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Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church LOOYS



Cheltenham, PA

Fall 2016



St. Sarkis Armenian Church in Yerevan

Hours of Worship

- Morning Service: 10:00 AM
- Divine Liturgy: 10:30 AM
- Sunday Church School:
10:15 AM

*Come celebrate with
Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan*



Upcoming Events

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BE THANKFUL TO GOD ALL THE TIME



“Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord. Always give thanks to God the Father for everything. Give thanks to him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Ephesians 5:19-20).

It is always easy to be thankful to God when things are well in our life, for example, when we are happy, healthy, have food on our tables and a roof over our heads. Almost every time when we receive a gift we thank the person who gave us the gift or when someone helps us, again we thank that person.

There are many examples of thankful people in the Bible. Let us remember a few of them.

Jonah was trying to run away from God. Then he was sucked up by a whale. But God rescued him and Jonah recognized that. “Those who worship vain idols forsake their true loyalty. But I, with the voice of thanksgiving, will sacrifice to You” (Jonah 2:8-9).

Moses who had a special relationship with the Creator of the universe thanked God several times; “The Lord is my strength and my might, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise Him, my father’s God and I will exalt him” (Exodus 15:2).

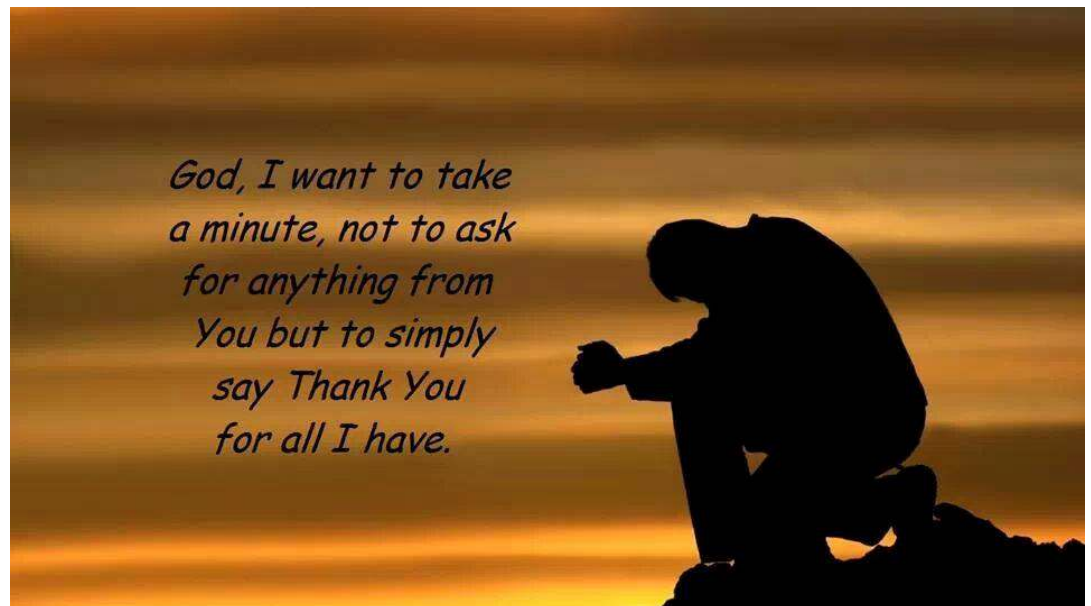
Mary, the Mother of Jesus visited her cousin Elizabeth who was with child. Then Mary praised God with these words, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has looked with favor on the lowliness of His servant” (Luke 1:46-47).

As most of us know, there are many unthankful people. Sometimes people are unthankful because they think that they are owed something; or sometimes they have everything and they don’t feel a need to be thankful to God; because they believe they have earned everything on their own without His help.

Thankfulness should come from our hearts. We should realize that God is the source of all the blessings in our life. He is the One who gives us life, strength, health, wisdom, wealth, ability and opportunities to be successful in life.

Of course, it is very hard to be thankful when we have crisis or difficulties in our life. But an unthankful and unhappy heart is not going to help our situation or solve the problems we have. We should be thankful for difficult, as well as happy times in our life, because difficult times help us to grow and reflect on our life as to whether we are living according to God’s will.

Dear Faithful, let us give thanks in everything; for this is God’s will for us in Christ Jesus. Amen
(1Thessalonians 5:18).



Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

By John Hanamirian, Chair

The fall has been filled with events. I said in the last issue that I was certain the 50th Anniversary would be a success and it was. We also had a terrific Harvest Bazaar. Thank you again to the Torcomians, Mukalians and to the Harmons for leading those efforts and thank you, really thank you, to each person who provides any support whatsoever to our events.



In that vein, we have been debating at Parish Council meetings the issue of whether to list the names of our Members in good standing, meaning those in the Congregation that are then current in their dues payment. Two schools of thought appear: (1) listing the names has the effect of ostracizing those who are not members; and (2) identifying members of an organization is commonplace and is an innocuous event. Think about it when you can.

If you are not a member of the Church and you express strong opinions about certain issues and particularly those issues that involve the Church spending money, do the persons on the other side of your debate deserve to know whether you are a member or not? For example, we, as the P.C., have determined to do the following on, drumroll.....the "Elevator Issue." We formed a committee as organizations always do, and the committee consists of Der Hayr, Larry D. Der Hagopian and Merle Santerian. I found that group to reflect an appropriate cross-section of our Church community and that we therefore assure that each part of the demographic population of our Church is represented in the process.

We then engaged an architect and agreed to pay him up to \$5,000.00 to prepare an analysis of the placement of any elevator in the building, the various costs of an elevator, including the construction costs and professional fees surrounding the elevator, and to provide a recommendation. The P.C. will then review that analysis and make its recommendation to the Parish to be considered at the next Assembly. The P.C. will provide the Parish with the information from the architect in advance of the Assembly.

