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Holy Trinity Armenian Church



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Cheltenham, PA

April to June 2010

Friends don't only meet at ball games



(Photos are from the Women's Guild trip to cheer the Phillies on to a victory over the Florida Marlins on Tuesday, June 8. The final score Phillies 10 Marlins 8.)

Come back to church and reconnect, not
only with old friends, but God too!

Hours of Worship

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

**Come celebrate with
Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan**

Upcoming Events

- Sunday School Registration – September 12
- Family Night – September 24
- ACYA Jrs. Sports Weekend – October 8-11



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Feast of the Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin

"To the Right Hand (of St. Gregory the Illuminator)
and to Holy Etchmiadzin, the whole of the Armenian nation is bound"
Archimandrite Arakel Davrizhetsi
17th Century Historian

Armenian Christians observe the feast of the Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin 64 days after Easter. A Divine Liturgy is celebrated during which the faithful sing a special hymn, written by the eighth century Catholicos Sahak of Dzorap. This hymn tells of St. Gregory's vision and the Cathedral's construction.

According to tradition, following the declaration of Christianity as the Official Religion of Armenia in 301 AD, St. Gregory was "knocked on the thickness of the vast ground" where he was given a vision. From this famous revelation, he drew the gold-anchored "Shoghakat" - Effusion of Light--Holy Etchmiadzin.

Above the light-illustrated image of the sanctuary, the message of the Most High resounded:

"And that place will be the temple of God and a house of beseeching prayers for all the faithful and the seat of the pontificate." (*Agathangelos*), wherein the Only Begotten Son of God – Jesus Christ, descends from Heaven, his face lit aglow, and with the strike of a golden hammer designates the site where the Mother Cathedral for the entire Armenian nation is to be founded. Hence, the name of the spiritual center for the Armenians, "Etchmiadzin", means "the Descent of the Only Begotten" (Etch - descent, mi - only, dzin - begotten.)

St. Gregory relayed the story about his vision to the Armenian King Tiridates, under whose royal auspices and support the Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin was built.



"Universal Cathedral built for us, which the gates of hell cannot destroy, anointed with oil, river of good news, O adorable Mother, Holy Etchmiadzin." (*Paghtasar Dpir, 18th c.*)

Holy Etchmiadzin became the spiritual Motherland of the Armenians, and kept alive the love and vision in Armenian life for the reestablishment of lost independent statehood. The light, through the vision of the Descent of God, increased the faith, will and aspiration for a new renaissance among our people. In the lanterns of all Armenian Churches, the "Shoghakat" Light of Holy Etchmiadzin is present, and in all baptismal fonts, the Holy Chrism of the Illuminator is there, distributing the grace of adoption for inheritance of the homeland. Holy Etchmiadzin is a singular, unconditional sanctity for every Armenian.

When we read Armenian history and literature, we find how important was and is the meaning of Holy Etchmiadzin for every Armenian in the world. It is almost impossible to imagine the Armenian reality without Holy Etchmiadzin, because not only is She The Mother See for the whole Armenian nation but

She is also our past, present and future.

To illustrate the importance of Holy Etchmiadzin in our life I will say that without Etchmiadzin we couldn't have Armenia--Armenian language and music, Armenian history and literature. Holy Etchmiadzin for me is a Heaven on the earth and through Her, Armenian life becomes strong and united. I think every Armenian who hasn't been in Etchmiadzin should go there kneel down before the Holy Altar of Descent and feel his roots and glorify God with the same love as our fathers did, who built Holy Etchmiadzin.

As Armenians we should love Etchmiadzin as our Holy Mother. "In this sanctuary is the heart of the Armenian Nation - the place of the Descent. Love Etchmiadzin, enter inside, kiss the point of Descent and you will have kissed the entire expelled nation, dispersed throughout the universe." (*Berj Proshian, 19th c.*)



Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan

It's been several months since we've welcomed our new Pastor, Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan, into our Parish, and I can say, without reservation, that it has been like a "breath of fresh air." In my opinion, he has brought a certain kind of peace and tranquility to our church which has been missing for a long time. I have to say that it is wonderful working with him, as Parish Council Chairman, and I believe I can say the same for my fellow Board members.

The Parish Council is happy to have Der Hayr aboard, working with them for the betterment of our church. He has not hesitated to get to know our parishioners or to welcome new members, especially a group of Armenians from Armenia, whom I don't believe we would have met had it not been for the fact that they had learned that our Der Hayr was from Armenia and spoke both Armenian and Russian, among other languages, and wanted to meet him. Since then, they have kept coming, especially a group of young men who have done many things for our church, such as giving their services to paint the church, labor free, last year, and now have offered to participate in our church picnic and other events. We welcome them and are happy to have them as part of our parish family.

Recently, we have had other Armenians from our homeland, Azerbaijan, Baku, and Georgia join our church. There have been about twelve families who have become members, been baptized, had their children baptized, married and buried loved ones from Holy Trinity in the past few months. Der Hayr is more than willing to be available to anyone who has need of his services. He has already done many home blessings and grave blessings these past few months and is anxious to get to know all of our parish families. So do not hesitate to call him, greet him and introduce yourself to him when you see him; he would love to get to know you.



In May, we successfully burned the mortgage, which had been obtained to renovate our church hall and add a new office complex in the year 2000. This was a major undertaking which was successfully completed and has become a real asset to our church.

A special "Thank You" to all the donors who contributed in order to burn the mortgage, to the Mortgage Burning Committee led by Nick Terkanian, to Ann Terkanian and her committee who catered the event, the Men's Club, ACYOA Jrs., ACYOA Srs., and all those who supported the event by attending and making it a joyful evening.



The Parish Council and Der Hayr are working on plans for the fall. We are planning to have a Bible Study and a monthly Family Night, and are looking into the possibility of having a carnival in the future. In addition, we would like to produce an updated Parish Directory. Everyone's help is needed to carry out these projects, whether it be in supporting them by participating or being on a committee. So please think about volunteering when the time comes; with YOU we can succeed.

Summer is upon us. Sunday school ends on June 13, but church services will continue every Sunday throughout the summer unless you are notified otherwise. Although many of you will be going away for vacations, don't forget that God does not take a vacation. He is in his house at all times and we need to keep visiting him and worshiping with him on Sundays.

On behalf of the Der Hayr and the Parish Council, I wish you a happy, healthy and safe summer. God be with you!

Merle Santerian

Parish Council Chairman

Congrats to our Grads

Ani Marie Peckjian,

daughter of Bryan and Talene Peckjian, graduated from Lower Moreland High School on June 9, 2010. Ani was a very active member of her school community. She was a cellist in her school orchestra and member of the Art Club, developing an Art Beautification program to enhance the school environment. Ani was an attorney for Mock Trial, a member of the high school Life Skills Buddy Program, and a part of the production and editing crew of the high school News Studio. Ani was selected by staff to develop a Windows Movie Maker guide for the students in response to a need for instruction. She participated in two high school mini THONs to raise money for children with cancer. In her junior year, Ani was awarded a Keystone Girls State scholarship in the summer of 2009 from the American Legion Post #800 for a week long government and leadership conference. At graduation, Ani was awarded the Sandra Bard Memorial Scholarship for achievement, commitment, and motivation. Her community service activities included volunteering in an assisted living facility during the summers and most recently as an intern in the office of State Senator Stewart Greenleaf. Ani is a former Co-Chair of the ACYOA Juniors, a Sunday school graduate, a participant in the St. Nersess Summer Conferences, and currently sings in the choir. Ani will be attending Ursinus College in the fall, majoring in History with a minor in Secondary Education.



