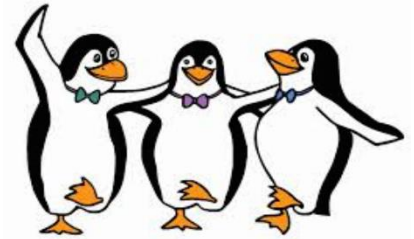


## A Message From Our Chairman...

We are entering the season of Great Lent. It doesn't just mean giving up or as one of our Sunday School students announced in church last year, 'I'm giving up giving up!' Hayr Aren was giving a children's sermon and after we all stopped giggling, Hayr Soorp then explained that we don't just give things up, we also add

things. We add prayer, we add looking out for others and we add self-reflection. We do deny ourselves the physical beauty of our altar and we abstain from Holy Communion. But, as Hayr Soorp recently explained, Communion can be offered privately or to those in need.



We are busy preparing for our famous Palm Sunday Bake Sale. We have already begun to 'fill the freezer' and look forward to participation from all of our members and friends of our Guild. We are thankful for all of our members that have offered to take responsibility for our bake days.

And, we are thankful for our members that will present the Bake Sale and we are also thankful for those that will be taking responsibility for the Easter Tea. Remember, we are asking our members to bring two dozen colored eggs for the Easter Tea!!

On the church calendar, you will find ACYOA Fish Dinners, the Annual Church Assembly and the Yeretzgin Rosalie Lenten Retreat. And, for those interested in week day fun, try on the Tuesday Lunch Club for size!! Great lunch and even better company.

There is Bible Study and Catechism. Lot's to do.

We have been busy planning speakers and programs for our Guild. In each month for the rest of the year, we hope to bring interesting people, ideas and projects to all of you. Meetings are a good time to express your talents and fresh ideas to all of us, so that we can all benefit. So, come on! Come to the meetings and keep us fresh!!

Y. Joy Callan



Our sincere sympathy to Anita Kachadurian, on the passing of her sister, Rose Boudakian and to Rose's nieces, Debbie Zazaian and Diane Nolff.

We send our prayers and get well wishes to Jane Hovespian, who fractured her foot which is now in a cast. We wish her a complete recovery and look forward to seeing her with us soon.



Dr. Gary and Linda Assarian are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Steven, to Katy Booms. Our congratulations and good wishes to the happy couple.

Patti Stephanian Morris is the proud grandmother to Grace Elizabeth Morris, who was born on February 11<sup>th</sup>. The happy mother is Jennifer Elizabeth Morris.



*Thank You*

"I would like to thank the members of the Guild for all of the get-well cards, phone calls, and food that I received during my illness. I appreciate the thoughtfulness and the love that was shown."

– Sally Kabodian

# Important Newsletter Delivery Changes!!!



We are continually challenged by the rising costs of the postage and printing of our monthly newsletter. Therefore, we are moving toward a paperless newsletter that will be sent via email. Those of you who do not have an email address, please contact Diana Vosganian at (248) 661-1875, and a newsletter will be sent to you through the U.S. Mail.



### Easy Access to Internet Newsletter:

- **Click** onto the Church website (Stjohnarmenianchurch.org)
- **Scroll** to Parish Organizations
- **Select** Women's Guild

March 25 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday)	Yn. Rosalie Papazian Annual Retreat
April 5 <sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)	Guild meeting at 4:00 p.m. followed by ACYOA Lobster Dinner and Lenten Service
April 9 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Palm Sunday Bake Sale after Badarak
April 16 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Easter Tea following Church Service
April 22 <sup>nd</sup> (Saturday)	Manoogian Manor Easter visit
May 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Wednesday)	Guild Meeting 7:00 p.m. "Jackets for Jobs" Clothing Collection



Just a reminder to those who have not yet paid their Women's Guild dues for 2017:



Make your check payable to: St. John Women's Guild.  
Mail your dues of \$25.00 to our Assistant Treasurer:

St. John Women's Guild  
c/o Dawn Aginian  
1783 Cole Street  
Birmingham, MI 48009-7066

For questions, contact Dawn Aginian at 248-225-7176 or email at [daginian@yahoo.com](mailto:daginian@yahoo.com)

**Payment by March 31, 2017 would be greatly appreciated!**

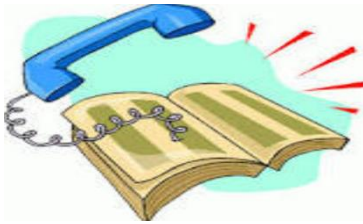
## **Palm Sunday Baking Schedule**



Please look at the schedule below and join us for a morning working along with friends as we prepare for the Palm Sunday Bake Sale. We **"NEED YOUR HELP!!"**

Tuesday, March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Khalkha	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sou Beoreg	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Katah	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## **DIRECTORY CHANGES**



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\*Please make these changes in your directory

## **Time to Clean Your Closets!**

The Women's Guild will be collecting gently used, clean, pressed, in-style clothing for Detroit area women going on job interviews. We will be donating to **Jackets for Jobs, Inc.** in Detroit.

Donated items must be on hangers, in good condition and suitable for job interviews: Dresses, Suits, Blouses, Jackets, Pants, Sweaters, Purses, Totes, Shoes, Belts, Jewelry, Coats, Jackets & Umbrellas.

**Donations can be brought to our WG meeting:** Wednesday, May 3rd at 7pm

