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Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church



LOOYS



Cheltenham, PA

January to March 2015

We Not Only **Survived**....We **Thrive**



Look for the sign on the Schuylkill Expressway
(Route 76) near the Spring Garden exit

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

Read what's been happening at our
church and be a part of what's
coming up!

Pray **U**ntil **S**omething **H**appens

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THE NINTH COMMANDMENT

“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor” (Exodus 20:16)



Who is our neighbor? Is it the one who lives on our street, next door or any other person? The Hebrew word neighbor has many meanings. It can mean brother, friend, husband, neighbor, opponent or any other person.

Now it is clear, our neighbor is everyone; and, we should not give false testimony against anyone. Even though this commandment is old, it has never lost its value. St. Paul said, “But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ...” (Ephesians 4:15); or, “Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear” (Ephesians 4:29). Very often we can catch ourselves in this sin. That’s why we should be on our guard. If we can’t control our tongues and deeds, then we can get into big trouble.

In talking about this sin, we can read in the Old Testament that it originated in the Garden of Eden. “But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?”. He said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” God said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate” (Genesis 3:9-12).

This situation is very common in our daily life. We all are imperfect and we all make mistakes. But that is not the end of the world. Our Lord gave us a great opportunity by taking all our sins upon Himself and dying on the cross for our transgressions which allows us to repent of our sins and be forgiven. Unfortunately, many people prefer to use Adam’s tactics (blame others) to cover their sin. We can cover our sins from the people but not from God, because He is omnipotent, omnipresent and omniscient. It is always easy to blame Eve (other people) and give false testimony against them. But it is better to speak the truth, because the truth is a strong shield and it can protect us at all times.

People also give false testimony about others because of jealousy. For such people the Bible says, “Whoever digs a pit will fall into it, and a stone will come back on the one who starts it rolling” (Proverbs 26:27). The truth is like a shining light that no one can hide. If we give false testimony against anyone, we gain nothing; but if we speak the truth, then we gain everything.

Dear parishioners, let us always be careful how we use our thoughts, words and deeds.

With prayers,
Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan

“Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.”

Matthew 7:1-2

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

How quickly the ten years have gone by and this is my last report.

We had another exciting, busy and successful year in which the spiritual and warmth grew even more thanks to the efforts of Der Hayr. Although we gained 10 new members, we were not able to offset the number of those regular members who passed away during last year. Thus, our voting membership stands at 233.

Our Church School is growing and has a bright future as you can see from the many youngsters (under 5) who attend regularly. Despite their reduced membership, the Men's Club and Women's Guild continued their fine work in both their financial support and readiness to serve where and when needed.

Our major fund-raising events included the 80th Anniversary Banquet enhanced with awards to some of our stewards who have served the church for many years. The banquet had the largest turnout that I had ever seen. Our always successful bazaar had good turnouts and produced more income for our church. We followed that with an equally exciting and fun event, again with a record number of attendees, celebrating the fifth anniversary of Der Hakob's pastorate with us.



Major projects completed included replacement of the walk-in freezer and refrigerator (\$22,000); purchase of new chairs for the hall; replacement of the stand up refrigerator; repair of the hall entrance pillars; sealing and re-striping the parking lot; installation of power-saving LED lights for the parking lot; installation of surveillance cameras around the building; and completion of our tree planting project.

Other accomplishments included printing of the LOOYS in color, the Church School nursery upgrade, and the initiation of our Religious Education program which included the "Walk Through the New Testament," Bible Studies for both men and women, young mothers' seminars and our annual Lenten Series.

Financially, by year's end, we exceeded our goal of breakeven without using investment growth although there were variances to the budget.

