ~ Holocaust Museum

NO CAMP August 7-14 due to HYE CAMP 2010

SESSION 9: August 16 – 20 Hawaiian Luau

Beach Party ~ Lucky Strike

SCHEDULE MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!

TIME: Check-in 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. • Dismissal 4:00 p.m.

FEE: *\$125.00 per week (Discount for second child)

*Fee includes: Supplies, Refreshments, Camp T-Shirt, Picnics, Field Trips and Transportation for Field Trips. Parents must provide a sack lunch!

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