

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

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The Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian, Pastor

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community:

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian

The Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Deacon Rubik Mailian, Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant

Arshaluys Gharibian, Organist



Sunday Bulletin

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 desk. Make certain you fill out a contact card before you leave so we can be in touch. Enter to worship the Lord Jesus who loves you and depart with His love to serve others.

January 19, 2025

The Armenian Church Year 1474

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE OCTAVE OF THEOPHANY

Celebrant: Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian

THE LORD'S DAY - SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.

SACRED LECTIONS OF THE LITURGY

Isaiah 54:1-13, I Timothy 1:1-11, John 2:1-11

Lector: Anne Marie Ameriguan

Fr. Aren will deliver the Children's Sermon

Today's Gospel

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Hymn of the Day

During the Synaxis (on the bottom of page 12 of the Divine Liturgy book), the choir will sing the Midday Psalm and the Midday Chant proper to the Day

Resurrection Mode 7

Christ King One in essence with the Father and the Spirit
For our sake You became flesh from the Holy Virgin
Glory to You, Christ, King of glory.

By Your voluntary death, You put death to death
And by Your incorrupt resurrection You have renewed the world.
Glory to You, Christ, King of glory.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
Now and forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

By Your life-giving blood You have enlightened the Holy Church
We sing to You with the angels.
Glory to You, Christ, King of glory.

Plate Collection

Parish Council will be taking a plate collection for the church immediately after Holy Communion. Your donations remain an essential part of supporting our church's mission and activities. Online donations can also be made using the QR code.



Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Dn. Yervant Kuchukian
Badrik Jooharigian
Nadia Ayrapetyan
Joann Mashigian
Hrayr Mashigian
Charles Sansone
Nick Fernandez
Craig Tarpinian
Gerald Reeves
Jeffrey Perna

Diramayr Marmine Bagdasarian
Yeretzgin Tirouhi Boyagian
Haroutiun Bagdasarian
Dinora Boulgarian Pitz
Mary Helen Altounian
Wayne Owen Engelki
Shoghig Terjimanian
Rozann Vartoogian
Robert Buchanan
Marus Grigoryan
John Torosian

Vladimir Avetisov
Nancy Altounian
Nailya Sahakian
Ronald Seaman
Marge Aramian
Rose Lucassian
Susie Janigian
Zaven Ovian
Jan Paloian
Rose Baise

Altar Flowers

The beautiful flowers adorning the altar are presented
by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hintiryan in loving memory of **Vilda Ozdamar**.



St. Nersess Seminary in Need of a Car

Do you have a working car to donate?

St. Nersess is looking for a used car to meet its transportation needs.

Two of St. Nersess's cars recently became too expensive to repair.

If you or someone you know has a car in good working condition,
the seminary will gladly accept your donation! A letter will be provided for tax purposes.
Please call the seminary office at 914-273-0200 or email info@stnersess.edu.

Church Office Closed

The church complex will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2025,
for the commemoration of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



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REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

KAREN GHOOGASIAN PYLMAN, Newly Deceased

Requested by Michael and Rozann Vartoogian and Family

VILDA OZDAMAR, 40th Day, Mother, Mother-In-Law, Grandmother, Khnamee

Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Saro and Araxie Ozdamar, Aysel and Maximus

Mr. and Mrs. Harutyun and Natalie Kizmazoglu

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hintiryan

Mr. Zaven Hintiryan

Rev. Fr. Abraham and Yeretzgin Shakeh Ohanesian and Family

PAUL JINGOZIAN, 40th Day, Husband, Father, Papa, Brother, Cousin, Friend

Requested by Gary and Nan Tungate and Family

Michele and Billy Messner and Family

Paula and John Minni and Family

Alice Terzian

Alex Terzian

Kim, David, Mara and Myles Najarian

Kathy, Tom and Cecile Steck

Alexana, Farshad, Sophia and Avedis Nayeshpour

LOUCIN DORIAN, 3rd Year, Loving Mother

MICHAEL V DORIAN Jr, 1st Year, Loving Brother

Requested by Carolyn Dorian and Family

Michele Dorian and Family

**SUZANNE NAJARIAN, 4th Year, Beloved Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Aunt, Khnamee,
Dear Friend**

Requested by Harry Najarian

David, Kim, Mara and Myles Najarian

Karen, Brian, Lia, Stefanie and Paul Toovalian

Andrea Najarian

Barger and Crane Families

Ohanian Families

Leiger Family

Alice Terzian and Family

Alice Derderian

Margie Simonian



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REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