Alexis Maria Mele, daughter of Mary Jayne (Kouyoumjian) & Thomas Corley, granddaughter of Virginia and the late Martin Kouyoumjian, graduated with honors from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa with a BA degree in Psychology and a minor in Biology. Alexis is presently serving an internship with Big Brothers Big Sisters Organization in Indiana, Pa as a Assistant Case Manager for at risk

children and adolescents. Alexis was active in Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority and served as their webmaster during a three year period. Alexis plans to continue her education and will be applying to graduate schools this fall.

Katia Ani Boyajian, after graduating from Georgetown Visitation High School in 2006 located in Washington, DC, Katia Boyajian furthered her education at the University of Maryland in College Park. During her time there she was actively involved in student organization including the Armenian Student Union and the College Park Environment Group, for which she held the position of President during her Senior year. Katia was also awarded for her outstanding academic achievement shown through her acceptance to both the Golden Key Honour Society and the National Society for Collegiate Scholars. She was also on the Dean's List during all of her semesters at the university. Katia graduated this past May with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Criminal Justice. She currently has a summer internship with the Department of Energy and hopes to attend graduate school in the future. Katia is the grand-daughter of Florence Boyajian.

Meredith Moore, daughter of Doctors William Moore and Corinne Santerian, and grand-daughter of Merle Santerian plans to attend Pennsylvania State University, University Park this fall. Dreaming of following in her parents footsteps, she will be studying Pre-Medicine at the Eberly College of Science.



After 3 wonderful years at Central Bucks East High School, Meredith has participated in numerous clubs and organizations including Student Council, Key Club, and The National Honors Society. After starring in the fall children's show, High School Musical: Live on Stage, sponsoring the Make A Wish foundation, she discovered a love for the theater which she plans to pursue, along with a passion for choir, throughout her college experience. She is so thankful for all of the love and support she has received from her family and friends, and is excited to start a new chapter of her life, making the best of each and every day to come.

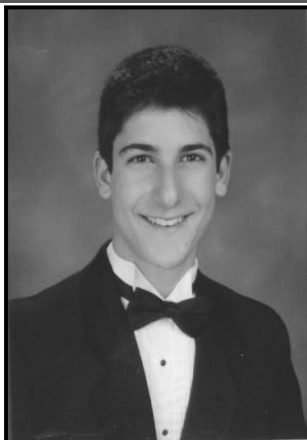
SUCCESS

**You can use most any measure
When you're speaking of success.
You can measure it in fancy home,
Expensive car or dress.**

**But the measure of your real success
Is the one you cannot spend.
It's the way your kids describe you
When they're talking to a friend.**

(reprinted from "Keepers" by Dear Abby)

Mark John Santerian Jr., son of Mark and Silva Santerian, grandson of Mrs. Merle Santerian graduated from the Malvern Preparatory School and will be attending Drexel University Pennoni Honors College in the fall. Mark is a Drexel Dean's Scholarship recipient and will be studying Business and Engineering. While at Malvern, Mark was a member of the Soccer and Squash teams. He was also active in the Diversity Club, the Stock Market Club, and the Ping Pong Club. In addition, Mark was the 2010 Senior Class recipient of the Citizenship Award as well as the St. Augustine Award for Christian Service.



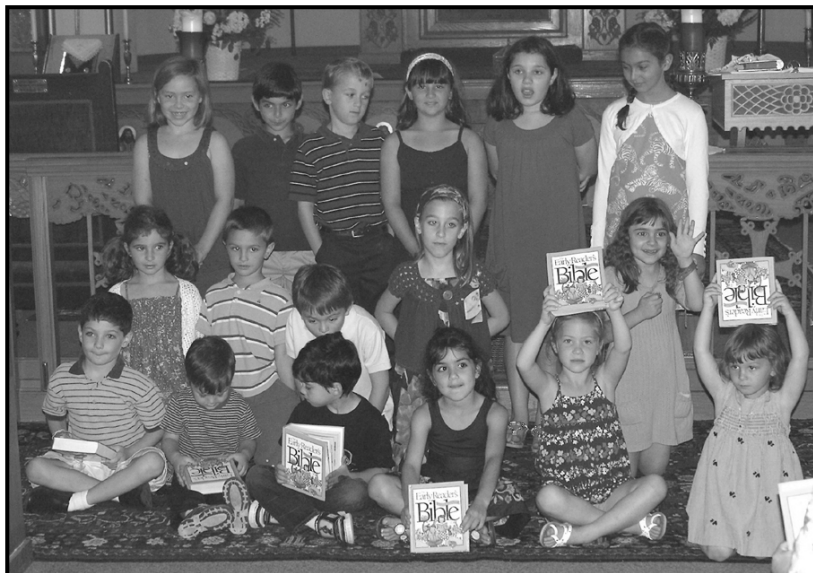
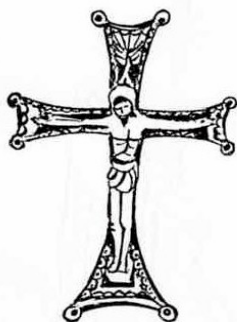
Christine J. Willames, daughter of John and Diane Willames, granddaughter of Noubar and Virginia Mangasarian, graduated from Penn State University on May 14, 2010, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History. She plans to further her education in the fall at Clarion University to achieve her graduate degree in Library Science. We wish her continued success in all her studies.



Our hats are off to all of our Graduates.
Your Parish is proud of you!

Sunday School Graduation

On Sunday, June 13, 2010, many of our Sunday School students matriculated to the next year. Seen in the photo to the right, children making a presentation in church during the graduation program.



Congratulations to **Drew Doudoukjian** on his graduation from Sunday School on Sunday, June 13, 2010. Also congratulations to Drew's parents, Richard and Diane Doudoukjian and his proud Godmother, Berjoohy Murray on this special accomplishment. During the graduation service Drew renewed his commitment to the church and recalled the promises made for him at his baptism and chrismation -- which are faith, hope, love and the grace of the Holy Spirit. Your church family rejoices in your success and the new life to which God now calls you.

Pictured here on the bottom right is Drew with Der Hayr, family, Godmother Berjoohy, Diane Willames (Sunday School Superintendent) and Merle Santerian (Parish Council Chair).



