

St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit

Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian, Pastor

Clergy residing within the St. John parish and community:

Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian

Reverend Father Abraham Ohanesian

Pastoral Intern Reverend Father Vazgen Andreasyan



Sunday Bulletin

September 28, 2025

Armenian Church Year 1475

Feast of the Holy Cross of Varak

Celebrant: Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian

Morning Service - 9:00 a.m. | Divine Liturgy - 9:45 a.m.

Proverbs 3:18-26, Isaiah 65:22-25, Galatians 6:14-18, Matthew 24:30-36

Lector: Yerchanig Callan

Welcome!

We welcome you to the Divine Liturgy (*Soorp Badarak*) and invite all who are confirmed in the Armenian Church, and also those whose churches are in communion with ours, 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 entrance desks. Please also fill out a contact card before you leave. Enter to worship the Lord Jesus, who loves you, and depart with His love in order to serve others.

The Kiss of Peace

The GIVER says:

Kreesdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ:

Christ is revealed amongst us.

The RECEIVER says:

Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Kreesdosee.

Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:

Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

Plate Collection: Today's collection for the church will be taken during *Badarak* immediately following communion. Your donations remain an essential part of how we support our parish's mission. You can also make an online plate donation through our website, or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone.



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St. John Komitas Choir

Deacon Rubik Mailian, Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant
Arshaluys Gharibian, Organist

Midday Hymn

Sung during the Synaxis (at the bottom of page 12 in the Divine Liturgy book)

Holy Cross of Varak

To You, O Christ. Who bestowed on the Catholic Church
This victorious, precious sign received by God,
We always send up praise in the highest.
This cross by Your will, O Christ
And by the power of the almighty Holy Spirit;
Lifted up by the assemblies of angels;
Is seen resting on Mount Varak.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
Now and forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.
Come, O ye people, Let us bow down before this divine and holy sign,
Lifting up our hands united in holiness.

Today's Gospel Reading

Mark 24:30-36

"Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory; and he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away till all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only."

Men's Society Outreach

Continuing their partnership with Motor City Mitten Mission, the Men's Society of St. John Armenian Church prepared hot lunches twice in June for the homeless of Metro Detroit. The Men's Society would like to thank:

Armen Kabodian

"The Hye Fives" (Judge Lisa and Garo Asadoorian

Christine, Nicole and Noah Matoian)

for their donations to underwrite the cost of the lunches.

We are in need of volunteers to help us prepare meals twice a month in the main kitchen. If you are available and would like to help, please contact Harry Dulger at 313-333-6915.

Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Badrik Jooharigian	Diramayr Marmine Bagdasarian	Samvel Arakelyan
Nadia Ayrapetyan	Dirahayr Mihran Parsamyan	Nancy Altounian
Azniv-Ann Kzirian	Yeretzgin Tirouhi Boyagian	Marus Grigoryan
Vladimir Avetisov	Mary Helen Altounian	Nailya Sahakian
Joann Mashigian	Wayne Owen Engelki	Rose Lucassian
Charles Sansone	Shoghig Terjimanian	Marge Aramian
Hrayr Mashigian	Valera Ayrapetyan	Zaven Ovian
Nick Fernandez	Sonia Kalfayan	Jan Paloian
	Rose Baise	

Memorial Tea

Today's Fellowship Tea is hosted in loving memory of **Craig Tarpinian** by Lisa and Matthew Tarpinian.

Everyone is welcome to attend after Divine Liturgy.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is seeking dedicated and enthusiastic stewards to run for election for Parish Council, Auditing Committee and Nominating Committee at the 2026 Annual Parish Assembly! This is a wonderful opportunity to take an active role in the leadership of SJAC, guiding the direction of our parish. If you would like to volunteer, or would like to nominate someone, please contact:

Paul Andonian, Howard Atesian, Marilyn Dadian, Kim Najarian
or **Jim Stambouliau**

Fallen Asleep in the Lord

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Cnarick (Cnar) Ebrahimian**, who entered her eternal rest last week. Her funeral was held at St. John Armenian Church on September 26, 2025. May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon her soul.