Our goal in 2015 is to increase membership and to help our newcomers get more involved in the Church activities. The new Council will have John Hanamirian, Brian Hoyle and Larry D. Der Hagopian replacing outgoing members Steve Aslanian, Bryan Peckjian and myself. Elections for the Executive Board within the Council will be held in late March after the LOOYS is printed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Council members since 2005, all of our voting members, our Stewards and our volunteers for their efforts and financial help as well as the visiting clergy and especially Der Hakob, all of whom have helped build our church and create an atmosphere of welcome to all.

May our future stay bright!

Respectfully,

John Kash

John Kash
Chairman





Join the ACYOA Juniors

What is the ACYOA?

The ACYOA (Armenian Youth Organization of America) is an organization made to help bring the youth of the Armenian Church together where they will gain a greater sense of their culture. It also will help the youth learn to take charge in leadership positions within our parish's ACYOA Juniors.

What do you do in ACYOA Juniors?

In ACYOA Juniors, there are many activities, events, and fundraisers that the youth take part in. One of these events is the upcoming Palm Sunday Banquet that is hosted by our parish's ACYOA Juniors. This includes serving food and showcasing talents for all the guests. Another big upcoming event would be the Mid-Atlantic Retreat that brings the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York parishes together for a weekend that will help the ACYOA Juniors form stronger bonds with God and meet new people too. Probably the biggest upcoming event would be Sports Weekend in Watertown, MA. The parishes compete in volleyball, basketball, chess and more. Activities in the ACYOA include trips to haunted houses, paintball, and go-kart racing. Many of these activities are spent with the St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Parish.

How do I join the ACYOA Juniors?

To join the ACYOA Juniors you must be 13-18 years of age and still be a high school student. Please contact our new co-parent advisors: Michele Oskanian or Melissa Paretchan for more info.

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Melissa Paretchan - melissaparetchan@gmail.com

THE WOMEN'S CORNER

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!! Although we no longer have a traditional Women's Guild, our ladies always rally to support our church. When planning for Der Hayr's 5th Anniversary Party, we knew we wanted to serve delicious desserts. Over thirty ladies heeded our call and delivered the sweetest treats to satisfy all palates. We certainly impressed our guests. In fact, we overwhelmed them with a dessert heaven!!

The annual Mitchink Luncheon was held on Sunday, March 15 in connection with Saintly Women's Day. This year's observance honored the women who perished during the Armenian Genocide. Nancy Basmajian thoughtfully prepared the service Der Hayr conducted in our sanctuary after Badarak. Many of our young women participated in the program. Following the service a delicious lenten luncheon was served in our hall. We thank Gay Hagopian, Berjoohy Murray, Alice Torossian, Lorraine Damerjian, Jeanette Der Hagopian, Merle Santerian, and our parishioners for supporting this successful event. Lastly, we thank Richard Weinsheimer for underwriting the luncheon in memory of his dear wife, Evelyn. Since one of our ongoing goals is to span the generations of our church, we directed a portion of our profits to the Vanadzor Old Age Home in Armenia and to CASP where we support four children.

Hopefully the cold winter will die a peaceful death. We are all looking forward to a beautiful spring season. If anyone has a suggestion for a spring outing, please share your ideas. We are always on the lookout for our next adventure, especially if it takes us out of the kitchen!!!!



Men's Club "200 CLUB" Winners

November 2014

\$1000 Tony Houghton #85
\$400 Edward Artarian #14
\$200 Haig Dadourian #193
\$200 Shant Kapeghian #76
\$200 Jack Vishab #23

December 2014

\$500 George Arslanian #107
\$200 Dave Donaldson #179
\$100 Larry Der Hagopian #69
\$100 Mickey Sherian #35
\$100 Harry Shaboian #154



January 2015

\$500 Kim Willard #65
\$200 George Mukalian #3
\$100 Ed Terzian #7
\$100 Mike Santerian #172
\$100 Ethel Terzian #147

February 2015

\$500 Mike Scutti #93
\$200 Paul Borian #151
\$100 Harry Kalafian #106
\$100 L. DerHagopian / John Arslanian #127
\$100 Joyce Hoyle #13