Member Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

July

Richard Weinsheimer - 1
 Fred Hess - 2
 Nazig Rafiyev - 2
 Linda Santerian - 2
 Sarkis Hashas - 3
 James Der Hagopian - 4
 Michael Hanamirian - 5
 Rose Minassian - 5
 Martin Attarian - 6
 Lynn Hajatian - 6
 Jon Sarkisian - 6
 Armen Alahverde - 7
 Alice Charles - 7
 Kim Willard - 7
 Melani Burrows - 9
 Antranik Garibian - 9
 Martin LeCompte - 9
 Andrea Alexanian - 10
 George Kangian - 10
 Maxwell Hanamirian - 11
 Artur Gyulnazaryan - 12
 Mary Jamgochian - 12
 Merle Santerian - 12
 Sarah Terkhanian - 15
 Garen Boghosian - 16
 Anne Terkanian - 17
 Judy Paretchan - 18
 Alex Alexanian - 19
 Susan DerHagopian - 20
 Janet Jordan - 20
 Robert Barone - 21
 Raffi Kaprielian - 21
 Garo Garibian - 22
 Jessica Jordan - 23
 Nicklas Terkanian - 23
 Lili Oflazian - 24
 Lindsey Santerian - 24
 Setta Nazarethian - 25
 Nochik Hovhannesian - 26
 Logan Radell - 26
 Peter Oskanian - 27
 Kristine Koengetter - 28
 Melissa Paretchan - 28
 Christine Peacock - 28
 Virginia Knott - 29
 Frederick Oskanian - 29
 Christine Temoyan - 29
 Krikor Kapeghian - 30
 Harry Sarkisian - 30

August

Breanna Asadoorian - 1
 Jessica Sarkisian - 1
 Gine Terkanian - 1
 Diana Boghosian - 2
 Michael Hanamirian Jr - 2

Rose Kalafian - 2
 Albert Santerian - 2
 Richard Doudoukjian - 3
 Elizabeth Kapeghian - 3
 Meredith Hanamirian - 4
 Heather Maloumian - 6
 Helen Mirijanian - 6
 Kristen Santerian - 9
 Ohannes Hashas - 10
 Mary Ohnigian - 10
 Adrienne Movsesian - 11
 Kelsey Sarkisian - 12
 John DerHagopian - 14
 Gregory Keshgegian - 14
 Hermine Bennuhan - 15
 Sarkis Dedeian - 15
 Norik Gyulnazaryan - 15
 Richard Maloumian - 15
 Robert Zane - 15
 Marguerite Arslanian - 17
 Kimberly Asadoorian - 17
 Stephanie Williams - 17
 Millie Asadourian - 18
 Larry Der Hagopian - 19
 Daniel Mazmanian - 19
 Nazareth Hajinian - 20
 Araxie Radynsky - 20
 George Nazarethian - 22
 Mary Sarkisian - 22
 Tavit Murray - 23
 Azlen Oskanian - 23
 Harry Santerian - 23
 Azlen Theobald - 23
 Albert DerPilbosian - 24
 Sue Injaian - 26
 Helen Kazigian - 26
 Aram Kumkumian - 28
 William McGarvey - 28
 Arthur Baldadian - 30
 Richard Maloumian - 30
 Cate Zane - 31

September

Mary Kapeghian - 1
 Gary DerHagopian - 3
 Gianna Tancredi - 3
 Jenna Tancredi - 3
 Andrew Movsesian - 5
 Paul Oflazian Jr - 6
 Marie Hagopian - 7
 Stephanie Hajatian - 7
 Richard Nalbandian - 8
 Patrice Keshgegian - 10
 Mark Santerian - 10
 David Santerian - 12
 Ani Gargan - 14
 Vahan Paretchan - 16
 Annabelle Alexanian - 17

David Brann - 18
 John Alexanian - 19
 Alice Andonian - 19
 Arpena Hajatian - 19
 John Juskalian Jr - 19
 John Lillis - 21
 Valerie Santerian - 21
 Diana McGarvey - 23
 Clarence Kalenian - 25
 Ani Peckjian - 25
 Christopher Boyajian - 26
 Christopher Owens - 28
 Robert Ohnigian - 29



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

July

Albert & Naomi Kapeghian - 7/3/1954
 Sarkis & Katie Hashas - 7/12/1959
 William & Diana McGarvey - 7/12/1986
 Mark & Silva Santerian - 7/16/1988
 Ohannes & Nezihe Hashas - 7/20/1955
 Antranig & Sabrina Garibian - 7/25/2009
 Garen & Diana Boghosian - 7/27

August

Michael & Lynn Hajatian, Jr. - 8/12/1972
 Paul & Leslie Movsesian - 8/18/1990
 Vartan & Elize Mazmanian - 8/19/1962
 Ara & May Arzoumanian - 8/27/2005
 George & Setta Nazarethian - 8/27/1950
 Gary & Sonia Papazian - 8/28
 Serge & Adrienne Minassian - 8/31/1957

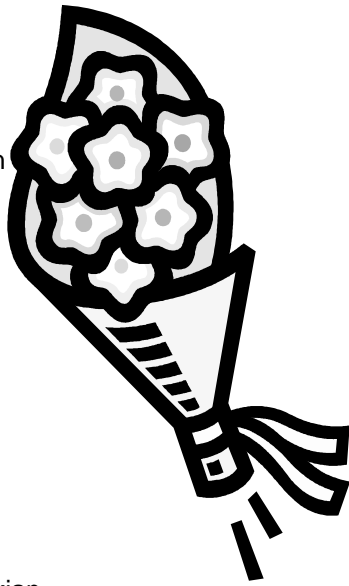
September

Fred & Michele Oskanian - 9/3/1994
 Sarkis & Sona Nalbandian - 9/8/1976
 Kim & Gena Willard - 9/9/2001
 Peter & Theresa Hovnanian - 9/14/1986
 Robert, Sr & Lorraine Damerjian - 9/15/1962
 George & Marguerite Arslanian - 9/19/1965
 Robert, Jr & Melody Damerjian - 9/19/1993
 Van & Suzanne Injaian - 9/24/1961
 Michael & Dori Juskalian - 9/26/1998
 Harry & Valerie Santerian - 9/29/1996
 John, Jr & Adrienne Juskalian - 9/29/1984

InLieu of Flowers

Elizabeth Arslanian

Aram and Lucy Aghazarian
Judy, Sid & Winnie Arslanian
Mrs. Nancy Derderian
Hagop and GERALYN Derkrikorian
Rose Lousinian
John and Ruth Melian
Evelyn Meranshian
Rosanne Sarkissian
Andrea Windsor
Nauver Zerounian
NEW TOTAL: \$7,467.00



LOOYS Donation

Fr. Arten & Yn. Mary Ashjian
Melinee Derassouyan
Mary & Harry Injaian
Victoria Kachadourian
in Memory of Khoren Kerbeckian
John & Ruth Melian
Mesrob & Grace Odabashian
Nauver Zerounian



Aid for Friends

Holy Trinity ACYOA Jrs.

