

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



Sunday Bulletin

March 29, 2026
Armenian Church Year 1475

Palm Sunday

Celebrant: Very Reverend Father Aren Jebejian

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

Song 1:1-2:3, Zechariah 9:9-15, Philippians 4:4-7, Matthew 20:29-21:17

Fr. Aren will deliver the Children's Sermon

Lector: Sevana Mailian

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.

Special Plate Collection

Today, in honor of ACYOA Day, members of the ACYOA Seniors will be taking a plate collection for the ACYOA. This collection will take place during the hymn "*Amen yev unthokvooyt koom*" (p.39).

Plate Collection

Today's collection for the church will be taken during *Badarak*. 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 QR code with your smartphone.





St. John Komitas Choir

Deacon Rubik Mailian, Director of Sacred Music and Pastoral Assistant

Midday Hymn

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

Palm Sunday

The Lord reigneth;

He is clothed with majesty.

The eternal Word of the Father

Who rests on the Cherubim;

On this day sits on a young colt;

Blessed is the unconquerable King who comes!

The Son before all ages

Who sits on the four faced living creatures;

On this day is glorified by the elders and children;

Blessed is the unconquerable King who comes!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

Now and for ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Come, you new nations

With the countless hosts of the bodiless;

Let us give Him glory with sweet sounding loud song;

Blessed is the unconquerable King who comes!

Special Thanks

We would like to thank *Mr. Stephen Evarian* for the beautiful individual hand made palm crosses being distributed today.

Prayers for the Sick and Hospitalized

Badrik Jooharigian	Imprisoned Bishops and	Samvel Arakelyan
Andre' J. Gregory	Clergymen in Armenia	Yelena Zakaryan
Vladimir Avetisov	Diramay Marmine Bagdasarian	Nancy Altounian
Charles Sansone	Dirahayr Mihran Parsamyan	Marus Grigoryan
Hrayr Mashigian	Yeretzgin Tirouhi Boyagian	Nailya Sahakian
Nick Fernandez	Lara Roche Sarmanian	Chris Papazian
Sonia Kalfayan	Mary Helen Altounian	Rose Lucassian
Jan Paloian	Shoghig Terjimanian	Marge Aramian
Edith Baise	Valera Ayrapetyan	Zaven Ovian
Rose Baise	Charles Vanerian	

Today's Gospel Reading

Matthew 20:29-21:17

And as they went out of Jericho, a great crowd followed him. And behold, two blind men sitting by the roadside, when they heard that Jesus was passing by, cried out, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!" The crowd rebuked them, telling them to be silent; but they cried out the more, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!" and Jesus stopped and called them, saying, "What do you want me to do for you?" They said to him, "Lord, let our eyes be opened." And Jesus in pity touched their eyes, and immediately they received their sight and followed him.

And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee."

And Jesus entered the temple of God and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you make it a den of robbers."

And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant; and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings you have brought perfect praise?'" And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

Memorial Day of Easter (*Merelotz*)

Hokehankisd (Requiem Service) for the repose of the souls of the departed, will not be offered on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

Requests for *Hokehankisd* will be fulfilled on Monday, April 6 at 11am.

It is the tradition to remember all deceased loved ones the day after a major feast day known as *Merelotz*.

Please submit the full name of the person or persons you wish to have remembered either typed or electronically sent to office@sjachurch.org or call the church office by Monday, April 6, before 10:00am at 248-569-3405.

An offering from your heart would be appreciated.

Donations Needed for Easter Altar Candles

We are still in need of a donor to donate one pair of large beeswax candles located on the bema floor beside our altar are in need of replacement. We invite you to prayerfully consider making a donation toward these liturgical items.

Gifts may be offered in memory or honor of a loved one, or to mark a special occasion. A minimum donation of \$250 will sponsor a pair of wax candles.

Donors will be acknowledged in the Sunday Bulletin.

If you are interested in contributing, please contact the Church Office for more information.

Veterans Building Renovation Fundraising

Our goal is to renovate our dedicated space to honor those who served and to expand our community outreach.

Renovation Goal **\$ 500,000**

Current Donations **\$ 131,227**

Funding Needed **\$ 368,773**

As of March 6, 2026.

Help us reach our goal!

Donate today by scanning the QR code.