At the Assembly, eligible voting Members (again, those in the Congregation then current with their dues) can either vote on the elevator issue or determine how to otherwise proceed. As a further part of the dialogue, I want to propose to the Parish, again, in advance of the Assembly, that the Church will commit to providing a percentage portion of the monies needed for the elevator. We have not yet determined the percentage, but we will. The Church will then turn to the Parish to fund the balance of the project, should it proceed.

The costs associated with the project, from the initial quotes, may reach a figure that is more than ten percent of our investments. That is a significant amount of money and a significant amount of our resources. We need to make that type of decision with deliberation and without emotion. Our decisions to spend money affect our Church community in many ways, but most significantly, (1) we cannot make decisions entirely from our hearts; and (2) we have to consider the longer term for our children and grandchildren. As I have said before, we have been fortunate to have literally a few families that gave us 50% of our invested money and the pipeline project which gave us the rest. There has not been other significant giving.



When we decide this issue, and I really do not have a preference on whether we do the project or not, I ask respectfully that we consider the sources of the money we are voting to spend, or not. The Ananian Family gifts and all of the other church families' gifts that comprise our investments are going to be depleted. We need to consider how we are going to restore those monies. Some may think - I am a member, I pay dues and I am voting and that is that. We have to consider, however, that again, we have a responsibility to the Church and a responsibility to the persons who gave to respect their gifts and to honor those in whose memory those gifts were made. Each of us has had a baptism, or a wedding, or a death and our gifts for each of those events is a part of the money we are voting to spend. It is not an imaginary pool of money. It is our money, yours and mine.

ABOUT OUR FAMILY

With the summer came an opportunity for all of us to slow down and enjoy life at a more relaxed pace. That included fewer activities at church, but now that we are back in full swing, it feels good to be "home" again! Unfortunately, for **George Terkanian**, it was not a good time. In the process of getting our church ready for our celebratory 50th anniversary event, he had the misfortune to fall from a ladder as he was replacing light bulbs in the church, causing serious injury to his foot. As of this writing, he is better and we believe the worst is behind him. Antzadz Ullah, George..... As the saying goes - "hometown boy makes good." **Tavit Murray** did just that when he served up a feast at our very special 50th Anniversary banquet. There were raves all around - Tzerkerut Talar, Tav!....At the same time, we congratulate **Tavit** for his new restaurant affiliation - The Woodstone Tavern in South Jersey. Check it out - we're told it's a jumpin' place!....Please remember in your prayers those among us who are in various stages of illness or recovery: **Virginia Shakarjian, Albert Santerian, Margie Arslanian, Anita Mirijanian, Harry Mirijanian, Christy Barone, George Medzigian and Albert Chapjian**. We wish them all well....Among the more serious of those people is **Ed Zarzatian, Jr.**, who underwent several emergency surgeries for a critical diverticulitis attack. He was hospitalized for many weeks including a stay in the ICU for a good part of that time. He is now home and recovering under the loving care of his family. Continue praying for him....Congratulations to **Patty and Vaughn Alexanian**, who celebrated their anniversary last month - we missed that one in our listing last issue....Our sympathies go out to **Carol Temoyan** and **Berj Yeretizian** and their families on the passing of their mother and sister, **Berjouhy Paroonagian Gallo**. She was a lifelong Holy Trinity member before moving to Florida....We also share in the sorrow of **Florence Boyajian** on the passing of her daughter, Janice Pinkerton, after a lengthy illness. Losing a child at any age is a loss without measure....A grandfather is someone very special and we extend our sympathy to **Emily Movsessian** on the passing of her grandfather in Detroit. May all those people who have lost a loved one strongly feel the comfort and peace of the Holy Spirit.....Forty years is a long time to which **Chris and Ernie Peacock** can attest as they celebrated their 40th anniversary on a two-week European cruise that was, in their words, FABULOUS! Yergar Dareener!....A bundle of joy now resides at the **April and Kevin Wiker** household as they welcomed their first-born, **Timothy James**. Much happiness to all of you, including **Grandpop Butch Kumkumian**....**Robin Barone** continues to WOW us in her new affiliation with *iFund Women*, a ground-breaking company founded by brilliant women who want to increase access to capital for women in their entrepreneurial endeavors. Her accomplishments continue!.... A salute to **Ani Gooshian** who, for the last three years in a row, has spent extended time in Armenia helping to teach school children. This year the program expanded to "train the trainers." Bravo, Ani.....We now enter the season of loving, caring and sharing. May you all be blessed during this season of the Holy Birth of our Lord and Savior **Jesus Christ**. **Chrisdos Dznay yev Haynetzav**.

We Love
We Share
We Play
We Laugh
We Fight
Family
We Live

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SHARING FAMILY NEWS



2016 has been a year of continual celebration for Gary and Sue DerHagopian. January began with the celebration of their 35th anniversary. In August, their son Jimmy married Aline Markarian at the cathedral in NYC, followed by an over-the-top festive reception. Just weeks later, with the entire family in tow, a party bus to Brigantine for a treasure hunt to find her "treasure" and a proposal on the beach. Their son Gary popped the question and a happy Nina Shahikian said, "Yes!" Next stop Las Vegas for a long weekend in October to celebrate Gary Sr's. 60th birthday. Lots of fun, festivity and celebration continues with a wedding in 2017. Achgerneed Louys!

MY ST. VARTAN CAMP EXPERIENCE

By Peter Ohnigian

With winter approaching, what an appropriate time it would be for me to reflect on a summer memory. Last summer was my last year as a CIT (Counselor-in-Training) at St. Vartan Camp, and I had a great time. I was a CIT for the teen boys. They were an energetic group of kids that I had enjoyed bonding with through the two weeks. I got to see many old friends who I had not seen since Sports Weekend or last year at camp. Meeting these friends is one of the greatest parts of going to camp. These are the people that I will know for my whole life as I will see them at many events such as Sports Weekend and other retreats.