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Ara Vartabedian**, who entered his eternal rest last week. His funeral was held at St. John Armenian Church on September 27, 2025. May Christ our Lord shed His eternal light upon his soul.





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Requiem Prayers for the Souls of those asleep in Christ

CRAIG TARPINIAN, 40th Day, Husband, Father, Brother, Uncle, Son-In-Law, Brother-In-Law

Requested by Lisa and Matthew Tarpinian
Mike and Cindy Zavadil
Rick and Jeanette Smith
Ryan Zavadil
Dr. Kevin and Mrs. Holly Orr and Lila and Chloe
Mark and Jennifer Polega
Jerry and Dana Redoutey and Ella and Madelyn
Scott Smith
Margaret Amroian
Ron and Sue Nash
Lori Kontry
Simon Javizian

CRAIG TARPINIAN, Beloved Teacher

Requested by Garo Asadoorian
Noah Matoian

CRAIG TARPINIAN, 40th Day

Chris and Patricia Makaroff

VIVIAN KORKOIAN JAMIAN, 40th Day, Mother, Grandmother, Aunt and Khnamee

Requested by Doug and June Jamian and Family
Brian and Shirley Jamian and Family
Edward and Yvonne Korkoian and Family
Gloria Korkoian
George and Karen Nigoghosian and Family
David and Marianne Dardarian and Family
Alice and Sandi Nigoghosian

SARKIS AND KHANEM KORKOIAN, Grandparents

EDWARD AND FRANCES KORKOIAN, Parents

ROSE KALAJIAN, Aunt

JACK AND ALICE KORKOIAN, Uncle and Aunt

MANUEL JAMIAN, Uncle

LEE JAMIAN, Cousin

Requested by Edward and Yvonne Korkoian and Family
Gloria Korkoian
George and Karen Nigoghosian and Family
David and Marianne Dardarian and Family
Alice and Sandi Nigoghosian

OHANES YERANOSIAN, Husband

ARDASH AKSARELIAN, Father

JAYRAN AKSARELIAN, Mother

Requested by Juliet Yeranorian



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Requiem Prayers for the Souls of those asleep in Christ

GARY EZMERLIAN, 1st Year, Dear Father, Brother-In-Law, Uncle, Grandfather and Great Grandfather

EVE EZMERLIAN, 1st Year, Dear Mother, Sister, Sister-In-Law, Aunt, Grandmother and Great Grandmother

CHARLES PALAIAN, 30th Year, Dear Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather

VICTORIA PALAIAN, 20th Year, Dear Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother

Requested by Ani Ezmerlian

Taline, Ethan and Owen Rosendall

Collin and Gretchen Rosendall

Steven, Carol, Maria, and Angela Palaian

Lisa and Christopher Michetti

Julia and Peter Crane

Chuck, Terry, Brent, and Erika Palaian

Sally Palaian and Gary Haelywyn

Laurie, Keith, and Brian Neher

Bradley, Julie, Chase, Bentley, Mackenzie, and Everleigh Neher

Sheri, Justin, Jackson, and Joel Meador

Gary, Debbie, Abigail, and Simeon Ezmerlian

Autumn and Wes Swindle, and Arya Ezmerlian

GARY EZMERLIAN, 1st Year, Dear Husband, Father, Brother-In-Law, Grandparent, Uncle