EASTER SERVICES 2015

Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church



April 2, 2015 Holy Thursday

7:00 PM - Washing of the Feet

8:00 PM - Betrayal and Passion of Our Lord



April 3, 2015 Great and Holy Friday

7:00 PM - The Entombment of Our Lord Jesus Christ



April 4, 2015 Great and Holy Saturday

Easter Eve

7:00 PM - Divine Liturgy

Following Liturgy - Home Blessing/Fellowship



April 5, 2015 Easter Sunday

The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

10:00 AM - Morning Services

10:30 AM - Divine Liturgy



HAPPY EASTER



A Reflection on the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide

by Dn. Albert Keshgegian



Truly, truly I say to you unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If any one serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also; if any one serves me, the Father will honor him. (John 12:24-26)

This Gospel reading is the one used most often for Hokehankist, the service for the repose of souls. The Genocide was horrible; many innocent people lost their lives. Many Armenians alive today lost grandparents, great grandparents, or other relatives. But the Gospel reading tells us that this is not the end. It talks about a grain of wheat. If the grain stays as it is, not much comes of it. But if it gets planted, and dies as a grain or seed, a beautiful or useful plant can grow. We don't see that grain anymore; it is gone. But in its place there is something even better.

Our lives are like that grain of wheat. We can live only so long and accomplish so much in this world. But after we die, if we have followed Christ and done his work, we have the opportunity to be with God and to enjoy the magnificence of heaven for all eternity.

There's another aspect to this story about the martyrs of the Genocide. The martyrs – the seeds – died a terrible death. Something good can come out of that death, even here on earth. This year, the Church is recognizing as saints those who died in the Armenian Genocide for their faith (the first persons to be recognized as saints by the Armenian Church since the 15th century!). Those martyrs can become role models for us, as ordinary people, some even from our own families, who demonstrated how important faith in Christ should be.

But, just as a plant needs someone to water it, fertilize it, and take care of it for it to grow, we have to help. We have to work together so that even more good comes out of the Armenian Genocide. We can work for recognition of the Genocide by all nations. And genocides aren't just in the past. They continue to occur. People are still being killed for their faith, an example being the recent murders of Coptic Christians by ISIS. We can work for condemnation of genocide in the future, for laws so that a similar event can never happen again. Our grandparents' and great grandparents' suffering and death can result in something good – like that seed turning into a plant – but only if we take action. We owe it to them, and to God.



We Remember with Love

Family and friends of Holy Trinity parishioners who passed away in 2014 participated in a “Day of Remembrance” or *Mere lotz* on Sunday, February 1. Following Badarak, Der Hakob spoke to the families saying, “Your loss is also a loss for us, your faith community, and we are here to comfort you.” The ceremony was a simple gesture on the part of the parish to let families know that they share their loss and remember. (In the Armenian Church, the dead are considered part of the corporate body of the living church.)

When Der Hakob invited representatives from each family to come forward, they processed to the chancel and, saying the name of their loved one, lit a candle from a center candle symbolizing Christ—the light of the world. Candles were lit by spouses, parents, children, and friends of the deceased as follows: Patty and Vaughn Alexanian, in memory of their daughter, **Stephanie Alexanian**; Harry Andonian, in memory of his wife, **Alice Andonian**; Barbara Harmon, in memory of her cousin, **Rose Ellen Campbell**; Valerie and Melissa DerPilbosian, in memory of **John DerPilbosian**, affectionately known as “Papa John;” Virginia Shakarjian, in memory of her mother, **Rebecca Garabed**; Bob Damerjian in memory of his cousin, **Ronald Gooshian**; Mickey Sherian, in memory of her friend, **Arik Kazanjian**; Michele Yeretian, in memory of her father, **Richard Nalbandian**; John and Janet Nazarethian in memory of their father, **George Nazarethian**; Nancy Wisely and Florence Boyajian, in memory (respectively) of mother and friend, **Setta Nazarethian**; Harry Mirijanian, in memory of his long-time friend, **Roman Radynsky**; and Bob Damerjian in memory of his friend, **John Tatoian**.