My early years at St. Vartan Camp were definitely my favorites. The staff was all awesome people that wanted us to have as much fun as they did. They were the reason that I found myself going back year after year. It was never easy to say goodbye at the end of our stay every year at camp. I didn't exactly see myself becoming a CIT but after my last year as a camper, I knew I wasn't ready to say goodbye to this amazing camp. The beautiful landscape, great people, and amazing program always make me excited to come back for more.

This is why I recommend St. Vartan Camp to anyone who is considering sending their kids to camp next summer. They will meet lifelong friends and get more in touch with their faith through the time they spend at camp. I guarantee you they will never forget it!

GRADUATE UPDATE

We incorrectly reported in the last issue that Ashot Balasanyan was taking an extended time off following his high school graduation. We happily report that Ashot is indeed currently attending Bucks County Community College and will be transferring to Temple University once he has met the credit requirements. His field of study is Kinesiology and his ultimate goal will be to work with people who need support, both physically and mentally. Bravo, Ashot!

NOTE of THANKS

Dear Der Hayr and our Holy Trinity Family,

Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers, calls and concern when our son and brother, Ed Zarzatian, was hospitalized. We truly appreciated your support during this difficult time

Love,
Rosemary Zarzatian and Jordan and Keytanjian Families

OBITUARY – FLORENCE ALTOONIAN

Florence (Kazigian) Altoonian passed away peacefully on the morning of September 14, 2016 (age 93) at the Lutheran Home in Moorestown, NJ. She was predeceased by our father, Charles, who passed away in 2004. She is survived by her brother Richard Kazigian, children Gary Altoonian, Karen Zimmerman and Connie Huber, five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Mom learned to play the piano in her early adult years and was an avid bridge player. She was a dedicated member of Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church where she was a member of the Ladies Guild and actively volunteered for many events including the Folk Fair, dance recitals and bazaars. Along with our grandparents, Yeznig and Victoria Kazigian, Mom was an active member of the AGBU and was very involved with the cotillions. During the time when Mom & Dad lived in Las Vegas, they recalled many fond memories of their days at Holy Trinity and maintained their membership and also contributed to the stewardship program.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church.

Thanks to everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy. They have meant a great deal to us.

Sincerely and with Deep Gratitude,
Gary, Karen & Connie

FUNERALS

AROUSIAG KELYAN entered into her eternal rest on September 12, 2016. Funeral services were held on September 21, 2016 at Holy Trinity. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

BERJOUHE GALLO entered into her eternal rest on September 19, 2016. Funeral services were held on September 24, 2016 at Holy Trinity. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

PHILIP KAZANJIAN entered into his eternal rest on October 10, 2016. Funeral services were held on October 15, 2016 at Holy Trinity. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

JANICE BOYAJIAN PINKERTON entered into her eternal rest on November 10, 2016. Funeral services were held on November 15, 2016 at Perinchief Chapels. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

HARRY KALAFIAN entered into his eternal rest on November 24, 2016. Funeral services were held on November 28, 2016 at Lawnview Cemetery. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

BAPTISMS



October 29, 2016: (left)
OLIVIA ELIZABETH TORCOMIAN
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toros Torcomian
Godfather: Christopher Torcomian
Godmother: Armina Jayawant

October 29, 2016: (left)
EVE VERONICA TORCOMIAN
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toros Torcomian
Godfather: Christopher Torcomian
Godmother: Ana Torcomian

November 5, 2016: (right)
ERIK GRANT MARTIROSYAN
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Artur Martirosyan
Godfather: Adrian Talapan
Godmother: Erna Talapan



November 5, 2016: (left)
TIGRAN MARAT MARTIROSYAN
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Artur Martirosyan
Godfather: Armen Petrosyan
Godmother: Lena Petrosyan

November 6, 2016: (right)
EVELYN MARIA BEKIAN
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Art Bekian
Godfather: Gagik Virabyan
Godmother: Lyudmyla Voronkova

November 6, 2016: (right)
ELLYSA ANNA BEKIAN
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Art Bekian
Godfather: Gagik Virabyan
Godmother: Lyudmyla Voronkova



November 13, 2016: (left)
GABRIEL KAFALMAZYAN
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vahe Kafalmazyan
Godfather: David Kafalmazyan
Godmother: Anna Vedenskaya



... and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

1 Peter 3:21

**On February 21 (two days before Vartanantz),
the Armenian Church commemorates the group of saints called Levontian Fathers.**

The following is a reflection by Deacon Albert Keshgegian:

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade – kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith – of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire – may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him you love him; and even though you do not see him now you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls. 1 Peter 1:3-9

A diamond doesn't become brilliant, hard and precious until after many years of intense heat and pressure. Gold must be melted at high temperatures in order to remove impurities before it can be made into beautiful jewelry. Iron must be heated in a blast furnace to remove impurities and form the alloys that make steel strong, tough, and so useful. So it is sometimes with our faith.

Our faith is of greater worth to God than gold, more precious than diamonds, more useful than steel. But sometimes circumstances combine to test our faith. Trials come into our lives, bringing times of adversity. These may lead us to question the promises of God or even his very existence. But just as diamonds, gold, and steel become harder, more beautiful, and more useful by the processes they must go through, so also our faith can become stronger and be proved genuine by going through trials in our lives.

God helps us get through these times of trial by shielding us in his power, helping us to keep our faith, until the day that Christ returns. God gave us his son Jesus and he, through his resurrection, gave us a gift that is perfect. A gift that will never perish, spoil, or fade. A gift that is being kept in heaven for us who have faith: the salvation of our souls and eternal life with God. Our faith assures us of this gift and fills us with inexpressible and glorious joy in anticipation of receiving it, no matter what trials we may be facing in our lives.