Excludes Apostolic Society's funding \$470,647 for Foundation, Roof, and Window repairs/replacements since 2021 and Marie Vanerian's \$50,000 donation to the 2025 Detroit ACYOA Sports Weekend of which ~\$38,500 used for Gym refreshing.

Fallen Asleep in the Lord

We offer our prayers for the servant of God, **Mary Andonian**, who entered her eternal rest last week. Her funeral was held at

St. John Armenian Church on March 25, 2026.

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

PRIMATE'S PASTORAL VISIT

Over the weekend of May 28 - June 1, His Grace Bishop Mesrop Parsamyan will be visiting the St. John Armenian Church Community.

save the date

May 28 - June 1

This special weekend will include:

- Divine Liturgy on Sunday, May 31
- Celebration of Fr. Garabed Kochakian's 50th Anniversary to the Sacred Priesthood with a banquet on Friday, May 29
- Acolyte and Sub-Deacon Ordinations
- Meetings with parish leadership

We look forward to welcoming His Grace that weekend.

Details to follow...

2026 Holy Week

Schedule of Services

MARCH 29 - PALM SUNDAY

9:00am - Morning Service

9:45am - Divine Liturgy with Church School Procession

1:30pm - Opening of the Doors Service

MARCH 31 - HOLY TUESDAY

7:00pm - Vespers remembering the Wise and Foolish Maidens

April 1 - HOLY WEDNESDAY

7:00pm - Prayers for Healing Service

APRIL 2 - GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY

10:00am - Divine Liturgy

7:00pm - Washing of the Feet Service

8:30pm - Betrayal and Passion of Our Lord

APRIL 3 - GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

11:30am - Order of the Crucifixion of Christ

7:00pm - Entombment of Our Lord Jesus Christ

APRIL 4 - GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY

4:00pm - Reading of Scriptures

5:00pm - Divine Liturgy - Jrakalooyts

APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:00am - Morning Service

9:45am - Divine Liturgy

APRIL 6 - MERELTZ

11:00am - Requiem Service

**We thank the following parishioners who donated toward
the palms for Palm Sunday, the Easter lily plants, flowers
for the Tomb of Christ, and the altar candles for
Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday**

*Levan Aghassian - In loving memory of his parents
Mushegh and Nina Agasian.*

*Elizabeth Amboian and Family - In loving memory of
her husband, Guy Amboian and daughter, Susan Amboian Curtiss.*

Scott, Renee, Cynthia, Mike & Reagan Apkarian.

*Alice and Peter Argnian - In loving memory of their
mother, Mary Argnian, father, Sam Argnian, and
grandparents, Dikran and Takouhi Koloian.*

*Alice, Adam, Judge Lisa L. and Garo Asadoorian -
Wishing God's blessings for us all.*

*Ayrapetyan Family - In loving memory of Eduard Ayrapetyan,
Ofelia Ayrapetyan, Boris Ayrapetyan, Asya Ayrapetyan, Angela
Ayrapetyan, Olga Tubolcova, Pasha Lazaryan, Arkadiy Ayrapetyan,
Mikhail Basov, Alieva Shafika, Jora Avetisyan, Angela Asatryan, Stella
Ayrapetyan, Slavik Ghukasyan, Emma Lazaryan, Elmira Ghukasyan.*

*Arthur Alan and Agnes Barsamian - In loving memory of
Matthew David Barsamian and Arthur Barsamian.*

*Roslyn Basherian - In loving memory of -
Ara Basherian and Rev. Fr. Nersess Jebejian.*

Cheryl Boyagian - In loving memory of her son, Steven Woods, Jr.

Bush Family - In loving memory of Hovhannes Bush.

Daniel and Danielle, and Karen and Kevin - In honor of the name day of their father, David Harry Dardarian; uncle, Dr. Harry Kezelian; and cousin, Harry Kezelian III and in loving memory of their grandfather, Harry Dardarian and uncle Harry Kezelian, Sr.

Margaret Derderian - In loving memory of Harry Derderian.

Lisa and Stephen Derderian - In loving memory of Nina Sarkisian.

David and Randi Dolik - In loving memory of Souren and Virginia Keoleian, Zaven and Roxie Dolik, and James Dolik.

Doyon and Carman Families - In loving memory of Harry Jr. and Rosemary Carman.