Requested by Ani Ezmerlian

Steven, Carol, Maria and Angela Palaian

Julia and Peter Crane

Chuck, Terry, Brent and Erika Palaian

Sally Palaian and Gary Haelewyn

Keith, Laurie and Brian Neher

Gary, Debbie, Abigail and Simeon Ezmerlian

Autumn and Wes Swindle and Arya Ezmerlian

Taline, Ethan and Owen Rosendall

Collin and Gretchen Rosendall

Lisa and Christopher Michetti

Bradley, Julie, Chase, Bentley, Mackenzie and Everleigh Neher

Sheri, Justin, Jackson and Joel Meador

GARY EZMERLIAN, 1st Year, Dear Nephew

EVE EZMERLIAN, 1st Year, Dear Niece

CHARLES PALAIAN, 30th Year, Dear Brother-In-Law

VICTORIA PALAIAN, 20th Year, Dear Sister-In-Law

Requested by Sharon Palaian

SHAKAY MOORADIAN, 3rd Year

Requested by Phillip, Catiana, and Sion Mooradian

Parish Organization News and Events

COFFEE WITH HAYR SOORP

Join Us on Zoom!

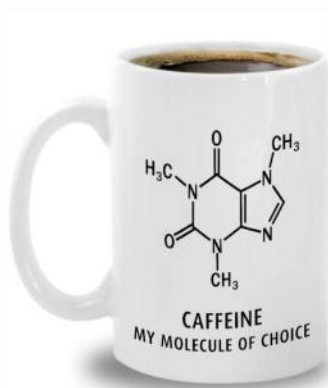
Take a break, grab your favorite cup of coffee, and log on for a half hour relaxed and meaningful conversation with Fr. Aren.

Thursday, October 2, at 7:45pm

(Day, date, and time will change week to week)

This is a chance to:

- Connect with fellow parishioners
- Ask questions or share thoughts
- Hear reflections from Fr. Aren
- Simply enjoy each other's company



Scan QR code below for zoom link



All are welcome - come as you are!



2025 BAZAAR Raffle

Raffle License #R82821

Only 250 tickets available
\$100 per ticket

Up to \$10,000 in total payouts

- 1st Prize = 25% of ticket sales
- 2nd Prize = 10% of ticket sales
- 3rd Prize = 5% of ticket sales

If all 250 tickets are sold, payouts will be

\$6250 for 1st, \$2500 for 2nd or \$1250 for 3rd

Guaranteed payouts of \$2500, \$1000 & \$500 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

Winners announced after Church on Sunday,
October 5

You do not have to be present to win.

1. Contact Andi Sheena for available tickets (1-250)
2. Make online payments to the Church via Abundant
<https://abundant.co/stjohnnarmenianchurch/raffle>
3. Select Fund using the drop down menu choice "Bazaar Raffle"
Or, Text 73256 & note SJAC Raffle in the message box from
your cell phone (links you directly to the site).

Contact Andi Sheena for ticket numbers
586-914-1342 / andisheena@gmail.com

BAZAAR

2025 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm Bazaar Food Services

5:30 pm - 10 pm Vendors, Fine Art Show, Country Store, Hye Bar, Raffle

5:30 pm - 10 pm Detroit Retro Gaming Show Pop-up

6:30 pm - 11 pm Johnites Band

SATURDAY

12 pm - 8:30 pm Bazaar Food Services

12 pm - 10 pm Vendors, Fine Art Show, Country Store, and Raffle

12 pm - 2 pm Immunization Clinic

12 pm - 4 pm Blood Drive (Veterans Building)

1 pm - 3 pm Mobile Health Unit (Parking Lot)

1 pm - 4 pm Kids Zone: Pony Rides, Pumpkin Decorating,
Cider & Donuts, Southfield Fire Department (Outside lawn)

1pm - 9pm Detroit Retro Gaming Show Pop-up

3 pm - 6 pm Ara Topouzian Trio

6:30 pm - 11 pm Nigosian Band

SUNDAY

12 pm - 2 pm - Limited Bazaar Food Menu, Country Store, Raffle and Hye Bar

1 pm - 1:45 pm - Baking Demonstration Y. Roberta Kochakian

1:45 pm Tin Can Raffle & \$100 Raffle Drawings

Come for the kebab, stay for the memories.