The Levontian Fathers felt this joy, even though their lives were filled with great adversity. This group of clergymen lived at the time of the Battle of Vartanantz. They are named after the priest Levontius (Ghevont Yerets) and also include Catholicos Hovsep, Bishops Sahag and Tatig, Priests Mousheh, Arshen, Manuel, Abraham, and Khoren, and Deacons Kachach and Abraham.

The Levontian Fathers participated in the Council of Artashat, which wrote the reply to the demands of the Persian king that Armenians adopt paganism. As part of that reply St. Vartan and his followers said to the king:

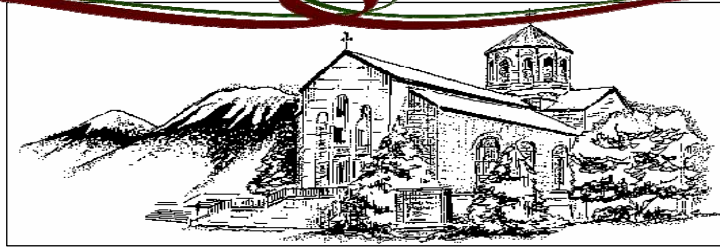
We are ready to serve you; we are ready to put to your disposition all we have; we are even ready to fight for you and to shed our blood for the empire...but when it comes to our eternal salvation, there is nothing you or your priests can do...your religion is a lie and should be laughed at...ours alone is true and teaches the love of God and of men...we cannot worship the sun and the moon and the wind and fire.

Ghevont Yerets was one of the primary leaders against the Persian king. He had led an uprising against the Persian priests who had come to Armenia to convert churches into fire temples. Before the Battle of Vartanantz he addressed the soldiers and exhorted them to sacrifice themselves for the sake of God's immortal power, as Jesus had sacrificed himself for us. Ghevont Yerets has been called the soul of the movement of Christian resistance.

The Levontian Fathers were martyred in the wilderness (so that their people could not obtain their relics) a few years after the Vartanantz battle, on July 25, 454. They were martyred for the strength of faith and their love for the Armenian nation.

Christian Armenia has continued to face adversity through the years. Persians were followed by Arabs, who in turn were followed by Turks, and, most recently, communists. Centuries of domination and subjugation, culminating in massacres and genocide. Despite all this, Armenians have clung fast to their Christian faith and have persevered. Their faith has been tested time and time again, but adversity has made it grow only stronger. And through it all, the Armenian nation has continually thanked God for our hope of life and an inheritance in heaven, given to us by the resurrection of his Son.

We all have ups and downs in our lives. We all encounter times of trial that are difficult to get through and that test our faith. We need to remember what the Levontian priests knew and what Armenians have felt through the centuries. Facing difficult times is not a reason to give up on our faith. It's an opportunity to allow our faith to grow stronger, to take comfort in the promises God has given us, and to feel the inexpressible inner joy of living, not as the world proposes, but as God wants.



Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church
Cheltenham, Pennsylvania

Christmas Services 2017



Thursday, January 5, 2017

Christmas Eve

7:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Followed by a House Blessing in the Hall

Please bring food to share during the fellowship hour



Friday, January 6, 2017

Christmas Day

10:30 AM Divine Liturgy



Sunday, January 8, 2017

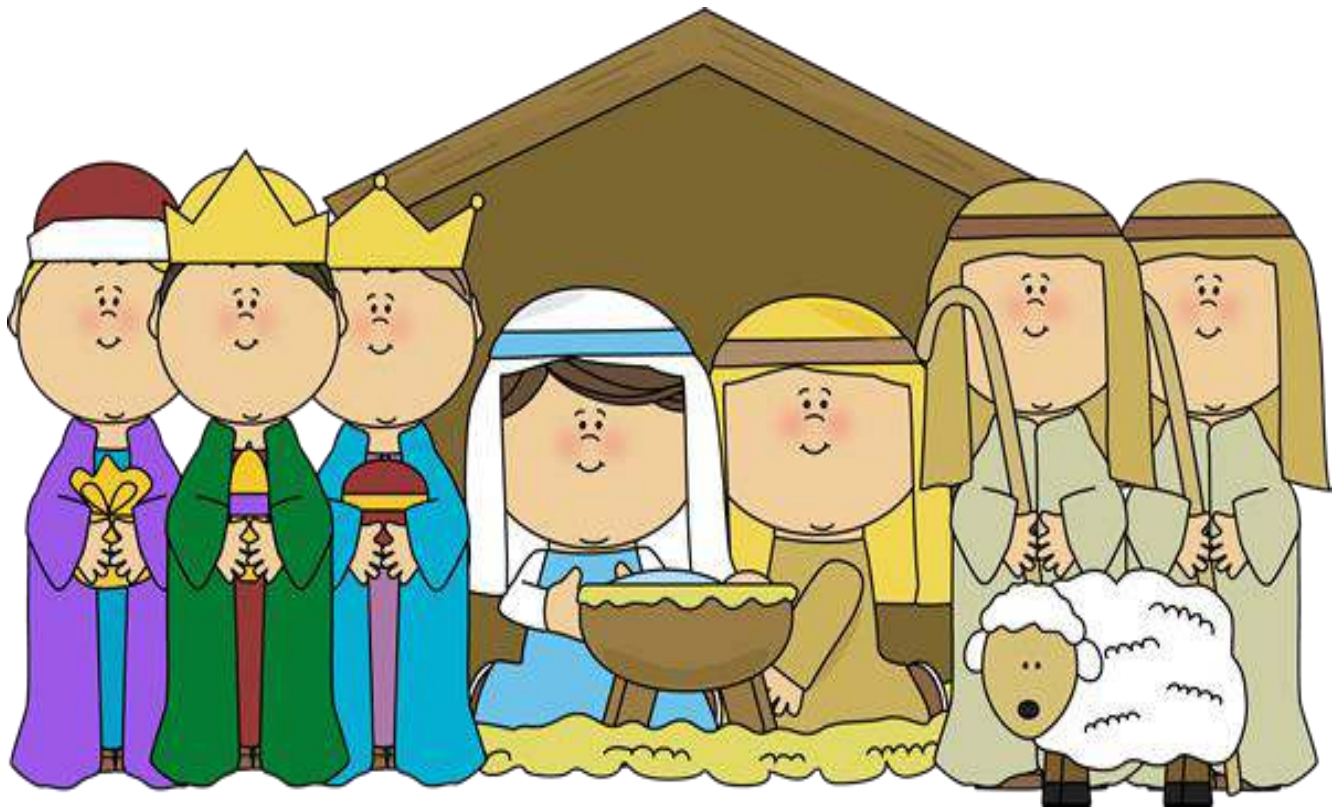
10:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Followed by Blessing of the Water