The candles remained lit in the chancel during the *hokehankisd* service which followed. Afterwards, parishioners and family members alike expressed how moved and inspired they were by the ceremony.



ACYOA Holy Land Trip 2014

By Krikor Javardian

From June 1st to June 9th, a group of nearly thirty senior ACYOA members traveled to Jerusalem and other holy sites to take part in their pilgrimage as Armenian Christians. The pilgrimage was generously funded by the Eastern Diocese and Mr. Aso Tavitian. The group was led spiritually by Archbishop Khajag Barsamian and Father Hovsep Karapetyan. Our group stayed at the Notre Dame Center right outside of Old City.

The pilgrimage was filled with remarkable and memorable experiences made while visiting holy cities and sites. Some of the ancient and holy sites we visited included the town of Bethlehem, Nazareth, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, the Sea of Galilee, Mount of Temptation, Mount of Ascension, St. Mary's Tomb, Garden of Gethsemane, the Holy Sepulcher, and the Tomb of Christ.



We also spent time in the cherished Armenian Quarter of Old City. In the Armenian Quarter, we visited the Armenian Patriarchate and Archbishop Nourhan Manougian. We also visited and participated in a Badarak service at St. James Monastery. We spent time with the Armenian seminarians and built relationships with many of the Armenians living and working in the Armenian Quarter.

My 2014 pilgrimage to Jerusalem was the second time I was able to make the spiritual journey to the Holy Land. This time around, I was able to absorb much more information as there is constant significance everywhere you turn. I was also able to build relationships with my fellow pilgrims, many of whom I met for the first time. This trip greatly helped me develop both spiritually by walking in the footsteps of Christ, and culturally as the Armenian presence in Jerusalem is deep-rooted and ubiquitous. Hopefully, I will one day be

able to return to the Holy Land to take in all of the spectacular sites and experiences it has to offer.

ABOUT OUR FAMILY

Yes, it's still Winter! It's been a bad one but we have hope for a glorious Spring around the corner....**Tavit Murray** is back in the restaurant business, now appearing as head chef at Cambridge (15th and South) and Hathaways (11th and Fitzwater). Stop in and see him – you know you'll get a fabulous meal....We continue to be blessed by new babies joining our church family. Congratulations to **Jimmy & Armena Keshgegian** who welcomed **Anoush Lily** in the last hours of 2014. Big sister **Maneh** will definitely show her the ropes! We congratulate them and grandparents **Patrice and Albert** – good tax deduction, Jimmy!...Happiness also showed up at the **Greg and Karinne Andonian** household with the arrival of **Lilit Armine**. She was joyfully welcomed by big brother **Stepan**, grandparents **Steve & Nancy Hovnanian** and great-grandmom **Zev Shakarjian**.With great sadness we learned of the devastating fire that destroyed the home and all the contents of **Douglas & Sharon Radynsky**. Roxie **Radynsky**, Doug's mother, had been living with them since the passing of her husband Roman. Thanks to the many members in our church who contributed to help in their time of need.....It was in sunny Puerto Rico where **Sam Silk** celebrated his 90th birthday with his whole family in tow – as a *surprise*! Best wishes from the HT family....Joy reigned for **Adrienne and Serge Minassian** who became first-time great-grandparents with the arrival on Madeline Zabelle. (See the five-generation picture below). This could be the first time we have encountered so many generations in one family. We are delighted for all of them.....Glad to share about some of our members who are on the mend: **Greg Javardian**, following hip surgery, and **Larry Der Hagopian**, after a fall. We are especially happy to see **David Brann** more frequently in church after a long absence because of medical issues. We pray for continuing better health for all of them.....If you're looking to downsize, scale down or just plain clean out, **Paul Movsesian** is your man! He'll do the work and you can sit back and relax. Good luck, Paul, in your new business venture.... Sadly, we lost two of our senior ladies with the passing of **Evelyn Weinsheimer**, an active Women's Guild member, and **Helen Vishab**, a beloved Sunday School teacher to the littlest ones for more years than most can remember. Our sympathies go out to their families.....There are no words to express our deep sadness for **Lucine and Ken King** and their children at the sudden, untimely passing of their older daughter, **Taline**. She is well remembered for her years in the Sunday School and even singing in the Choir at various times. When there is nothing else to do, we can pray that the Holy Spirit and the prayers of so many will help them through this sorrowful time in their lives.....Perhaps by the time this newsletter arrives in your mailbox, we'll be seeing signs of Spring. One can certainly hope!!!