In Memory of Arsen Hanamirian

Anna Hanamirian
David & Lisa Semerjian
Mark & Dorothy Hanamirian

In Memory of Varsenia, Marcina, Garabed & Nartoochi Mukalian and Siranoush & Hymayag Torigian

Mr. George and Ms. Melinda Mukalian

In Memory of George, Margaret & Ara Tatoian

John Tatoian

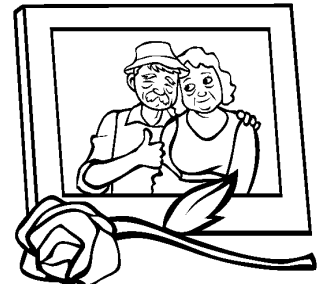
In Memory of John

Kapeghian

Larry and Jeanette Der
Hagopian
Karnig and Alice
Torossian

Deacon Fund

Garo Garibian



Donation to the Choir

Carol and Robert Temoyan in honor of their first grandchild, Sophie, daughter of Laura and Alex Yavru Sakuk.

A \$500.00 Story

I have hardly ever won any chances, prizes or lotteries in my life. It is just my luck. A few weeks ago I was upstairs serving at a Baptism and as I was walking up the aisle to go to the back of the church, my sister Tanya jumped in front of me and said, "You just won the \$500.00 Men's Club drawing downstairs at the coffee hour drawing and you should donate it back to the church!"

So, since I never disobey my sister ("The General"), I would like to donate this \$500.00 to the church in honor of my dear sister, Tanya. For those of you who don't have a sister like our Tanya, you don't know what you are missing. Our Hyarpie has never really left us.

Garo Garibian MD



Congratulations

I would like to gift the \$50.00 honorarium from the Pica/Tookmanian family back to the Altar Fund in tribute to the newly Baptized **Brennan Michael Pica**.

Congratulations to the Pica and Tookmanian families on the joyous occasion of the Baptism and Christening of their beautiful young son, Brennan Michael, who is the newest member of our Holy Trinity Parish. We all look forward to watching him grow up in the Church following the path of our Lord.

Garo Garibian MD

Easter Yughakin 2010

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ajemian
 Armen and Doris Alahverde
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Altoonian
 John Arslanian
 Mr. and Mrs. George Arslanian
 Mr. Hagop Arzoumanian
 Mr. and Mrs. Steven Aslanian
 Mr. and Mrs. Martin Attarian
 Armenoui Aznavurian
 Baker Family
 Robert and Mary Baker
 Mr. and Mrs. Steven Balint
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barone
 Mrs. Armena Bartow
 Nancy and Gloria Basmajian
 Mrs. Hermine Bennuhan
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bidilikian Jr.
 Mr. and Mrs. David Brann
 Florence Boyajian
 Rich and Rose Carlucci
 Alice Charles
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Damerjian Sr.
 Mrs. Florence Dandegian
 Mr. and Mrs. Larry Der Hagopian
 Mr. and Mrs. Hagop Ergenian
 Ani and Ronnie Gooshian
 Mr. and Mrs. Antranik Hacikian
 Mr. and Mrs. Hacatur Hashas
 Mr. and Mrs. Ohannes Hashas
 Mr. and Mrs. Sarkis Hashas

Elizabeth Hovsepien
 Mary and Pearl Jamgochian
 Fred and Janet Jordan
 Jeannine Juskalian
 Harry and Rose Kalafian
 George and Mary Kangan
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kapeghian
 Elizabeth Kapeghian
 Ms. Alice Karabian
 Mr. John Kash
 Ronald A. Kashkashian
 Philip and Marie Kazanjian
 Dr. and Mrs. Albert Keshgegian
 Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Killian
 Mrs. Virginia Knott
 Mr. and Mrs. Aram Kumkumian
 Hank and Brenda LeCompte
 Mrs. Arpine Lulejian
 (in memory of my husband Ara
 Lulejian)
 Mr. and Mrs. Vartan Mazmanian
 Diane and William McGarvey
 Mrs. Rose Minassian
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mirijanian
 Jan Mirijanian
 Veronica Monokian
 Mr. and Mrs. George Nazarethian
 Ashot Nazarov
 Dr. and Mrs. O. Oskanian
 Don Parechan

Mrs. Mary Parnagian
 Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peacock
 Mrs. Merle Santerian
 Harry Sarkisian
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sarkisian
 Mr. and Mrs. Sarkis Sarkissian
 Ara and Virginia Shakarjian
 V. Shakarjian
 Mickey Sherian
 Denise Sisian
 Ed Tatoian
 Mr. John Tatoian
 Mr. Edward Terzian
 Mr. and Mrs. John Terzian
 Azlen Oskanian Theobald
 & Family
 Rose Thomassian
 Angel and Michael Tookmanian
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Meditation by Dn. Albert Keshgegian

(based on the Epistle reading for the day)

Armenian Church Commemoration of St. Vahan of Koghtn (Vahan Koghtnatzi)

(this year celebrated on August 2)

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. (Rom. 8:14-17)

He was the son of an Armenian prince. He was taken by the Arabs at the age of four, in 707, when the Arabs persecuted the Armenians and killed his father. He grew up in the royal court at Damascus and was instructed in Islam. Because of his talents, he was made a chancellor.

This was the position of St. Vahan of Koghtn until 719 when the Armenian catholicos, St. John of Otzoon, arrived in Damascus and obtained the agreement of the emir for captive Armenians to be repatriated. Vahan, aware of his Christian and princely heritage, wanted to return to Armenia. The emir wanted Vahan to remain at court but agreed that he could go when Vahan promised that he would return. When the emir died a year later, Vahan felt released from his promise and decided to remain in Armenia. He married an Armenian princess and lived quietly for about 10 years, on the lands that had previously been his father's.

The new emir, however, sought to bring Vahan back. When the Arabs came for him, Vahan was forced to escape, to leave his family and wander from place to place. Everywhere he went his presence endangered the inhabitants. He finally decided to surrender. The emir offered him a high position, authority, and wealth, but Vahan refused, preferring his freedom to worship Christ. The emir had him imprisoned, tortured, and finally martyred, in 737.

The Old Testament characterized God as powerful and mysterious. Someone to be feared, to regard with awe and reverence. When Moses asked God what his name was, he replied only, "I am who I am". The Jews called him Lord, regarding the actual word for God as too sacred to be spoken. They wrote the name without vowels as the cryptic YHWH. This word is probably a form of the verb "to be"; the more recent words Yahweh and Jehovah derive from it.

Jesus brought us a new understanding of God. Jesus was God's Son; God was Jesus' father. And God wanted all of us to become his children by believing in him. Jesus taught us to pray to "Our Father". God is not just transcendent, majestic and powerful. He personally loves each of us as his son or daughter and wants to be a part of our everyday lives. He wants to support, guide, teach, and protect us, just as any human father would.

St. Paul felt that relationship with God. In his letter to the Romans, he wrote that those who are led by the Holy Spirit, rather than their own sinful nature, are children of God. The Holy Spirit within us makes us God's children, and we can call him Abba! Father! just as Jesus did. And since we, like Christ, are God's children, we are, as he is, heirs to be glorified with him. But until that happens, we must endure sufferings that come our way, just as Jesus endured unspeakable suffering prior to his resurrection.

St. Vahan felt the power of the Holy Spirit within him. He knew that he was a child of God. How could he turn away from his Father? How could he betray the God who loved him so much? St. Vahan could never stop worshiping Christ. Whatever suffering he had to endure was worth it, as long as he remained God's child.