Godfather: Greg Meranshian



Holy Trinity Church School Christmas Pageant




Sunday, January 8, 2017

In Sanctuary following Badarak & Blessing of Water

(Special Fellowship Coffee Hour in Church Hall)

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Church community,
the Diocese, and the
Mother See and
dedicate this space
to the Genocide
Saints.

DAY OF CELEBRATION AT NEW CAMPUS OF ST. NERSESS SEMINARY

On November 12, 2016, over 30 members from Holy Trinity attended a historic event – the official opening and consecration of St. Hagop Chapel at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in Armonk, NY. The service was officiated by His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, assisted by His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Eastern Diocese and His Eminence Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, Primate of the Western Diocese.

The day began with a campus blessing where each building in St. Nersess was individually blessed and the official ribbon cutting upon His Holiness' arrival. His Holiness then consecrated the Chapel and the program began with a video tribute and a message by His Holiness.

In his message, His Holiness stated that St. Nersess "was founded to prepare a generation of clergy, so that their service would keep the spiritual and national identity of our people firm in the diversity of life in these United States, so that the light of faith, love and faithfulness to our culture and sacred values would remain unquenchable in the souls of the Armenian children."



Parishioners from Holy Trinity enjoyed the reception and mingled with other members of the Armenian Church, recalling their own personal experiences with the seminary. Very Rev. Fr. Daniel Findikyan recalled, "The first time I entered into St. Nersess Seminary I was 15 years old and didn't have any clue about the seminary. Later, it became my home where I got a Christian education and also decided to become a Clergyman and serve my Church,"

Der Hakob added that "the day was very inspiring and uplifting. The official opening and consecration of St. Nersess Seminary was a great success. It is the only Armenian Seminary in North America which not only prepares new priests for the Armenian Church but also educates our youth with Christian values. The Seminary will help many to learn God's Word and enlighten others."

Interesting Facts About St. Nersess Seminary:

- St. Nersess Armenian Seminary was established in 1961 through the vision of Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan of blessed memory.
- First located in Evanston, Illinois, it then relocated to New Rochelle, New York, and is now in Armonk, New York.
- Since its inception, three bishops, 37 priests and six lay ministers have graduated from St. Nersess and are in full-time service to the Armenian Church today.
- St. Nersess also has a strong youth outreach program. It is estimated that more than 6,000 young people have benefited spiritually and culturally from the summer conferences that started in 1963.

The seminary is a critical part of the Armenian Church, especially in America, and requires the support of our community. To learn more about St. Nersess or to make a donation, please visit www.stnersess.edu.

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CHURCH SCHOOL UPDATE

The Holy Trinity Church School began September 11th with two programs—language education (5 classes) and Christian education (7 classes). Yn. Anna Gevorgyan continues as Superintendent of the language program, and we welcome Patti Smith as the new Superintendent of our Christian education program. Our enrollment as of December is 76!

On registration day, the students were treated to a surprise "Sundaes on Sunday" ice-cream celebration. A special thanks to Kim Santerian and her committee for the yummy treats. And a special thank you to our very dedicated staff and parents for such a smooth start.

Our first Communion Sunday was October 2nd. Before communion, Merle Santerian held an assembly for grades K-3 teaching them Hayr Mer and church etiquette. Following communion, the parish and Church school were treated to a delicious breakfast prepared by the men and boys of our church school family.

We are very excited about our Acolytes initiative which is being coordinated by Talene Peckjian, our Grade 4-5 teacher. Thanks to a directive from the Primate, we have included girls up to the age of 12 in the program. The first group of acolytes has already received several training sessions with Fr. Hakob.

Sunday, December 11th was our annual event with Santa with entertainment provided by D.J. Nick and a visit from St. Nick. There was no shortage of fun and everyone left with the spirit of Christmas upon us.

Just a reminder there will be no classes on Sunday, December 25th and Sunday, January 1st. The New Year brings our Christmas Pageant on Sunday, January 8th under the direction of Yn. Anna Gevorgyan and Mariana Majian.

Sunday, February 26th is our last Communion Sunday before Easter. It will also be the start of our Lenten Drive and Poon Paregentan celebration.

Thanks to all of our Holy Trinity family for your support and love of our children.



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THE LADIES of HOLY TRINITY

By Liz Barone

Summer ended and it was time to begin a more active schedule at church once again and great to see each other when so many were away from church more often than not during those months.

In September a group of about thirty journeyed to New York by chartered bus to visit the sight of our country's most devastating tragedy – Ground Zero in New York....the sight of the World Trade Centers. It was a dreary day weather-wise, which matched the spirit of what we would view and continue to absorb these many years later. But at the same time, we were able to see the greatness of the American people as they became a part of the rescue effort, without thought for their own well-being. It was a solemn outing, but one which was important for us to see.



As we left the museum and walked past the Memorial Reflecting Pools, the sun was shining on us. We were at peace and filled with love and pride for our country. On the way home, we shared a congenial meal in fellowship with each other, filled with the hope that only God can give us in trying circumstances.