THE FINE ARTS COMMITTEE OF ST. JOHN
ARMENIAN CHURCH IS SPONSORING A FINE ARTS
EXHIBITION AND SALE OF PAINTINGS BY A SELECT
GROUP OF ARMENIAN ARTISTS
(DURING THE BAZAAR)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD (ST. VARTAN ROOM)

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

12:00 PM - 10:00 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH

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22001 NORTHWESTERN HWY
SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075
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16th Annual Health Fair and Blood Drive
St John Armenian Church
22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield Mi 48075
Saturday October 4, 2025



Annual Immunization Clinic with free Flu Shots: In the Tahlij Room directly off the Church front lobby Time: 11:00 AM-2:00PM

- Courtesy of Merriman Drugs, Livonia, presented by owner, Pharmacist Hanadi Thomas and her staff all generously donating their time.
- **Covid and Shingle RSV Shots:** Available by appointment only. So please bring your Medicare or Prescription Insurance Cards.
For appointments or questions call: Hanadi Thomas at (734) 427-3430

Wayne Health Mobile Unit from Wayne State University: In the Parking Lot 1 PM-3PM

Presented by World Medical Relief in partnership with the Wayne State University, Emergency Medicine Research Program

We are thrilled that this partnership with World Medical Relief will allow us to offer FREE health services to anyone in our community who wants and needs them.

The following services will be offered:

- Pulse Ox
- Weight
- Temperature
- Lipid Panel Testing (Cholesterol)
- Kidney Function Testing
- HbA1C Testing (Diabetics)
- High Blood Pressure screening
- Vitals Screening

All services are FREE. No insurance or ID required. The Wayne Health workers do ask that those seeking services do provide some contact method, preferably a cell/mobile phone number, so that results and/or reminders can be provided for follow-up. For more information about any of these services, please contact Edith Baise at (313) 673-3325

Annual Versiti Blood Drive: In the Veterans Building Time: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Annual Versiti Blood Drive: The need for blood donations has never been greater so, as always. St. John Armenian Church Community lets show our support and donate blood! Contact Chairperson, Edith Baise to set up your appointment or questions in general. **Please contact Edith at (313) 673-3325 or by email at ebaise@umich.edu**



St. John Armenian Church

BIBLE STUDY

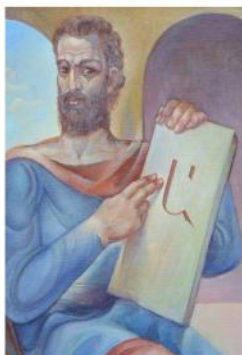
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OCTOBER 6, 2025

TWICE A MONTH,
IN-PERSON
MONDAYS FROM 7:00PM - 8:30PM

WESTERN ARMENIAN FOR ADULTS



ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH IS OFFERING TWO
10-WEEK WESTERN ARMENIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

Do you want
to speak
and write
Armenian?

Ayo!

Tuesdays, Sep. 23 - Dec. 2, at St. John Conference Room

- **Beginner - 6:00-7:30pm**, Learn vocabulary and grammar, focus on basic reading and writing and daily conversations.
- **Intermediate - 4:30-6:00pm**, Learn advanced vocabulary and grammar. Reading, writing, and advanced dialogues, individual and group conversation projects.

Instructor: Hermine Dervartanian, an experienced Armenian language instructor who has worked as a translator in Lebanon and the United States.

Returning/continuing students always welcome!
A second Beginner's session may be opened pending interest.