Through baptism, we are all privileged to be the sons and daughters of God, too. Do we ever think about what this means? It means that God is already in our lives, if we acknowledge him. It means that we need not worry, because he will see to our needs. We need not fear, because he will protect us. If we suffer, he will comfort us. We are never alone, because he is always with us. And whatever happens, God our Father offers us, his children, the hope of inheriting and sharing his entire kingdom and glory, together with Christ, his Son and our Lord.

Father, it feels so good to know that you care,
That you are not just the omnipotent God in heaven,
But also the power within our very being,
Giving us wisdom, counsel, and strength.
Thank you for your boundless love,
Through which you have accepted us as children,
And which bring us together, with you and your Son,
Into your heavenly family. Amen.





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Mother's Day Celebration

The Women's Guild of Holy Trinity celebrated the Women of our Church at the annual Mother's Day Dinner on Tuesday, May 11, 2010. The dinner was sponsored by 46 women and over 100 ladies accepted our invitation. Tavit Murray, son of Berjoohy Murray, prepared a delicious 3-course meal. Larry Der Hagopian Sr and his son Larry assisted in the kitchen along with Tavit's mother Berjoohy.

The evening began with wine and appetizers. We had time to talk to re-ignite old friendships. Our guests who had not met our new Yn. Ana had a chance to say hello. Der Hayr Hakob Gevorgyan blessed the table and performed a special Mother's Day's blessing. Fr. Vard Gjozdyan from Etchmiadzin assisted him. As our guests enjoyed dinner, the memorial and living tribute candles were lit.

Our guest for the evening was Robyn Fox who calls herself "The Mother of all Comedians". Her husband actually called her during the performance. We thought it was just part of the act but he really wanted to know where to find the mustard to make a sandwich!! Our guests left with a smile and memories of a pleasant evening.



The Women's Guild thanks the generosity of the following sponsors. We could not have planned, prepared, and presented this traditional program without their support!

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Women's Guild

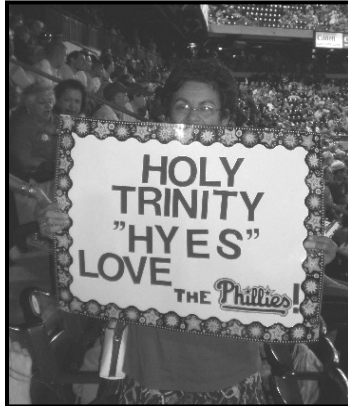
Spring finally arrived to the Philadelphia area! We celebrated April by getting out and about. Twenty ladies went to the Society Hill Playhouse to see "Respect". The show was a musical journey covering the progress of women.

We gathered at church on May 11 to celebrate Mother's Day. Over 100 women accepted our invitation to dinner that was graciously prepared by Tavit Murray and his staff.

Our culminating activity this year was something new. We have acquired a block of tickets to see our Fighting Phillie at Citizen's Bank Park. We are considering making this an annual activity.

With the advent of summer, our guild will slow down. The executive board is planning for the fall. We are open to suggestions. Please feel free to call or email any officer with an idea for a project or a trip.

Ladies, if you have not paid your 2010 membership dues, please take a minute to write a check for \$10 and send it to our treasurer Lorraine Damerjian.



Have a great summer! The Country Store will be open on Sundays. We'll see you on the second Tuesday in September!!!

Men's Club Report

On May 4th the Men's Club had their first dinner meeting of the year and once again Harry Sarkisian volunteered his annual service of providing the entire cost of the expenses, as well as performing the duty of head chef in the kitchen. What a treat the dinner was, starting with soup and salad and following with the main course, a delicious portion of pork, the "other white meat" with juicy mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables. For dessert, a slice of first class cheesecake from Harry's famed restaurant coated with chocolate dressing and served with coffee or iced tea. For those hearty enough to bear the offer, seconds were available.

Harry's kitchen aides were Larry Der Hagopian, John Terzian, Roman Radynsky and Harry Mirijanian. It was a pleasure to have the services of two younger members of our church, namely, Greg Sarkisian, Harry's son and Larry Der Hagopian Larry's son, tending to the bar. Dick Weinsheimer was in charge of admissions and Ara Shakarjian as always, handled the audio duties.

An audience of over forty attendees listened to our main speaker, our pastor, Der Hakob Gevorgyan, as he reviewed his pastoral background in the years preceding his arrival to become our permanent priest. Der Hayr was chosen in order to allow those members who might not have had the occasion to know him personally, to get better acquainted.

It was a memorable night and we thank everyone who helped to make it so successful, especially to Harry Sarkisian whose generosity and humility in serving our church, makes us all so proud to have someone like him as a member.

Harry Mirijanian, Chairman Holy Trinity Men's Club

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FEBRUARY 2010

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\$ 200 JOHN TERZIAN - #135
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\$ 100 MARY & PEARL JAMGOCHIAN - #167
\$ 100 HARRY SARKISIAN - #43

MARCH 2010

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MAY 2010

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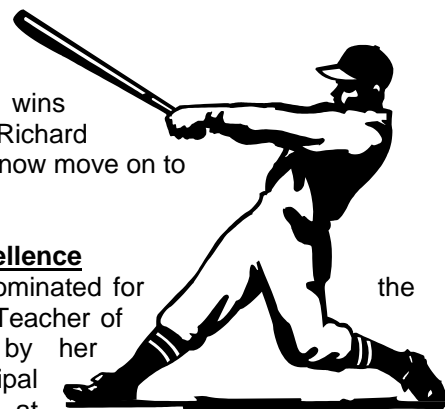
About our Family.....

Belated congratulations to Michael and Kristen Murray who were married just before Christmas. Warmest wishes for a healthy and happy life go out to them....Good luck to Michael Hajatian, Jr. who is now working in Boston for his company for the next year. We wish him the best.....It's back to the work force for Meredith Hanamirian. She was appointed Director of College Guidance at Moorestown Friends School, beginning in July. They are lucky to have her....Welcome to Lucas Aram Terkanian, first-born child of Nick and Amy Terkanian. We are delighted to add a new member to "our family." Congrats to the new parents as well as grandparents, George and Anne Terkanian and Don and Judy Parechan, AND Great-grandmother Mary Parechan!!....Good luck to David Brann who is off to a pilgrimage in Santiago de Compostela, Spain, the burial place of St. James. The Way of St. James is a 1200-year-old pilgrimage, considered the third most important site after Jerusalem and Rome. The walk will take about 15 days after which Marta will join him for some R&R....Sincere condolences to Steve and Nancy Hovnanian and their family on the passing of their mother and grandmother. She was a gracious and loving lady....Our young people are making the Holy Trinity family

proud. At this year's Diocesan Assembly, Antranig Garibian was elected Chairman of the Assembly (a four-day event), following in his father's footsteps. They may be the only father and son who have ever chaired the Diocesan Assembly over the years. And Leslie Movsesian, as Chairperson of Women's Guild Central Council, made an in-depth presentation to the Clergy Conference and then a shorter one at the General Assembly. In the words of our Der Hayr, they were both "perfect." No prejudice there, we are sure!!! Wedding bells rang in mid-June for our newest bride and groom, Tori and Anita Torcomian. From all reports, it was a very lively wedding! Congratulations to the happy couple and their families....We are happy to congratulate Noushig Hovhannesian, who was graduated from St. Joseph's University with a B.S. in Finance. Before she begins work, she'll be off to Armenia with a volunteer group for two months..... And best wishes to all of our graduates. May they be inspired to excel as they progress in their further education or careers.....Happy and safe summer to all.