Wasn't our annual Fall Festival Bazaar just grand!!!! Hats off to Barbara Harmon!! She assumed the responsibility and assembled an able-bodied crew of volunteers. If you were one of them, thank you for supporting our church. If you were not, please consider joining the team next fall. Not only will you practice valuable stewardship, you will get acquainted with members of our parish that you may have seen in church but had not the opportunity to get to know better.

Our Breast Cancer Awareness Month was a success. We collected \$125 in loose change. A check was sent to FAR to support Women's Health Care in Armenia. We will repeat collecting loose change in December. That collection will be forwarded to Armenia to be used at Vanadzor, the home for the aged. We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners.

With the rush of holiday activities, we took time to visit Cairnwood, the Pitcairn home in Bryn Athyn. Participating in activities outside the church provide us with relaxing opportunities to enjoy each other's company. We also look forward to returning to the Sculpture Garden in New Jersey in the spring when we will have all thawed out from the winter's cold weather.

On a more serious note, we extend our sincerest sympathy to Florence Boyajian on the loss of her beloved daughter, Janice Pinkerton, after a lengthy illness. May God bless her with eternal peace.

The cold winter is upon us but, hopefully, it will not be so nasty as to keep us away from our church family, participating in worship and fellowship. Stay safe and warm!

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ACYOA, JRS. COLUMBUS DAY SPORTS WEEKEND 2016

By Peter Ohnigian

On Columbus Day weekend, Holy Trinity and St. Sahag's ACYOA, Jrs. competed in the annual Sports Weekend competition among other parishes. This year Sports Weekend was held here in Philly.

On Friday all of the participants arrived with their parishes at St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church in Wynnewood, PA. They checked in before meeting their host families from Philly. Many old friends were reunited and it was clear that many ACYOA, Jrs. were excited for the weekend. After everyone arrived, there was a short vespers service and then all the participants went home with their host families.

On Saturday, the first day of sports began when everyone met at the sports complex. After a full day of sports, everyone went back to their host families for dinner. After dinner, the ACYOA Jrs. went to the dance. Everyone had a great time and I'm sure many people were excited to wind down after a long day of playing sports and dancing. Everyone enjoyed a full day of competition and fellowship.

On Sunday, church service was held at St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church. After church service, everyone went back to the sports complex to play the final rounds of each sport. The championship games were very competitive and all went down to the wire. The day ended with a banquet, awards ceremony, and dance. Philly ended the weekend with 2nd place in futsal and volleyball!! We all had a great time and are very excited for the next Sports Weekend in May!



Above: soccer



Left: Dance



Right: Brinker
Thanksgiving Basket
meal packaging with
St Sahag and Mesrob



Left: Bazaar
candy carnival
booth
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Right: Chess

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CHELTHENHAM PARISH PROMOTES VOLUNTEERISM

On Sundays, October 9 and 16, the Lay Ministry Team at Holy Trinity Church in Cheltenham, PA held a first-time volunteer fair (similar to a job fair) during coffee hour called the "Sunday of Talents". The October 9 sermon reflected on the Gospel of the day with the retelling of the poor widow giving out of her extreme poverty and then continued by encouraging people to give their time, talent and treasure to the church. Parishioners were reminded that all that we have comes from God and what He asks from us is to return a small portion of it for His Kingdom.

During the program, representatives from the parish's various organizations and ministries spoke individually to those who were interested in getting more information on how to get involved. The seven activities that were represented were: Altar



Service, Choir, Care Ministry, Church School, Epistle Reader, Outreach Ministry and Ladies of Holy Trinity. The idea behind the event seemed to generate great interest and, as a result, several of the areas did recruit new volunteers.

FUND FOR ARMENIAN RELIEF: AN OVERVIEW

The Fund for Armenian Relief (FAR) oversees several programs in Armenia: a home for the elderly, a soup kitchen, a children's center, a technology school and more. Good work, excellent leadership, and loving devotion is exhibited by the staffs working at all FAR initiatives. Their programs fall into six categories:



1. Economic Development: (1) The Gyumri Information Technology Center (GTech); (2) Breaking the Cycle of Poverty Program (BCPP).
2. Child Protection: (1) The FAR Children's Center; (2) Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program (CASP).
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5. Social Services: (1) The Vanadzor Old Age Home (VOAH); (2) Soup kitchens.
6. AYO! raises funds for local development projects exclusively proposed by Armenians for Armenians.

Future issue of the LOOYS will feature specifics on each of these program. In the meantime, for more information and to find out how you can help, go to: www.farusa.org.





Some Of the participants of the Fall Bible Study series

ABOVE AND BEYOND

When the parishioners and other guests entered our banquet hall on the day of our 50th anniversary celebration, there were oohs and aahs galore as everyone saw the transformation that had taken place with the painting of the entire room in coordinating hues, accenting the wainscot picture frames and more. Artashes Danielyan and his crew worked tirelessly - almost around the clock - in order to have the work completed by Celebration Day with amazing results. He was not only the project manager, but he skillfully guided us through color selections; and beyond that, the costs to the church were enormously less than the going rate for such a huge project. Thank you, Artash, for giving us a picture-perfect banquet hall as we begin our next fifty years. You truly did go "above and beyond"!



STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION



We continue to be indebted to those of our members who provide services, in their particular areas of expertise, at no cost to the church. In this issue, we would like to thank:

- Gagik Hovhanissyan - who repaired the microwave in our kitchen, which is used often. This kind of appliance is usually not "repairable" but Gagik proved us wrong!
- Richard Mukalian III - who enhanced the speakers in the choir loft for much better amplification!
- Kim Willard of Economy Roofing - who provided much ongoing repair to roof leaks. He is always responsive to our needs!
- George Terkanian and Garo Garibian - who changed all the lightbulbs in the church - a major undertaking, to be sure!