ALBERT SARKISIAN, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather

GEORGE DOCTORIAN, Father and Grandfather

JAMES DOCTORIAN, Uncle

Requested by Nina Sarkisian

Dr. Edward and Anna Sarkisian

Sara, Morgan, Sona and Anya Bell

Dn. Dr. Aram Sarkisian and Dr. Diana Ohanian

Linda Houhanisin

Diana and Todd Byrne, Aiden and Sophia

George Houhanisin and Dr. Sarah Johnson, Greg and Simon

Barbara Rupas

Matthew Rupas and Marilly Palettas and Iphiyenia

Lisa and Stephen Derderian

Allan, Rachel, Tyler and Emma Sarkisian

JACK HAGOP MEKJIAN

HELEN MEKJIAN

KATHERINE MEKJIAN

ANTRANIG AND NARTOUHY PEHLIVANIAN

ELIZABETH PEHLIVANIAN

OHANAS AND VARDANOUSH MEKJIAN

ELIZABETH KACHADURIAN

VIRGINIA MEKJIAN

ROSE AND DAVE GHOOGASIAN

GAIL GHOOGASIAN

Requested by Alice Mekjian

Salpi and Nishan Toroyan

Sarkis Toroyan and Family

Lucine Tarman and Family

Johanna and Gary Novak and Family

John Mekjian and Dr. Mary Elizabeth Rupp and Family

JERRY MESSELIAN, 11th Year, Father, Grandfather

CLARA MESSELIAN, 14th Year, Mother, Grandmother

Requested by Karen and Brad Mangune



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REQUIEM PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO ARE ASLEEP IN CHRIST

MARY TOOVALIAN, 12th Year

PAUL TOOVALIAN, 46th Year

Requested by Brian and Karen Toovalian and Family

GARO YEGHISSIAN, 26th Year, Father, Grandfather, Khnamee, Friend

Requested by Dr. Joyce Yeghissian and Deacon Rubik Mailian, Sevana, and Areg

Anahid Dilakian and Sarkis Ghazarian, Sevag, Hiyk, and Aren

Arax Markarian

Mars and Roobina Hagh-Nazarian and Family

Lucy Ardash and Family

FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD

We offer our prayers for the servant of God,

Eve Kristine Ezmerlian Palaian, who entered her eternal rest last week.

Her funeral was held at St. John Armenian Church on January 13, 2025.

May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon her soul.

We offer our prayers for the servant of God,

Vartoug G. Dersarkisian Karadolian, who entered her eternal rest last week.

Her funeral was held at St. John Armenian Church on January 15, 2025.

May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon her soul.



Give for the future...
...to honor the past



**ARMENIAN
AMERICAN
VETERANS'
BUILDING
RENOVATION
TIP-OFF**

Sunday, Jan. 19th
After the Divine Liturgy



A free informational open house about the past, present, and future of our community's gem, given to us in 1962 by our Armenian American Veterans

Hot dogs and light refreshments | No RSVP necessary | All are welcome!

**RSVP BY 1/15
TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT**

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WHIRLYBALL



**WEDNESDAY 1-22 7-9PM
41550 GRAND RIVER AVE
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\$20 PLAY AND EAT**

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ACYOA GASW 2025

FAMILY B I N G O

12	24	37	54	75
13	20	41	47	65
5	29	FREE	51	66
11	21	45	55	69
2	28	42	48	62

ACYOA General Assembly & Sports Weekend Fundraiser

Sunday, January 26th after Badarak in
the Grand Ballroom
details to come...