Please send your registration form and a check
made out to St. John Armenian Church
to the church office:

22001 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield, MI 48075

Questions: (248) 569-3405

Registration fee: \$125/Class materials: \$20



REGISTRATION FORM

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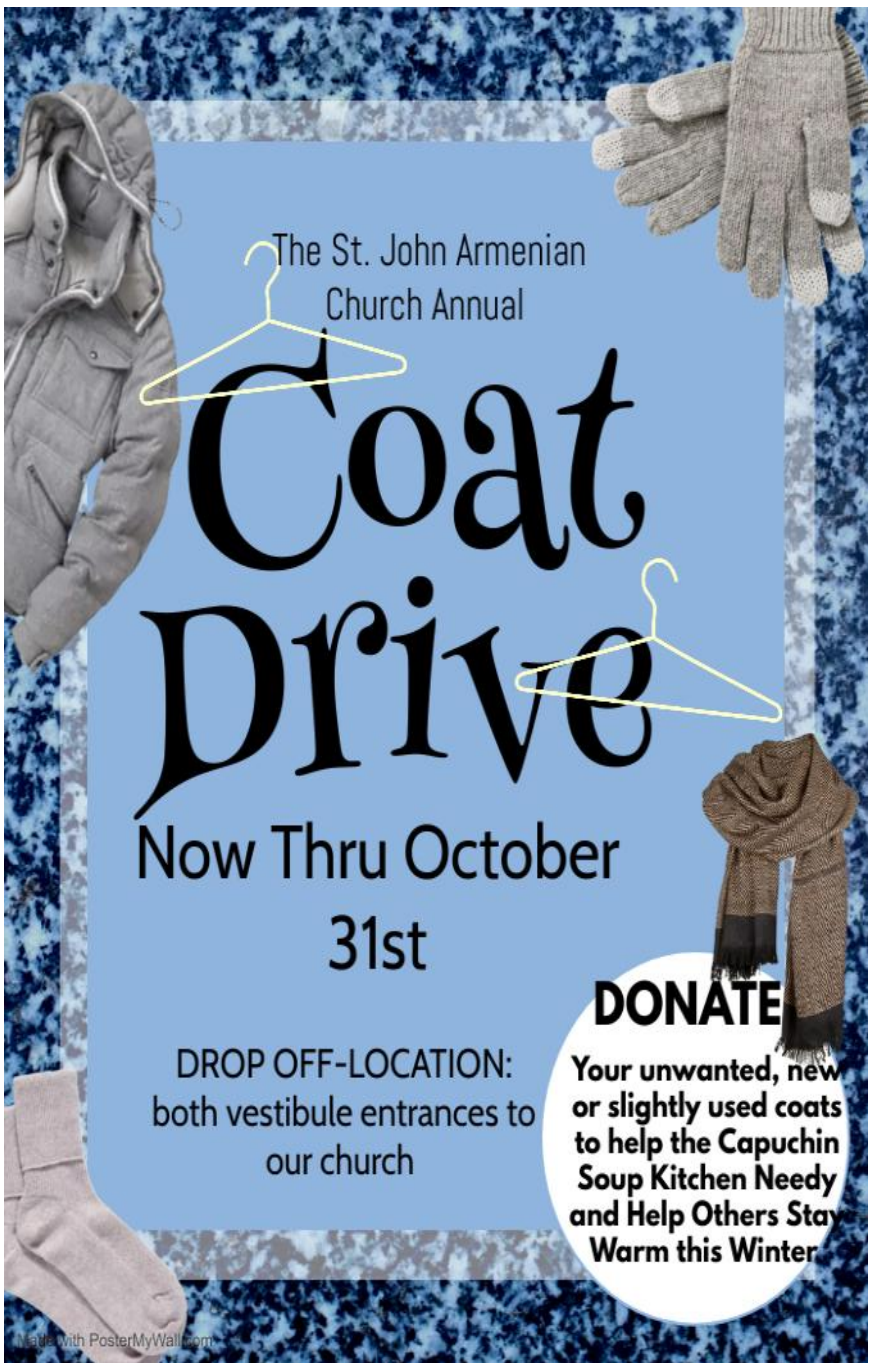
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BEST TIME TO CONTACT YOU: _____