FIVE GENERATIONS

We are so happy to celebrate the arrival of my great granddaughter: Madeline Zabelle Baker (9 days old). In the Five Generation picture, besides little Madeline, are my mother (great great grandmother, age 101) Rose Timourian, myself (great grandmother) Adrienne Minassian, my daughter (grandma) Yvonne Fereshetian and my granddaughter (baby's mom) Cerise Baker.

What a momentous occasion. We are truly blessed.

Adrienne Minassian



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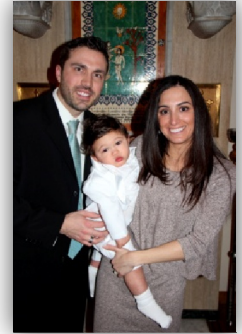
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BAPTISMS:



December 6, 2014: **LILITH ARMINE ANDONIAN**
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Andonian
Godfather: Vatche Artinian
Godmother: Linda Artinian

March 1, 2015: **COLE SARKIS KOENGETTER**
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Koengetter
Godfather: Joshua Koengetter
Godmother: Kristina Koengetter



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Family**

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FUNERALS: 2014

EVELYN WEINSHEIMER entered into her eternal rest on January 15, 2015. Funeral services were held on January 21, 2015 at Holy Trinity. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

HELEN VISHAB entered into her eternal rest on February 1, 2015. Funeral services were held on February 7, 2015 at Holy Trinity. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

Calendar of events

March 29 ~ Palm Sunday Banquet
April 2 ~ Washing of Feet & Passion Service
April 3 ~ Good Friday
April 4 ~ Easter Eve Service & Home Blessing/Fellowship
April 5 ~ Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord
April 10-12 ~ Genocide Symposium at St. Sahag & St. Mesrob
April 18 ~ Genocide Walk
April 23 ~ Martyrs' Day Commemoration at Sisters Academy
April 24 ~ Noon Rally at Love Park, Center City
 ~ Genocide Commemoration
 at Sts. Sahag & Mesrob

April 26 ~ CHURCH CLOSED
 ~ Bus to St. Vartan Cathedral in NY
 & Times Square rally for
 100th anniversary commemoration

May 7-10 ~ Washington, DC Genocide Commemoration
May 17 ~ Luncheon Celebrating the Aghtamar Cross & Ohannes Hashas
May 31 ~ Hantes and Picnic
June 7 ~ Church School Closing

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April

Albert & Linda Santerian 4/5/1964
George & Anne Terkanian 4/8/1972
Patrick & Joyce Killian 4/17/1971
Richard & Diane Doudoukjian 4/17/1977
Timothy & Cathy Gargan 4/17/ 1988
Larry & Dorothy Grocott 4/19/1968
Richard & Linda Vishab 4/20/1968
Nazareth & Narthy Hajinian 4/22/1956
Fred & Denise Hess 4/30/????
Harry & Anita Mirijanian 4/30/1949