St. John Armenian Church Men's Society

Looking for 100

Good Men

Retreat topics:



- A time for reflection and spiritual renewal
- Guidance on overcoming daily challenges
- Strengthening & sustaining our faith

A retreat for young and older men

Saturday, February 1, 2025 / 8:30am - 3:30pm

St John Armenian Church Veterans Building

Including a hot Armenian breakfast and lunch

Post-retreat cocktail & light mezze reception from 3:30-5:30pm

This is an interactive, spirit-building retreat about what's on our minds!

Facilitators:



Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian

Reverend Father Hratch Sargsyan



\$40 per person | To reserve, call or text Dan Cristiano (313.938.4215)

Forgiving someone who has done you wrong
gives you happiness

An important part of being a Christian
is enjoying your life as a Christian

JOIN US AND HELP SORT BADLY NEEDED
MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT
TO BE USED LOCALLY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

SJAC VOLUNTEER DAY AT WORLD MEDICAL RELIEF

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY



Saturday, February 8, 9:00am-11:30am

CONTACT GREG OR EDITH BAISE AT (313) 673-3325

OR EBASE@UMICH.EDU

21725 MELROSE AVE, SOUTHFIELD, MI, 48075

Super Bowl Mezze Platter

Sunday, February 9th, 2025

Pickup from Main Kitchen between 12:30-1:30 pm

10 Item Mezze Platter

Hummus, Basturma, Vospov Kufteh, Eech,
Brick & Feta Cheese 6 Sarma, 6 Spinach Pie
Homemade Pickled Turnips & Olives, Bag of Pita
\$60.00

Text your name and order to Dan Cristiano (313-938-4215)
Prepared by the St. John Men's Society

Men's Society invites you to another Euchre Night!

February 28th, 2025

\$25/person (\$30 after February 21st)

6pm - Registration and Dinner

Games begin at 7pm

Reservations: Call/text Michael Toomajian (248-303-9744)

or email - michaeltoomajian@gmail.com

Cash prizes, door prize, and raffle (must be 18 years old to win)

Cash bar

A Grand Brunch Buffet

Proceeds go to the Hye Camp Scholarship Fund
St. John's Men's Society - Starting 2025 off right!

Sunday, February 16, 2025 - after the Divine Liturgy

Fresh Fruit

Cut Assorted Seasonal Fruits

Chocolate Fountain

Cookies, Graham Crackers, Pretzels, Bananas, Marshmallows,
Pineapple

Main Buffet

Basturma and Eggs, Sausage, Hashbrowns, Pancakes, Pasta

Omelets and Eggs Station

Omelets or Made to Order Eggs, Assorted Cheeses,
Vegetables & Cut Meats

Belgian Waffle Station

Made to Order Belgian Waffles with Assorted Toppings

Beverage Station

Juices, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Bottled Water

Adults \$20.00, Students \$10.00, 6 and under free
Reservations: Call/text Dan Cristiano (313-938-4215)

ST. JOHNS WOMENS GUILD
VALENTINE'S DAY

College Care Package



**SEND A WARM HUG FROM ST. JOHN'S TO
YOUR LOVED ONES IN COLLEGE OR THE
MILITARY**

BOX WILL INCLUDE ARMENIAN & TRADITIONAL BAKED GOODS,
SNACKS. GIFT CARD, INSPIRATIONAL GIFT AND MORE!