Gorosh Family, Grabowski Family, Nick Simonian, Allie Amboian, Katie Amboian - In memory of their aunt, Susan Amboian Curtiss, on the occasion of her 60th Heavenly Birthday.

Jerry Govjanian - In loving memory of deceased family members and friends.

Ardis Gregory - In loving memory of her husband, Roger Gregory.

Sarah Hagopian and Family - In loving memory of Edgar Hagopian and Takouhe Yahnian.

Dr. Khatchig and Marcia Hamamdjian - In loving memory of Hamamdjian and Gaffney deceased family members.

Anita Kachadurian and Family - In loving memory of Harry Kachadurian on his Name Day.

The Kaurala Family.

Adam, Alexandria, Eddie and Eva Kotlarek.

The Kujawa Family - In loving memory of Judith Cassel.

*Edward, Yvonne, Laura, Christopher, Shakay,
Shant and Christopher Korkoian - In loving memory of
Rev. Fr. Haroutiun Dagley, Harry B. Dardarian, Harry A. Kezelian Sr.,
Harry Asadoorian, Harry Sarkisian and Harry Mardirosian,
grandmothers and great-grandmothers Eugapere Zobian
and Yougaper Dardarian, and in Honor of David Harry Dardarian,
Dr. Harry A. Kezelian, and Harry A. Kezelian III.*

*Mariya Kushniruk - In loving memory of her father,
Ivan Ivanovich Gerba, and brothers, Vasil Gerba, Ivan Gerba.*

*Linda Lutz - In loving memory of James and Florence Ohanesian
and Diramayr Ursula Findikyan.*

*Robert, Tricia, Rayeanne, Grace and Becca Magee -
In loving memory of their parents/grandparents,
Robert and Rayeanne Magee, and John and Alice Duszczyk.*

Dr. Ida Malian - In loving memory of Ghevont and Agavnie Malian.

*Aramice and Elizabeth Malkhasian - In loving memory of
Beatrice Malkhasian.*

*Noreen and Vaughn Masropian - In loving memory of
George and Mary Kevorkian, Gerry and Lillian Masropian,
Nellie Aprahamian, Joy Masropian Maisano.*

*Matevosian and Yessayan Families - In loving memory
of their mother and grandmother Siran Matevosian.*

*Sarkis, Liwiza and Hagob Marashlian - In loving memory of
their parents, Hrant, Noyem and Onike Hagopian, and
Yakoub, Angel and Hovhannes Marashlian.*

Anonymous.

***Mike and Dolly Matoian - In loving memory of
Baghdasar and Mariam Matoian, and Nick and Helen Baltayan.***

***Galina Mazmanian - In loving memory of
her husband, Levon Mazmanian.***

***Nennette Merametdjian - In loving memory of
Vartouhi Movsessian and Alice Merametdjian.***

***Cross and Karen Mooradian - In loving memory of
the Andonian, Kralian and Mooradian deceased family members.***

***Carol Ohanesian - In loving memory
James and Florence Ohanesian and Diramayr Ursula Findikyan.***

Allison Pochas.

Jennifer Rosenthal - In loving memory of Dave and Rose Darakjian.

***Sevan Sanjian and Family - In loving memory
of their parents, Karadolian and Sanjian.***

Dr. Edward and Robin Tashjian.

***Kazar and Marina Terterian - In loving memory of their parents,
Kevork and Araxie Terterian, and Ashot and Jasmina Muradyan.***

Ronald and Kay Torigian.

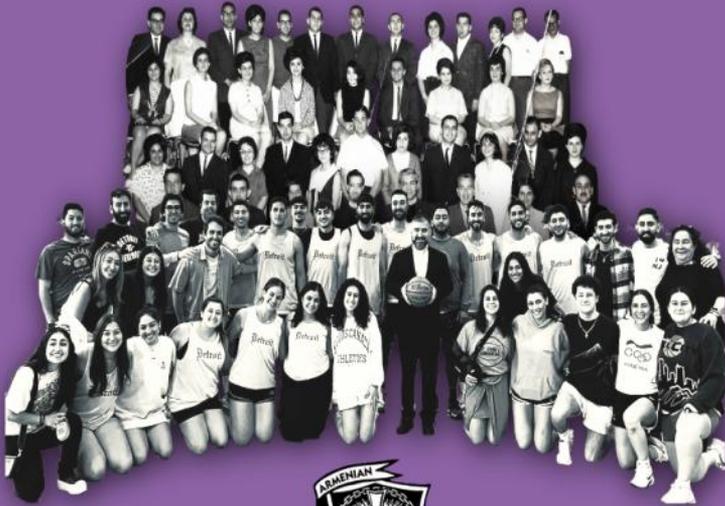
Dr. Salpi Toroyan - In loving memory of Hagop and Zaven Toroyan.