May

John & Margaret Leck 5/2/1964
Larry D. & Kimberly Der Hagopian 5/5/2012
Robert & Carol Temoyan 5/7/1972
Herbert S. & Azlen Theobald 5/10/2003
Michael, Jr. & Melissa Paretchan 5/13/2006
Robert & Jean Ohnigian 5/14/1994
Gregory & Grace Meranshian 5/16/1982
David & Alyssa Santerian 5/17/1992
Thomas & Francesca Torcomian 5/17/1980
Peter & Robin Bilazarian 5/22/1977
Janice & Christopher Owens 5/24/????
John & Diane Williams 5/24/1980
Stephen & Nancy Hovnanian 5/24/1975
Gregory & Diane Yazujian 5/25/1985
Arthur & Casey Baldadian 5/27/1976
Michael & Legna Santerian 5/28/2002
Fred & Janet Jordan 5/30/1992
John & Meredith Hanamirian 5/30/????

June

Berj & Mary Yeretzian, Sr 6/3/1950
Robert & Mary Sarkisian 6/6/????
Martin & Deskouhy Attarian 6/7/1952
Nicklas & Amy Terkanian 6/9/2007
Ronald & Millicent Asadoorian 6/9/1963
Tos & Anita Torcomian 6/12/2010
Harry & Mary Injaian 6/15/1952
Ohannes & Nezihe Hashas 6/20/1955
Russ & Maggie Tandourjian 6/21/1958
Jennifer & Greg Ermentrout 6/22/2012
Johnny & Marcelle Alexanian 6/22/2014
Kristine & Jonathan Koengetter 6/28/2008



Happy Anniversary!!!

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BIRTHDAYS

April

Lucille Thomassian - 1
Erika Hajatian - 2
Todd Pica - 2
Nezihe Hashas - 3
Jake Terkanian - 4
Gena Willard - 4
Christine Williams - 4
Christine Boyajian - 5
Etienne Boyajian - 5
Michael Paretchan - 5
Jeanette Der Hagopian - 6
Virginia Shakarjian - 6
Megan Aslanian - 7
Narek Gevorgyan - 7
Harout Nalbandian - 7
Maggie Tandourjian - 11
Harry Andonian - 13
Kalie Kalustyan - 13
Lynne Asadourian - 14
Berjouhy Bosnian - 14
Ani Gooshian - 14
Veron Monokian - 14
Tanya Paretchan - 14
Elize Taylor Radall - 15
Vani Hanamirian - 17
Satenik Gyulnazaryan - 19
Silva Hovhannesian - 19
Viola Karagheuzian - 19
Alexander Oskanian - 21
Madeleine Theobald - 22
Donald Paretchan - 23
Rita Stepanian - 23
Pauline Chapjian - 25
Ani Javardian - 25
Richard Kazigian - 25
Cathy Gargan - 26
Anita Mirijanian - 26
Cole Owens - 26
Lorraine Damerjian - 28

May

Dorothy Grocott - 1
George Terkanian - 1
Ankine Kapeghian - 5
Jack C. Goushian - 7
John Paul Santerian - 7
Christopher Bennuhan - 9
Harry Injaian - 9
Lauren Mukalian - 9
Brenda LeCompte - 9
Paul Oflazian - 10
Andrea LeCompte - 10
Patrick Killian - 11
Stephanie Balint - 12
Diane Doudoukjian - 12
Tomas Montanez - 12
Zachary Hajinian - 14
Daniel Dunigan - 15
Tavit Murray - 15
Melissa DerPilbosian - 16
Silva Santerian - 17

Elias Terkanian - 18
Kayli Tancredi - 18
Ana Torcomian - 18
Diane Yazujian - 18
Ronald Asadoorian - 19
Peter Bilazarian - 20
Albert Kapeghian - 20
Mark Keshgegian - 21
Ara Shakarjian - 21
Paul G. Bogosian - 21
Beatrice Brown - 22
Stephen Hovnanian - 22
Gary Papazian - 22
Lucas Terkanian - 22
Gustavo Alexanian - 23
Richard Vishab - 23
Krikor Javardian - 24
April Kumkumian - 24
Lori Vishab - 25
Garro Hovnanian - 26
Audrey Movsesian - 28
Cameron Santerian - 28
Edward Attarian - 30
Denise Hess - 30
Mikaela Juskalian - 30
Gregory Meranshian - 31