SUBMIT BY:
1/25/2025

**SCAN TO:
REGISTER NAME**



PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION TO HELP COVER
THE EXPENSES OF THE CARE PACKAGES

SCAN TO: DONATE



HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:
KARENKAZARIAN@YAHOO.COM



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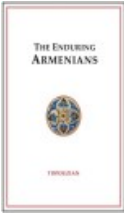
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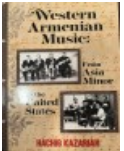
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Visit the Parish Bookstore

The Parish Bookstore is open during Church Office hours and on Sundays after Divine Liturgy



NEW: The Enduring Armenians: A Series of Essays on the Armenian Civilization was published by the Levon Topouzian Book Publication Trust. Multiple scholars and the translators provide an overview of 5000 years of Armenian history, its language, literature, music, and culture, its wars, the Armenian Church, the Genocide, and the Soviet era- in a book of over 700 pages. Alice Nigoghosian, Project Director and Publishing Consultant. SC - \$30.00



NEW, Western Armenian Music: From Asia Minor to the United States By Hachig Kazarian HC \$40.00, SC - \$30.00



NEW, "Zabelle Panosian" (I am the servant of your voice) By Harout Arakelian, Harry Kezelian III, Ian Nagoski Story of the life of Zabelle Panosian, the most popular female classical Armenian singer during the Genocide era who toured the U.S. raising funds for the victims. - \$15.00 (CD included)



ARMENIA - THE LONE STONE
A Traveler's Guide
From Ancient Stones to Modern Wonders
An Immersive Journey Through Armenia's Cities, History, Arts, and Culture. HC - \$30
By David Karamian



Lavash—Armenian Recipe Book
By Kate Leahy, John Lee,
Ara Zada HC - \$25.00



Women's Guild's cookbook:
Armenian Cuisine - Preserving Our
Heritage, HC - \$25.00



An Armenian Trilogy
By Dan Yessian
CD/DVD - \$25.00



New: Western Armenian
Children's book
A little rabbit learns how to stand
out in a big family
Khigar Nabasdaguh HC - \$17.00
By Michael Pifer

New items from Armenia just arrived.

Stop by and browse!

A large variety of Michael Aram pieces are now available

10% off all Michael Aram

Candles
\$75



White Orchid Cocktail
Napkin Holder
\$75



Noah's Ark Nut Dish
\$130



**New Armenian Cross
Ornament, Size 5"x3.5"
\$50**



The best selection of Armenian books and CDs plus many gift items: jewelry, Armenian crosses, key chains, cookbooks and many "Made in Armenia" products. Table runners, tablecloths, soccer balls, shawls and scarves from Armenia and much more!

General Information

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

After hours in an emergency, please contact:

Fr. Aren's Mobile: (773) 457-4122 e-mail: FrAren@sjachurch.org

Parish Administrator's Mobile: (248) 770-2200

Visits to the Hospitalized and Homebound Please phone the Church Office when you or someone you love is admitted to the hospital and would like a visit from the Pastor. If you have an upcoming surgery, please consider requesting your name to be included in the "Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized" list. Those who are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home should phone the Church Office.

Home Blessing If you would like the Pastor to visit your home and offer a home blessing, please contact the Church Office.

Baptism Parents may prepare for the baptism of their child before he or she is born.

For more information, phone the Church Secretary. We encourage parents to baptize their children between 40 days and 3 months.

Marriage Please make sure to confirm your wedding date with the Pastor before booking your reception hall. Phone the Church Secretary at least nine months in advance of your proposed wedding date.

Parish Membership If you are interested in becoming a steward of the St. John parish, please speak to a Parish Council member on Sunday, or phone the Church Office.

Sunday Bulletin Announcements for the Sunday Bulletin are due in the Church Office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday preceding the date of service.

Requiem Requests may be submitted to the Church Office by mail, phone or email to office@sjachurch.org no later than 5:00 p.m. Wednesday preceding the Sunday. Request forms are available in the Church Lobby. Requiem may be offered every Sunday of the year except for the five Tabernacle Feast Days.

Veils In the Armenian Church, it is customary for women and girls to wear head coverings when attending the Divine Liturgy, particularly when partaking in Holy Communion. If you don't possess a veil but desire one, kindly approach a Parish Council member who can assist you in obtaining one.

The Kiss of Peace

The GIVER says: Kreesdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

Christ is revealed amongst us.

The RECEIVER says: Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.

Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

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