***Suzanne and Adam Joel Vahratian, Alexis, Hailey and Marisa -
In loving memory Harry and Rose Papazian; Adam Vahratian.***

***The Yarjanian Family - In loving memory
of Dr. Ara Yarjanian.***

Inviting all members, past and present:

Palm Sunday ACYOA Day



**Celebrating 80 Years of
Faith, Love, and Service**

March 29, 2026

Divine Liturgy @ 9:45 AM

Reception Following in the Cultural Hall

ST JOHN WOMEN'S GUILD

PALM SUNDAY
Bake Sale

MARCH 29

After church in the main hall.

KHATAH

CHOEREG

KHALKA

KURABIA

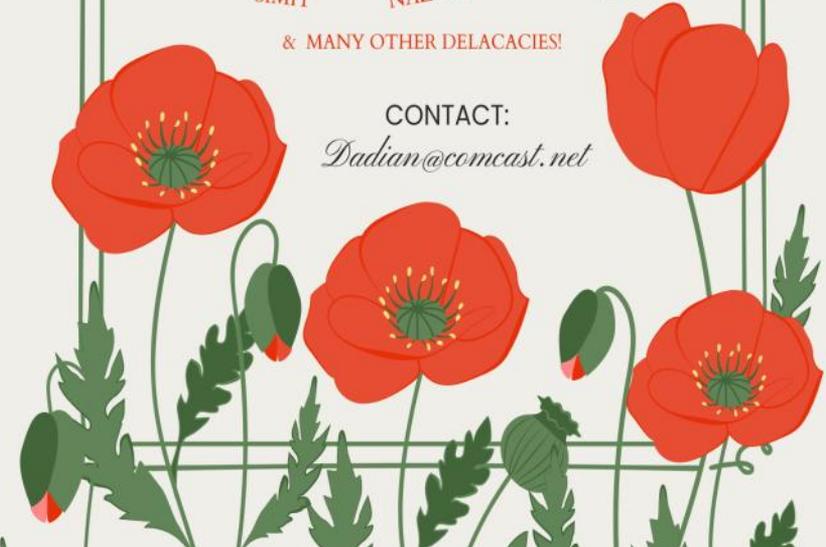
SIMIT

NAZOUNG

& MANY OTHER DELACACIES!

CONTACT:

Dadian@comcast.net





Stewardship Program

Stewardship / Membership Pledge

2026 Annual Stewardship / Membership Pledges to Support St. John Armenian Church

*"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7*

A stewardship/membership pledge is derived from one's heart and soul. It is a choice and promise to make a financial gift.

No particular monetary value is assigned to a stewardship/membership pledge. The Church nurtures everyone's spiritual well being. Yearly offerings should be determined by one's own heart.

We have received questions about how much to pledge. The information below (presented in the recent Parish Assembly meeting) provides some suggestions but are not requirements.

- \$500 - single person (equivalent to \$300 dues set in 2009)
- \$1000 - per couple (equivalent to \$600 dues set in 2009)
- \$2200 – per household could balance 2026 budget
- \$4200 - cost of operating church complex for one day

As you determine your 2026 Stewardship/Membership pledge, look into your heart and recall all the services and activities our Church offers for the community. At a minimum, we are very blessed to have Divine Liturgy every Sunday.

How to Make a Pledge:

Checks can be made payable to: **St. John Armenian Church** (Your contribution is tax deductible)

Donations can also be made online

1. Simply go to the QR code
2. Choose "Give Once" button to pay an annual donation

OR

3. Choose "Multiple Times" button to schedule your gift weekly, monthly or quarterly



"Then one poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which amounted to a small fraction of a denarius. Jesus called His disciples to Him and said "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more than all the others into the treasury..."

Holy Gospel of Mark 12:42

COFFEE WITH HAYR SOORP

Join Us on Zoom!