EMAIL: _____

LANGUAGE LEVEL (CHECK ONE): ☐ BEGINNER ☐ INTERMEDIATE



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DN. RUBIK MAILIAN**

ACOLYTE TRAINING

SCHEDULE

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2025

9:00AM-11:00AM

OCTOBER 11, 25

NOVEMBER 8

DECEMBER 6, 13

**Contact Deacon Rubik
rubik@sjachurch.org**



The talk explores the multifaceted lives of Armenia's national minority communities, tracing their historical contributions and examining the ongoing challenges of cultural preservation in contemporary Armenia. It further considers the complexities of identity formation within a post-Soviet society, highlighting both the remarkable resilience of these communities and the vulnerabilities they continue to face.



NATIONAL MINORITIES IN ARMENIA

Identity, Heritage, and Current Dynamics



Dr. Anahit Khosroeva is an ethnic Assyrian historian and genocide scholar born in Armenia. Her research focuses on the history of Armenian, Assyrian, and Greek genocides perpetrated in the Ottoman Empire between 1894 and 1923. An advocate for genocide recognition and prevention, Dr. Khosroeva has published and presented extensively worldwide in multiple languages and advances accountability through international human rights law.

MONDAY | OCTOBER 13 | 2025 | 7:00 PM

ST. JOHN ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

ST. VARTAN ROOM

22001 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY, SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075

Annual Armenian Independence Day Lecture



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Light refreshments will be served

The University of Michigan-Dearborn does not
necessarily endorse the speaker's views

EUCHRE @ ST JOHN'S!

**St John Armenian Church - Men's Society
Welcomes Everyone to Another**

EUCHRE NIGHT!!

Friday, October 17, 2025

\$25 per Person \$30 after Oct. 10th

6-7pm Registration & Dinner

Tour The Manoogian Museum 5:45-6:45

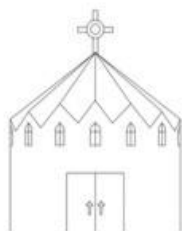
7:00pm Games Begin

Reservations: Call / Text: Michael Toomajian at 248-303-9744
or Email: michaeltroomajian@gmail.com

Cash Prizes, Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, Cash Bar

(Must be 18 yrs. old to win)

St. John Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield Mi 48075



ST. JOHN ARMENIAN CHURCH LITTLE SAINTS

JOIN US SATURDAYS AT 10:00 AM

SEPTEMBER 27

OCTOBER 18

NOVEMBER 15

DECEMBER 20



Little Saints is a parish ministry for children from birth up to age four with monthly lessons led by Fr. Aren.

The Little Saints Nursery is open Sunday mornings during Church School from 10:15 AM to 12:00 PM.

For more information, email sjlittlesaints@gmail.com

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Saturday, October 18, 1:00pm-3:00pm

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

OR EBaise@umich.edu

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Sunday, November 9, 2025 • 12:30 pm

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November 1, 2025



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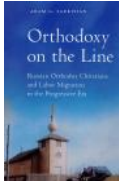
Featured Items



Armenia: The Lone Stone
A Traveler's Guide From Ancient
Stones to Modern Wonders,
by David Karamian (HC \$25)



NEW, Armenia-The Lone Stone
by David Karamian (HC \$70)
Hardcover coffee table book
documenting history of cultural
landmarks



Orthodoxy on the Line by
Aram G. Sarkisian,
HC \$50.00



New - Khigar Nabasdaguh,
by Michael Pifer (HC \$17)
Western Armenian children's book
about a little rabbit who learns

These and many other Michael Aram pieces now available!

Candles



White Orchid Cocktail
Napkin Holder



Noah's Ark
Nut Dish



New! - Armenian Cross
Ornament, 5"x3.5", \$50



New Jewelry from Armenia

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General Parish Information

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am - 4pm

Parish Secretary: Gayane Hovhanissyan | (248) 569-3405 | office@sjachurch.org

In an after-hours emergency, please contact:

Fr. Aren - Cell: (773) 457-4122 | fraren@sjachurch.org

Administrative Consultant - Cell: (248) 917-6645 | admin@sjachurch.org

Visits to the hospitalized and homebound: Please call the church office if you or someone you love has been hospitalized and would appreciate a visit from the pastor. If you have an upcoming surgery, please consider adding your name to our prayer list for the sick or hospitalized. Those who are homebound and desire to receive Holy Communion should contact the church office.