Going, Going, Gone . . .

Richard C. Kazigian, grandson of Richard and Helen Kazigian and a sophomore at the Widener University and, helped his team reach the playoffs by pitching two 6 to 1 wins in their stretch run. Widener lost the first game, but won the second game 5 to 3 as Richard pitched a complete game. They won two games the next day to win the playoff and now move on to the NCAA finals.



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Starting in September

Language classes will begin in the Fall for both Eastern and Western Armenian. Classes will be held on Saturday mornings and will last approximately two

hours. A nominal fee for materials will be charged. Look for more details during the summer.

Also look for information about Bible Study classes beginning in the Fall.

Consecration of a Bishop

Details will be forthcoming about a trip to Armenia in October to witness our Diocesan Vicar, Very Rev. Haigazoun Najarian, being consecrated a Bishop of the Armenian Church.



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Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garen Boghosian
Godfather: Ara Boghosian
Godmother: Sylva Takvorian

April 18, 2010: **KARINA KHACHATRYAN** (adult)
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vartan Khachatryan
Godfather: Roman Meliksetov
Godmother: Nana Meliksetov

We welcome the following new dues-paying members to our church family:

- Artak Abgaryan
- Garen Boghosian
- Melinee Derassouyan
- Artur Gyulnazaryan
- Armen Kasyan
- Vahe Matinyan
- Emin Najaryan
- Gevorg Sedrakyan
- Zaven Yeghiazaryan



April 25, 2010: **BRENNAN MICHAEL PICA**
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Todd Pica
Godfather: Joseph Pica
Godmother: Christine Hoplamazian

June 5, 2010: **MATILDA JENNY ANOUSH VISHAB**
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vishab Jr.
Godfather: Gregory Shahan Yazujian
Godmother: Diane Hartunian Yazujian

June 26, 2010: **KONSTANTIN, EDWARD & LILIAN DANIELYAN**
Sons and Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arman Danielyan
Godfather: Narek Mnatsakanian

Adult Chrismation:

March 6, 2010: **RUZANNA ANNA ZAZIYANTS**

Weddings:

June 12, 2010:

TOROS TORCOMIAN & ANITA JAYAWANT

Best Man: Christopher Torcomian

June 27, 2010: **ALEXANDER JACOB ARZOUMANIAN**

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Ara Arzoumanian
Godfather: Harout Arzoumanian
Godmother: Hannah Qatan

Aid for Friends

We are cookin'....literally. We have been very busy these last few months with our outreach cooking and we can happily report that in the last three months (March, April and May) we delivered over two hundred meals to our designated freezer space. We have a good "formula" and thanks to the caring hearts of some many, we are able to provide a good number of meals on a regular basis. This quarter's cooks consisted of Mary Parnagian, Florence Boyajian, Rose Minassian, Setta Nazarethian, Alice Ohanessian, Armena Bartow, Sarah Terkhanian, Ayshe Chakmaklian, Rosemary Zarzatian and yours truly. Additionally, meals in April were made and donated by our ACYOA Jrs. and we sincerely thank them for their "stewardship in action."



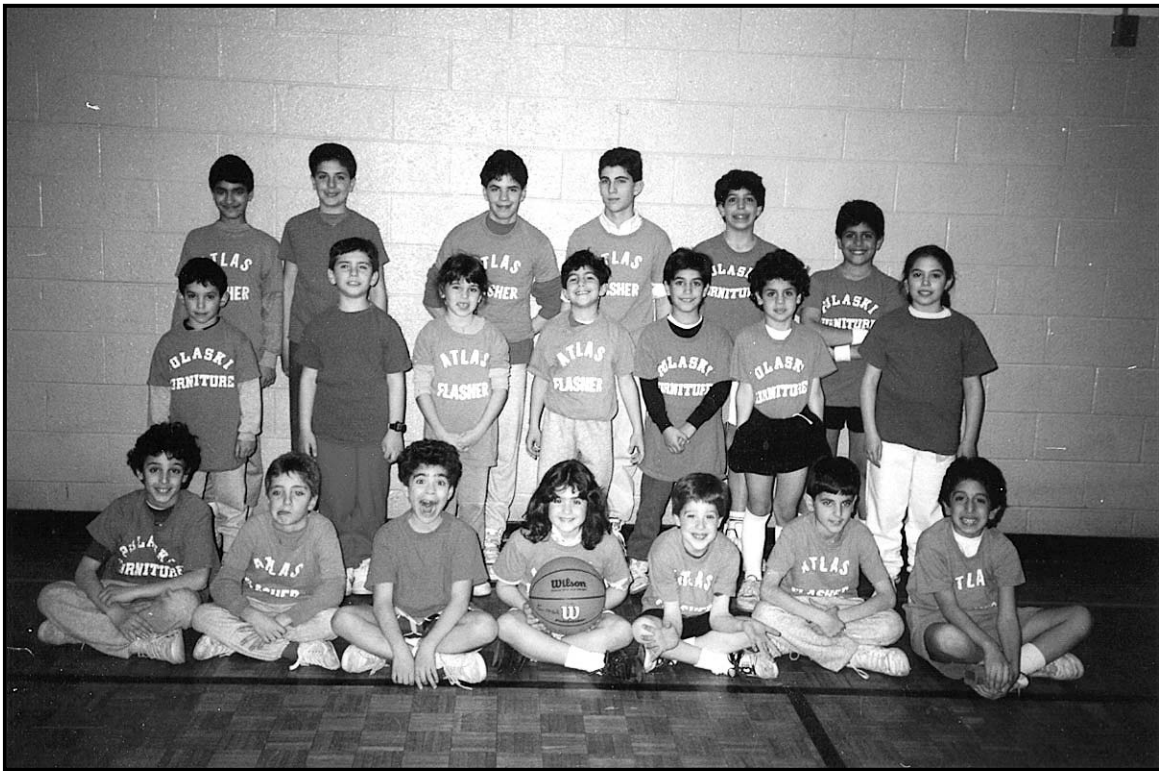
We also appreciate the food supplies donated by Angel Tookmanian used in our food preparation.



Hopefully, our cooking will continue through the summer. You know what they say – God doesn't take a vacation and those people for whom we provide meals still need to eat. If you can help us in any way – by cooking with us or donating funds to buy the supplies – it is always most welcome and appreciated. For any information, please call me.