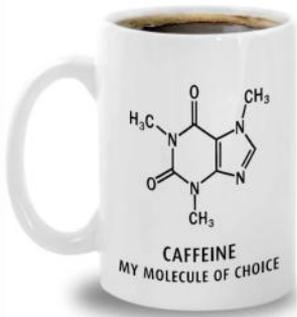
Take a break, grab your favorite cup of coffee, and log on for a half hour relaxed and meaningful conversation with Fr. Aren.

Wednesday, April 1, at 4:00pm

(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!

Happy Easter!

**CHURCH SCHOOL FAMILY EASTER
MID DAY SERVICE**

Please be prepared to receive Holy Communion.

**Saturday, April 4th
at 11am**

Fellowship following Church service with surprise
visit from the *Easter Bunny!*

Welcome all Little Saints' families!



Church School Easter Supper

Saturday, April 4th

Jrakalooyts Divine Liturgy 5pm
Supper following in the Cultural Hall

Beef Tenderloin Buffet

\$30 per person

Church School Students Free

RSVP to (248) 569-3405



The Women's Guild of St. John Armenian Church
presents
GUILD GATHERINGS

We're bringing back 2 favorites in time for Easter!

*Armenian Easter Egg Traditions
and
Choreg with Tips on Making Dough*



Watch from our Website:
stjohnwomensguild.square.site
Click on Guild Gatherings then Learn More

111TH GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION ESSAY COMPETITION

On April 24, 2026, the Four Churches Committee will gather to celebrate the New Saints of the Genocide.

On this occasion, four young people will offer reflections on what it means to be descendants of the Genocide of 1915 and what it means to have new Saints.

St. John Armenian Church has been designated to offer a young female to present this reflection.

Those girls aged 20–30 who are interested in representing our church should submit a brief written essay to Fr. Aren explaining why they would like to offer this meditation on April 24. Submissions will be given anonymously to the Ajemian Scholarship Committee, which will select our church's representative for that day.

The paragraph should be sent to Fr. Aren
at: fraren@sjachurch.org
by April 7th, 2026

**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, April 11, 1:00pm-3:00pm

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

OR [EBAISE@UMICH.EDU](mailto:ebaize@umich.edu)

21725 MELROSE AVE, SOUTHFIELD, MI, 48075

EUCHRE NIGHT!!

April 17th, 2025

St John Armenian Church Men's Society Charity Fundraiser

\$30 per Person

\$35 after April 10th

(Includes Chicken Kabob, Pilaf, Salad, Pop - Cash Bar)

All are Welcome!! Fun for Everyone!

We're in the ***Veterans Hall*** for this Event

Cash Prizes, Door Prize, Raffle (Must be 18 yrs old to win)

5:45-6:45 Museum Open for Attendees to Experience

6:00-6:45 Dinner

6:45 Euchre Starting Time

**Euchre Lessons for New Players on Sundays after Church

To Make Reservations (RSVP):

Call / Text: Michael Toomajian at 248-303-9744

or Email: michaeltoomajian@gmail.com

Join us for Euchre Night!

St. John Armenian Church

22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield Mi 48075

St John Armenian Church / 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield MI 48075 / 248-569-3405 / stjohnsarmenianchurch.org

Based on
Antonia Arslan's
memoir
Skylark Farm



THURSDAY
APRIL 23
7:00PM

St. John
Armenian Church
Cultural Hall

Presented by
St. John Armenian Church
&
Tekeyan Cultural Association
Detroit Chapter



For questions please contact:

Diana Alexanian: 248-505-6159 | Madisen Lundquist: 503-758-8805



SAVE THE DATE

111th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

Friday, April 24, 2026
at 7:00 p.m. in
St. John Armenian Apostolic Church



Celebrating the Sanctified Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide

Under the auspices of the

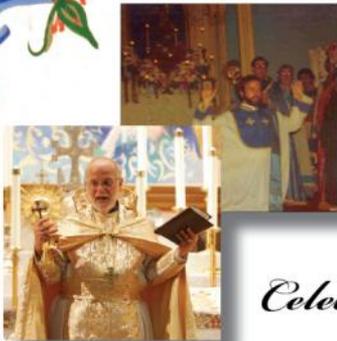
Armenian Churches of Greater Detroit Genocide Commemoration Committee