June

Patyl Oflazian - 1
Ethel Terzian - 1
Alexandra Brod - 3
Paul Terkanian - 5
Bryan Peckjian - 6
Barbara Harmon - 7
Alyssa Santerian - 7
Tylene Peckjian - 9
Ines Alexanian - 13
Shannon King - 13
Ernest Peacock - 13
Mary Injaian - 14
Dominique Damerjian - 15
Herbert S. Theobald - 15
Tom Harmon - 17
Harry Kalafian - 18
Claire Theobald - 18
John Chalikian - 20
Germaine Hashas - 21
Narthy Hajinian - 22
Carol Temoyan - 22
Steven Balint - 23
Susan Lillis - 23
Yn. Anna Gevorgyan - 24
Ken King - 24
Seta Pica - 24
Chloe Dunigan - 25
Sarine Kaprielian - 26
Berj Yeretzian Jr. - 26
Rosemary Zarzatan - 27
Gregory Javardian - 30

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Because of space limitations, we are unable to list the individual donors who have contributed to in lieu of flowers, but each family has been provided with the complete listing donated in memory of their loved one. With deep appreciation, we gratefully acknowledge the memorial donations for those who have fallen asleep in Christ.

ALICE ANDONIAN
NEW TOTAL: \$ 2,780.00

GEORGE NAZARETHIAN
NEW TOTAL: \$5,150.00

SETTA NAZARETHIAN
NEW TOTAL: \$3,605.00

RICHARD NALBANDIAN
NEW TOTAL: \$1,125.00

EVELYN WEINSHEIMER
TOTAL: \$3,645.00

HELEN VISHAB
TOTAL: \$7,205.00

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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On January 25, 2015, our church hosted a celebration to honor Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan's five-year anniversary as our Parish Priest. The party maxed out capacity at Santerian Hall with nearly 350 attendees – a testament to the love and respect shared for Der Hakob. There was music, dancing, a tasty buffet and fun games for children.....truly a party atmosphere!

"I felt inspired and uplifted by the event – there was so much joy in the room," said Nancy Basmajian. "Even though we were over 300 people, it felt like an intimate family gathering." Others spontaneously came to the microphone to share stories of working with Der Hayr and the impact he has made on them personally and on the entire parish.

Among the festivities, a small, informal program included a video message from His Eminence Khajag Barsamian, Diocesan Primate, who congratulated Der Hakob and his wife, Yn. Anna, for their positive impact in the Eastern Diocese. There was also a surprise video message from Der Hakob's father who lives in Khor Virap, Armenia, and a video slideshow of Der Hakob's journey through seminary, priesthood and his tenure at Holy Trinity. Celebrating with the parish was Rev. Fr. Karekin Kasparian, recently retired pastor of St. Gregory the Enlightener in White Plains, New York, with whom Der Hakob interned when he first came to this country to be a part of our Diocese.

Since becoming the Parish Priest at Holy Trinity in 2010, Der Hakob has elevated the parishioners with the spirit of love and faith. "For me, there is no greater joy than to serve God and His people," said Der Hakob. "This service gives me happiness and lots of energy."

Serving with humility, Der Hakob leads by example and inspires all generations of parishioners to put God first in their lives, and to give their time and service to the Church. "I hope that we all together will continue to serve God and His Church for many more years," he said.

This celebration was enhanced by the following who provided various elements which added to its success: John Alexanian and Ara Shakarjian (photography); Robbie Barone (music); Garo and Cecelia Garibian (wine and beer); Larry D. Der Hagopian (anniversary video); and Phil Magee (centerpieces and more!). The organizing committee consisted of Liz Barone, Lorraine Damerjian, Jeanette Der Hagopian, Garo Garibian, Berjoohy Murray, Don Paretchan, Merle Santerian and Nadia Soghomonian.