*Gratefully,
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We would like to acknowledge the following donations received by the ACYOA Juniors:

- Mr. Harry Sarkisian made a donation of \$500.00 at the Palm Sunday Banquet to the ACYOA Juniors
- Tina and Marie Hagopian made a donation of \$100.00 at the Palm Sunday Banquet to the ACYOA Juniors
- Mr. Walter Bagian made a donation of \$200.00 to the ACYOA Juniors to be donated to CASP (Children of Armenia Sponsorship)

We would like to thank these individuals for their generosity.

Bowling

In March, the Holy Trinity ACYOA Juniors along with the ACYOA Juniors from Sts Sahag and Mesrob participated in a bowling party in Havertown. We had pizza and refreshments along with a great time bowling. Afterwards those who were able to, attended family game night at Sts. Sahag and Mesrob.

Palm Sunday Retreat

The weekend of Palm Sunday the ACYOA Juniors from both Holy Trinity and Sts. Sahag and Mesrob gathered at Holy Trinity for a Palm Sunday retreat. We were honored once again to be led by Father Stepanos Doudoukjian. Our theme for the retreat was "is the glass half empty or half full." We talked about the events of Jesus' life right before Easter. After our discussion, our very own priest, Father Hakob, showed us how to make nushkhars in our kitchen. Thank you Fathers Stepanos and Hakob! By: Natalie Movsesian



Palm Sunday Banquet

Our Palm Sunday Banquet was a great success this year! The banquet was sponsored by Donna Sarkisian and her family in memory of her daughter, Nicole DerHagopian. We had a great program. Mrs. Gena DerHagopian Willard, cousin of Nicole Der Hagopian provided a special memory of Nicole. Rev. Father Stepanos Doudoukjian, Director of Youth and Vocations at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary, was our guest speaker. Then Rev. Father Hakob Gevorgyan gave the Benediction. We also enjoyed a wonderful musical performance by Mrs. Evelina Diloyan. Thank you to all of our ACYOA members who served at the banquet; and thank you to all of the parishioners who supported our Easter Flower Sale this year. The funds we raised from the flower sale will be donated to CASP (Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program). By: Brenda Yazujian

Mid Atlantic Retreat

On the weekend of Friday, April 9-11th, the ACYOA Juniors from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Washington D.C came together for a Mid-Atlantic retreat at the Don Bosco Retreat Center in Stony Point, NY. From our parish, Brenda Yazujian, Natalie Movsesian, Skye Jilajian, and Ani and Alise Peckjian joined approximately 30 students from 6 Armenian churches attending the event. Our group was graciously driven to the retreat and chaperoned by Mrs. Leslie Movsesian, Jennifer Morris, the Diocesan Coordinator of Youth Outreach, began the retreat on Friday night with pizza, icebreakers, and basketball. The next day we had several discussions about our faith and about the theme of the weekend: "The Harvest is Plentiful." We took a nature walk around the center and did a few team activities that helped all of us grow closer together as a group. We played Hye Q, an Armenian "Trivial Pursuit" that was made recently by the Diocese, and then ended our day with a beautiful evening service led by Der Stepanos Doudoukjian. The next day we woke up to warm weather and got dressed for Church. We drove to St. Nersess Armenian Seminary for Divine Liturgy and for St. Nersess' 3K Walk of Faith, for which many students were sponsored by parishioners of their respective churches. After walking around the surrounding areas, we came back to the seminary for refreshments and a chance to talk and enjoy the rest of the day. The weekend allowed Armenian youth to have fun together and become spiritually stronger. By: Ani Peckjian



ACYOA Juniors Fall Sports Weekend 2010



Dear Holy Trinity Armenian Church Parishioner,

Date: May 25, 2010

The Philadelphia suburbs is the location of this year's ACYOA Juniors Fall Sports Weekend from October 8th through the 11th. This is the first time that the ACYOA Juniors of Holy Trinity and Sts. Sahag and Mesrob will be hosting this weekend together. Please help our teens plan a great weekend by purchasing an advertisement for the 2010 Program book, our ONLY fundraiser.

Sports Weekend attracts over 200 Armenian youth, age 13 to 18, from all churches of our Eastern Diocese. It provides a fun filled weekend of Christian fellowship and sportsmanship. Our youth are given the opportunity to worship together, play in both team and individual sports, and to socialize and strengthen their friendships throughout this weekend. For many of our children, participation in ACYOA Jrs. is the first step towards seeing themselves as a vital part of the Armenian Church and its future.

The opportunity to host this year's event is a direct result of our teens' efforts. Last fall, the combined team of members from Holy Trinity and Sts. Sahag and Mesrob enjoyed much success as first place winners in all team sports and winners of the male and female good sportsmanship award. Our teens winning streak continued when they were awarded the opportunity to host this year's event. Please support our teens "winning efforts" by purchasing an advertisement for your business or a personal message for your teen in the 2010 Program book.

The ACYOA Jrs is a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization and all donations are tax deductible. Your contribution and sponsorship of an ad page will provide your business with great exposure to the Philadelphia Armenian community and our teens with the necessary moral support. Thank you for your participation.

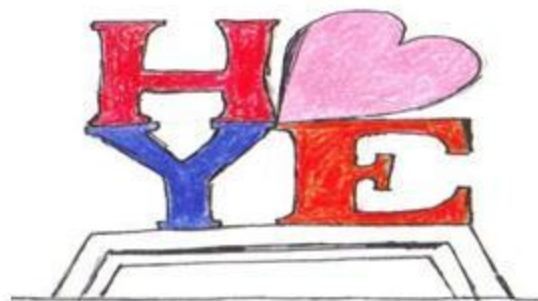
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Mortgage Burning Celebration

About 150 enthusiastic people gathered on Saturday, May 8 in Santerian Hall to celebrate the elimination of our church's mortgage. It has been almost 10 years since we embarked on Project 2000 to expand and renovate our church's fellowship hall, offices, restrooms, kitchen, and storage facilities, and this wonderful event marked the culmination of the project.

The Mortgage Elimination Committee consisted of young adults from our parish, including Gregory Andonian, Robert Barone, Larry D. DerHagopian, Melissa DerPilbosian, Antranig Garibian, Sabrina Garibian, Karinne Hovnanian, Amy Terkanian and Nicklas Terkanian. Their goal of raising \$22,000 was met and surpassed four weeks prior to the event, with total donations totaling over \$30,000. Also, a gigantic pyramid displaying all of the "donation blocks" used to pay off the mortgage was built by our ACYOA Juniors (led by Brenda Yazujian and Natalie Movsesian), featuring pictures of donors as well as messages and pictures in memory of those who have passed on to eternal life. The response to this appeal was overwhelming and speedy, and deep appreciation goes to those generous donors. (See separate listing in the Looys.)



With the mortgage officially eliminated, the committee's efforts turned to the Mortgage Elimination Celebration, and those that attended were treated to a very special and memorable evening. A lavish buffet consisting of savory and sweets was planned and presented by Anne Terkanian, Berjoohy Murray, Carol Temoyan, Liz Barone, Gina Terkanian, Larry and Jeanette Der Hagopian, along with assists from Joyce Killian, Nancy Hovnanian, and Sylva Andonian.