St. John Armenian
Apostolic Church

St. Sarkis Armenian
Apostolic Church

St. Vartan Armenian
Catholic Church

Armenian
Congregational Church



Save the Date!!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Celebratory Banquet

HONORING

Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian

ON THE OCCASION OF THE

50th Anniversary

OF HIS ORDINATION TO THE SACRED PRIESTHOOD

PRESIDED OVER BY
HIS GRACE, BISHOP MESROP PARSAMYAN, PRIMATE

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026 • 6:00 IN THE EVENING

St. John Armenian Church

SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN

PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMITTEE WITH QUESTIONS:

FrGarabed50@gmail.com

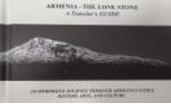
FOR MORE INFORMATION,
TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS EVENT OR
PARTICIPATE IN THE MEMORY SLIDESHOW
PLEASE USE THIS QR CODE FOR DETAILS



Visit the St. John Parish Bookstore!

Open during Church Office hours and on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy
The best selection of Armenian books and CDs and gift items: Jewelry, Armenian crosses, key chains, cookbooks and many "Made in Armenia" products — some newly arrived!

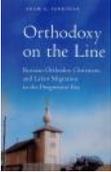
Featured Items



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



Children's Book
Rose by the Sea
By Rebecca
Mooradian,



New, "The Repatriate
Returns" by Tom
Mooradian SC \$20.00

These and many other Michael Aram pieces now available (10% off)!

Candles



White Orchid Cocktail
Napkin Holder



Noah's Ark
Nut Dish



New Jewelry from Armenia

Pregomesh Jewelry

Vanq Collection Silver Jewelry Celebrates Artsakh's Rich Heritage



EVENTS AT
ST JOHN
ARMENIAN CHURCH

WWW.SJACEVENTS.ORG

SCHEDULE AN
APPOINTMENT TO VIEW
OUR VENUE & ALL THE
FANTASTIC OPTIONS

WEDDINGS | BAPTISMS
SHOWERS | HOLIDAYS
GRADUATIONS | REUNIONS
BIRTHDAYS | BANQUETS
MEETINGS | ART SHOWS

CALL: 248 569 3405
EMAIL: EVENTS@SJACHURCH.ORG

General Parish Information

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

Parish Secretary: Gayane Hovhannisyan | (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/

“Please remember St. John Armenian Church in your Will or Trust”

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.stjohnsarmerianchurch.org/sunday-bulletin/



- March 29 - Church Morning Service - 9:00am, Divine Liturgy - 9:45am
March 29 - Women's Guild - Palm Sunday Bake Sale - Following Diving Liturgy
March 29 - Palm Sunday - ACYOA Day - Reception following Diving Liturgy
March 31- IN PERSON-Continued Intermediate Western Armenian Classes
4:30 pm - 7:30 pm
April 1 - Coffee with Hayr Soorp - 4:00pm, Via Zoom
April 2 - ZOOM-Continued Beginners Western Armenian Classes
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
April 4 - Church School Family Easter Mid Day Service - 11:00am
Fellowship following Church Service
April 4 - Jrakalooyts / Divine Liturgy - 5:00pm
Church School Easter Supper following Divine Liturgy
April 11 - SJAC Volunteer Day at World Medical Relief - 1:00pm - 3:00pm
April 17 - Men's Society - Euchre Night, 5:45pm
April 23 - Tekeyan Cultural Association - Filming (Lake Farm) - 7:00pm, Main Hall
April 24 - Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide, 7:00pm
May 28 - June 1 - Save the Date - Primate's Pastoral Visit
May 29 - Fr. Garabed's 50th Anniversary Celebration Banquet, 6:00pm - Main Hall
July 13 - July 17 - Save the Date - Arts of Armenia
July 25 - August 1 - Save the Date - Hye Camp

Year - End Statement

Church stewards who require a tax statement itemizing 2025 donations should contact the Church Office at (248) 569-3405 or office@sjachurch.org

Seeking Stewards Time and Talent Help

Social Media / Communications

Need volunteers or recommendations for part-time help.

Need to outreach beyond email blasts with more video clips.

Create Church Operations and Events Manual

Need 2-3 people to document the what, how & when regularly scheduled events are planned to create an operations manual.

Supply / Purchasing Management

Need simple inventory control and purchasing tracking system

Please contact Jim Stambouljan at Church Office.