SHOEBOXES GALORE!

Thank you to all who participated in Operation Christmas Child - both those who have done it frequently in the past and first-time box-fillers. As everyone probably knows by now, this project provides shoeboxes filled with goodies and small treats to children all over the world including Armenia - usually the only gift a child will receive. Since beginning this outreach twelve years ago, we have filled a total of 883 boxes, which includes 72 for this year. Heartfelt appreciation goes not only to those who filled shoeboxes but also to those who made monetary donations to help in this worthy endeavor. You are bringing joy to a child with so little but the blessing will be yours!



UPCOMING

Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS



January 5	Armenian Christmas Eve Service Home Blessing & Fellowship
January 6	Armenian Christmas
January 8	Water Blessing Service Christmas Pageant
January 15	Day of Remembrance
February 12	Dyaruntarach-Blessing of Married Couples
February 19	Parish Assembly
February 26	Poon Paregentan
February 27	First day of Lent
March 5	Parish Assembly – 1st snow date
March 12	Parish Assembly – 2nd snow date
March 25	Parish Retreat

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Drew Doudoukjian - 4
Serge Minassian - 4
Andrea Minassian - 5
Mark Santerian - 5
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Stepan Andonian - 8
Alexander Arzoumanian - 8
Naomi Mukalian - 8
Diane Williames - 8
Lori Sarkisian - 9
Lucine King - 10
Rose Carlucci - 13
Fred Jordan - 13
Sona Nalbandian - 13
Arax Gargan - 16
Victoria Gureghian - 16
Larry Grocott - 17
Amy Terkanian - 17
Dylan Santerian - 18
Halle Santerian - 18
Luceen Attarian - 21
Albert Chapjian - 21
Ella Hanamirian - 22
Nareg Kaprielian - 22
Albert Keshgegian - 22
Gavin Pica - 22
John Williames - 22
Daniel Aslanian - 23
Betty Hovsepian - 24
Hagop Arzoumanian - 25
Sophia Carnevale - 26
Martin Gutchigian - 28
Gay Hagopian - 29
John Hanamirian - 30
Pauline Dedeian - 31

February

Rev Fr Hakob Gevorgyan - 2
Aren Torcomian - 2
Frederick Jordan, Jr - 3
Rimma Rafiyeva - 3
Anna Hanamirian - 4
Michael Santerian - 4
Alik Oflazian - 5
Kyle Burrows - 6
Eileen Carr - 6
Michael Hajatian, Jr - 6
Melanie Minassian - 7
Gregory Yazujian - 7
Ashley Radell - 8
Van Injaian - 9
Mickey Sherian - 9
Michael Hajatian - 10
Franklin Vartanian - 10
Patil Boghosian - 11
Margaret Leck - 14
Mark Kalenian - 14
Ricky Mukalian - 14
Ayshe Chakmaklian - 15
Vartan Gevorgyan - 15
Pearl Jamgochian - 17
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If I could see

If I could see ahead of me, down all the future years,
could tell the measure of each one – their weight of joys and tears.
I could not bear it, Father God, 'twould fill me with despair;
the sight would break my human mind with such a load of care.

If I could see ahead of me for only one short year,
what joys would cause my heart to leap? What trials would bring me fear?
I could not do it, Father God! My strength is much too small.
Even one year would be too long to know what would befall.

If I could see ahead of me for this one single day,
from early morning to the moon and on to sunset's ray,
My God, I am so very weak that this one glimpse so small
(Compared to what Thine eye dost view) would prove, to me, downfall.

If I could see ahead of me, two pitfalls would be near.
I'd find no happiness today because of future fear.
Or else I would too careless grow about my walk this day,
Because of distant time I'd see when I could change my way.
Thy plan was wise, dear Father God, to veil it from our sight,
And keep the future safely hid in shades of deepest night.
We do not want to see ahead! Our days, our months, our years
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50 YEARS STRONG

By Margo Silk

A celebration of Holy Trinity Armenian Church of Cheltenham's consecration 50 years ago to the day took place on Sunday, September 18, 2016, beginning with His Eminence, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, celebrating the Badarak. The theme of his sermon that carried us through the day was "love." Even in his remarks later at the banquet, he expressed his joy to be in the "city of love" with the Holy Trinity parish where he felt the spirit of unity. Srpazan emphasized how we are connected with each other not only in the parish but also with our clergy, sisters from the Armenian Sisters Academy and friends throughout the Philadelphia Armenian community.



Citing St. Paul, "the church is the body and the head is Christ," Srpazan reminded us that regardless of our church members' birthplaces and cultural differences, we are united as followers of Christ. He recalled a personal moment when he recently witnessed soldiers on the front line in Armenia wearing crosses and making the sign of the cross.

"This is the best symbol of love, sacrifice, victory and resurrection. Christ has risen and given us life!"

Srpazan also jubilantly recalled the sentiments of His Holiness Pope Francis who referenced the prayers of St. Gregory of Nareg at a service in Yerevan: "This is the constitution of the Armenian Church and its people and this is why we need the Armenian Church and its people. It is the sign of the living church."

Addressing the 325 parishioners, with three- and four-generation families present, pastor Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan, reflected and asked, "why is this church important to you?" He echoed the presence of Jesus, the Head and most important force that brings us together. With his leadership, he continually reveals the lessons of love and fosters the unity among us.

At the pinnacle of the program, two couples who exemplify the living church - with their faith, dedication, and many acts of service - received the St. Vartan Award. Nancy and Stephen Hovnanian together brought the Ararat Center to life and nurtured the development of it, naming one example of their legacy to the community. Anne and George Terkanian are personally "always on call." George tends to the many electrical emergencies. Anne not only lends her hand in the kitchen but has served as the CASP Administrative Data Manager for 11 years. The list goes on for both couples.