Early in the evening, a short program was held. Following remarks by Fr. Hakob and Parish Council Chairperson Merle Santerian, a short video created by Antranig Garibian ("What Do You Love About Your Church") was shown, followed by a very special Mortgage Burning Ceremony. At the conclusion of the ceremony, those people who were members of the old church at Marshall and Susquehanna Streets were invited to put pieces of the actual mortgage into an urn, thereby "burning the mortgage." More than fifty people were a part of that group and

while they were lighting their piece of the mortgage, our young people told us all the many things (and people) for which they were thankful.

A live band of Armenian musicians (some of whom graciously donated their services) provided entertainment for the evening and the dancing began! It was an exciting evening at Holy Trinity and one that will long be remembered by those in attendance.

Someone once said "before you plan your future, you must understand your past." So true after witnessing the multi-generational faces that were present on this memorable night. It was a sight to behold.

Thank you to all our donors who participated in this final drive to eliminate the mortgage, Thanks go to the entire committee and to the Parish Council for spearheading this event and seeing it through to its conclusion.



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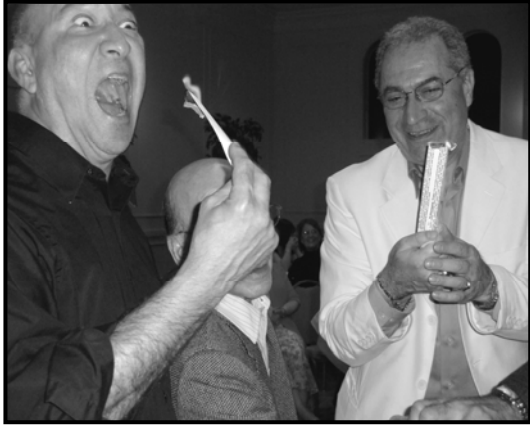
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April 6, 2010

Re: A Wonderful Easter

Dear Friends:

On behalf of our families, please accept our most sincere gratitude for your involvement in Sunday's bone marrow drive. We are pleased to report that the twelve participating churches generated over six hundred new samples for the Armenian and National banks.

In addition to the clergy and parish councils that made this endeavor possible, we wish to convey special thanks to the volunteers who dedicated themselves to organize and conduct the events. And, of course, our very heartfelt appreciation goes to the potential donors whose generosity may give a lease on life not only to our dear Charlotte but to others in need .

Paraphrasing our famous late countryman, William Saroyan, sometimes there are not words to accurately and satisfactorily express one's emotions. This inspirational experience has been such an occasion.

With warmest best wishes, I am

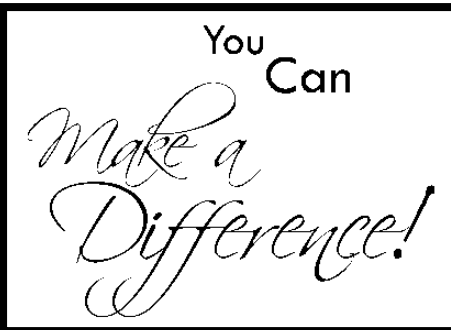
Yours sincerely,



Ps: Please refer anyone who wants to participate, but was unable to on Sunday, to the website: <http://join.bethematch.org/charlottesmatch> and click on "Join Now" and use the promo code "CharlottesMatch".

Dear Parish Member,

It's an exciting time for Holy Trinity Armenian Church. Our new year began with the arrival of our **new pastor, Der Hakob Gevorgyan**, and in the Spring, we "**burned the mortgage**" on the Project 2000 renovation.



We have a beautiful sanctuary as the mainstay of our church complex and though it is not used daily, the costs to maintain it are significant. In fact, it has been calculated that keeping our doors open every day of the year costs almost \$700 – whether used or not.

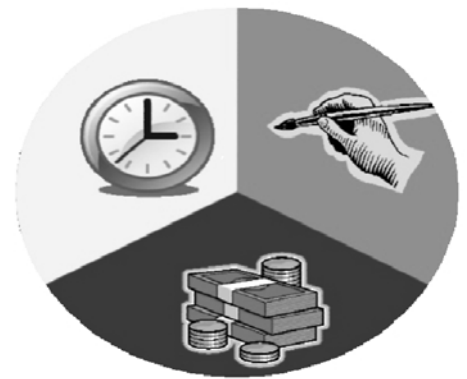
Of course, there are many other costs associated with having a living church – one that teaches and lives the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our membership dues cover only a small fraction of the needed funds, so in 2005 we began a Stewardship Program to help pay for day-to-day costs.

If we believe the above words from Scripture, we appeal to you to prayerfully consider how you can help our church remain vital and vibrant. Your stewardship commitment for this year is needed to help us meet the budgeted figure of \$34,000 that was passed at our Parish Assembly. We ask you, as part of our church family, to take "ownership" of our spiritual home, just as we do our physical homes.

If you have any questions, we encourage you to call any member of the Parish Council. We are here to answer your questions and concerns.

Sincerely,

Holy Trinity Parish Council



As you pass our lovely church, be sure to plan a visit
So at last when you're carried in, God won't ask "Who is it?"

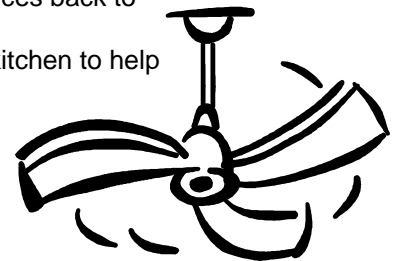
Stewardship in Action



Special thanks are extended to the following people who have so generously given of their time, talent and treasure for the benefit of our church:

- Betty Kapeghian who has been stepped down as "proofreading editor" of our *Looy's* these last several years. She's spending more time babysitting – and enjoying - her precious grandson Luke.
- Kim Willard of Economy Roofing who donated his services back to the church after completing necessary repairs
- George Terkanian for installing two ceiling fans in the kitchen to help cool the room when the ladies are cooking
- Ed Terzian who is one of the first people to arrive every Sunday morning to put the coffee on
- John Kash, though he does not have an "official title"

at church, is there regularly during the week and checking on all these things that most of us don't even think of.



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(If joint pledge, then enter total for person listed above and spouse.)


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Signature: _____ Date: _____

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2010 Membership Form

Membership Dues for 2010.....\$ _____

Total for all dues paying members. Annual dues per person:

***\$260.00 Adult Membership (21 & over)**

***\$150.00 Seniors (age 65+)**

***\$75.00 Students (ages 18 -22)**

A dues paying member of Holy Trinity Armenian Church must be at least 18 years of age and pay the required annual dues in order to be a member in good standing.

Please list the names of those who wish to be dues paying members:

Name _____ DoB _____

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Signature: _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please mail this form to the church office as soon as possible. If you have any questions about how to complete this form, please call the church office (215-663-1600).

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Items for inclusion in the Sunday Messenger or requests for Requiem Services or Special Prayers should be sent to the church office by Wednesday for the upcoming Sunday. For all emergencies, please contact Rev. Fr.

Hakob Gevorgyan at the church or Parish Council Chair,
 Merle Santerian (215-947-3777 or 215-205-1507).



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