Home Blessings: If you would like the pastor to visit your home and conduct a home blessing service, please contact the church office.

Baptisms: Parents may prepare for their child's baptism before they are born. For more information, proceed to our website for Baptismal guidelines and application: [Baptism Guidelines – St. John Armenian Church](#)

Weddings: Please contact the church office at least nine months before your anticipated wedding date. We ask that you please make sure to confirm your date with the pastor before booking a reception location.

For more information, proceed to our website for Wedding guidelines and application: [Wedding Guidelines – St. John Armenian Church](#)

Requiem Prayers (*Hokehankist*): Names may be submitted to the church office by mail, phone, email, or via the church website **no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday** preceding the Sunday when prayers are requested. Requiem prayers may be offered any Sunday except for the five Tabernacle Feast Days. To submit an online request, proceed to our website [Requiem Service \(*Hokihankist*\) – St. John Armenian Church](#)

Veils: In the Armenian Church, it is customary for women and girls to wear head coverings when attending the Divine Liturgy, and particularly when receiving Holy Communion. If you do not have a head covering, but wish to obtain one, kindly approach a parish council member.

Sunday Bulletin: Announcements for the print bulletin and e-Bulletin are due to the church office **no later than 5 p.m. Wednesday**.

Parish Membership: If you are interested in becoming part of the St. John parish stewardship program, please speak with any parish council member, contact the church office, or visit stjohnsarmenianchurch.org/membership/

St. John Parish Calendar

For flyers with further information on these and other parish events, scan this QR code to view our e-Bulletin.

You can also find it using your web browser at:
www.stjohnsarmenianchurch.org/sunday-bulletin/



September 30 - Western Armenian Classes (Intermediate/Beginner)

4:30 - 7:30pm

October 2 - Coffee with Hayr Soorp, 7:45pm, Zoom

October 3 - 5 - Bazaar 2025

October 3 - 5 - Fine Arts Exhibition and Sale

6:00pm - 10:00pm - St. Vartan Room (Oct. 3rd)

12pm - 10:00pm (Oct. 4th), 12pm - 3:00pm (Oct. 5th)

October 4 - The 16th Annual Health Fair and Blood Drive

12:00pm - 4:00pm - Armenian American Veterans' Building

October 6 - Bible Study, Conference Room

October 9 - Hye Doon, Backyard Bonfire - 7:00pm - SJAC Front Lawn

October 11 - Acolyte Training, 9:00am - 11:00am - Sanctuary

October 13 - Garj Talk - National Minorities in Armenia (Dr. Anahit Khosroeva)

7:00pm - St. Vartan Room

October 17 - Men's Society Euchre Night , 6:00pm

October 18 - Little Saints Program, 10:00 - 11:00am - Ararat Room

October 18 - World Medical Relief - 1:00 - 3:00pm

21725 Melrose Ave. Southfield, MI 48075

November 9 - America the Beautiful (Veteran's Building Renovation Project)

After Badarak - St. Vartan Room

Bazaar 2025 Is Almost Here!

October 3 - 5, 2025

You're Invited to Join Us!

Help our community prepare delicious Armenian baked goods for our **Annual Bazaar!**

No experience is necessary - everyone is welcome!

Wear comfortable shoes and come ready to enjoy great company and even better camaraderie.

All hands are good hands, and we truly look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Baking Dates:

Monday, September 29, 5pm - 8pm, Khadaif with Ygn Roberta and Bourma with Terry

Tuesday, September 30, Yalanchi Sarma