Stephen Ajemian, Gloria Basmajian, Ara and Virginia Sharkarjian, Angel Tookmanian, Michael Tookmanian, and Alice and Karnig Torossian were recipients of the Holy Trinity Parish Award. These members have served in all areas of the church and in various capacities for over decades.



Toastmaster Dr. Garo Garibian opened the program with his "genatz" saying, "don't raise your glasses yet!" While holding up the Bible, he declared that God has a plan for us, and it is based in love. The gift of love was evident as we listened to our talented church members: Karinne Andonian sang, Elisa Barile played the piano, Peter Ohnigian, Ashot Balasanyan and Anton Balasanyan recited meaningful poems capturing the Armenian spirit. Gary Altoonian created a video of our church's pictorial history that highlighted the special moments starting with the groundbreaking long before the consecration in 1966.

Der Hakob thanked the banquet chairs, Naomi and Rick Mukalian and Fran and Tom Torcomian. He said, "they did such a good job, I might ask them to plan another banquet." Others who participated were Merle Santerian with her warm welcome, Antranig Garibian, emcee, and the many committee members who volunteered for the past few months. Head chef Tavit Murray was called out of the kitchen for a special thank you in preparing a delicious and beautifully presented meal.

As important were the sponsors who graciously and generously offered their financial support to make this celebration possible. We are 50 years strong and looking forward to the next 50!



2016 BAZAAR SUCCESS

Harvest Bazaar Wins the Blue Ribbon Once Again!

There couldn't have been a better weekend than the last one in October to hold our annual Harvest Bazaar...spring-like weather, not a drop of rain to hinder the outdoor chefs, and sumptuous food lovingly prepared by our fabulous cooks and bakers. There was something for everyone: Gift & Silent Auctions, a fully-stocked Country Store, the "anything-and-everything" Attic Treasures, Bake Shoppe, fine artwork and vibrant jewelry. Best of all were the scores of children festively dressed for the Halloween Parade. It doesn't get much better than that.

Of course, an event like this doesn't just "happen" – it does take a village as we all know. At the top of the pyramid was "five-timer," Barbara Harmon, heading up the whole thing. She is a dynamo with amazing attention to detail. Robbie Barone was the outdoor chefmeister with a major assist by Larry D. Der Hagopian, Matt Sadjian and a band of others. Other team leaders were Barbara Harmon, Anne Terkanian and Talene Peckjian (Advance Food Prep); Berjoohy Murray (Bake Shoppe); Lorraine Damerjian (Country Store); Ayshe Chakmaklian, Liz Barone and Pauline Chapjian with an assist from Adrienne Movsesian, Joyce Killian and Grace Meranshian (Attic Treasures); Linda Boornazian and Margo Silk (Gift Auctions); Merle Santerian and Yn. Anna (décor and more); Rick Mukalian (head cashier); and Tom Harmon and Shant Kapeghian (bar).



Honorable mention goes to those who spent almost their entire weekend in the kitchen, alongside Barbara: Vicki Gureghian, Alyssa Worrell, Maral Torossian Davis, Angel Tookmanian, Lisa Beberian, and Janice King. Not to be forgotten and lending major assistance were: Alice Torossian, Maria Javardian, Tanya Paretchan, Karine Karakhanian, and a bevy of support people too numerous to mention, but so important to the entire undertaking.

This year produced another successful bazaar – in all ways - and we especially thank all those who supported it in any way: with donations, with service and with your attendance. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!





Harvest Bazaar Gift Auctions

This year there were so many wonderful donations from regular and first-time donors, we decided to add a Silent Auction to the Chinese Gift Basket Auction at our October 2016 Harvest Bazaar. We also gave a special discount if you bought \$20 in tickets. The results are that we more than doubled the revenue from last year. We want to thank everyone who donated and those that bought tickets (especially those that bought more tickets) and those that participated in our silent auction. The generosity of our parishioners and the Armenian family was truly amazing.

The gifts this year were amazing. The gift auction committee would like to thank the following contributors for their generous, charitable donations of auction items this year: Marge and Ray Ayoub, Eileen and Gary Altoonian; Deskouhy and Martin Attarian; Nancy and Gloria Basmajian; Phil Magee/Blake Florist; Linda and Rich Boornazian; Florence Boyajian; Marta and David Brann; Stacey and Alen Cakiryan; Jeanette and Larry Der Hagopian; Kim and Larry Der Hagopian; Cecelia and Garo Garibian; Sabrina and Antranig Garibian (Garibian Law Office); Lynn and Michael Hajatian; Barbara and Tom Harmon; Ladies of Holy Trinity; Steve and Nancy Hovnanian; Bob and Sue Karpinski; Robert and Janice King, Grace and Greg Meranshian; Leslie and Paul Movsesian; Naomi and Rick Mukalian; Berjoohy Murray; David and Stacy Murray; Tanya and Michael Paretchan; Anna Polizzi; Merle Santerian and Family; Donna Sarkisian; Season's 52: Anne and George Terkanian; Ethel Terzian, Angel Tookmanian, Gena and Kim Willard.

Looking forward to next year with three special requests. The item that brought in the most revenue was the beach house for a weekend. Special thanks to Anne and George for being willing to do this. If several families could donate a week of their beach house next year, we may be able to double the revenue from this year. A nice oriental rug new or used would also be nice. Lastly, we would like volunteers to provide restaurants or businesses with donation request letters like we did for Season's 52 restaurant. This is a time consuming but free way to get additional revenue. Please see Linda Boornazian or Margo Silk for more information.

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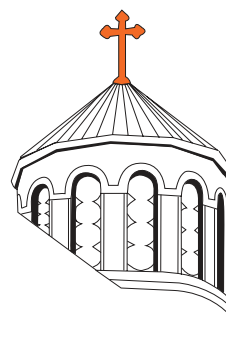
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2 Samuel 2:6



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Talia, Sophie, Nina & Zachary on the 40th day of her passing

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