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Friday, February 27 [PHL] – Presentation by Herand Markarian of new book “Martyred Armenian Writers” at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church after the Vesper Service

Saturday, March 21 [PHL] – “A Centennial Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide,” a concert at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church presented by Hamazkayin

Friday, April 10 – Sunday, April 12, 2015 [PHL] – “We Not Only Survived, We Thrived,” Armenia Genocide Symposium & Exhibit of Ottoman Era Artifacts, St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church

Saturday, April 18, 2015 [PHL] – Philadelphia Armenian Genocide Walk as part of “National Walk Day”

Monday, April 20, 2015 [PHL] – “Building a New Armenian Identity,” an event at Rosemont College

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 [PHL] – “Worldwide Reading Day,” an evening with Armenian readings in Philadelphia, co-sponsored with The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, School of Holocaust and Genocide Studies

Thursday, April 23, 2015 [PHL] – Khachkar Dedication and Service, Armenian Sisters Academy

Friday, April 24, 2015 [PHL] –DAY – Commemorative activities in downtown Philadelphia, aimed at spreading awareness of the Armenian Genocide

Friday, April 24, 2015 [PHL] – EVENING – “Evening of Remembrance,” Badarak at St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church

Friday, April 24 – Sunday, April 26, 2015 [NYC] – Genocide Centennial Events in NYC


- ❖ **Sunday April 26, 2015 [NYC]** – Times Square Commemoration [bus transportation will be arranged from Philadelphia to NYC – pre-registration required]

Thurs., May 7 – Saturday, May 9, 2015 [DC] – Genocide Centennial Events in DC


- ❖ **Saturday, May 9, 2015 [DC]** – Badarak at National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception [bus transportation will be arranged to DC – pre-registration required]

More details on the above events, as well as information on how to sign up for buses to NYC & DC on Sunday, April 26th and Saturday, May 9th to come.

For more information, or how to get involved, please email AGCphiladelphia@gmail.com.



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On May 7, 8 and 9, 2015, thousands will gather in Washington, D.C. to commemorate the centennial of the Armenian Genocide. While remembering those who were lost, we will also give thanks for the creation of a new Armenia and for thriving Armenian communities around the world.

Grateful for the opportunities our ancestors found on arrival in this country, we are also deeply indebted to those institutions and individuals who helped the survivors during the Genocide. In the nation's capital this May, we will thank those who have helped to spread awareness of the Armenian Genocide, and those who work tirelessly to prevent genocide elsewhere in the world.

Four major events will carry these themes forward:



THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL, MAY 7 AT 7:00 P.M.

Prayers of remembrance, respect, and unity will make a powerful beginning for the weekend, as His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, and His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia, jointly lead Armenian clergy and representatives of other faiths in an ecumenical service. Armenia's President Serge Sargsyan will attend, and senators, congressmen, diplomats and other dignitaries will remember the lost in the Genocide, and show gratitude for the regeneration of life that the survivors worked to create. The service will include musical contributions and speakers who will inspire awareness and a sense of purpose.



THE MUSIC CENTER AT STRATHMORE, MAY 8 AT 8:00 P.M.

Armenian culture will come alive in "A Journey Through 100 Years of Armenian Music." The acclaimed Hover Chamber Choir of Armenia and other renowned musicians will present a range of music, from the classic melodies of Komitas Vartabed to contemporary pieces composed especially for the Genocide centennial. A program full of surprises and ending with a truly "grand" finale will engage and delight the audience.



NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, MAY 9 AT 10:00 A.M.

His Holiness Karekin II and His Holiness Aram I will lead a unified celebration of the Armenian Divine Liturgy. The liturgy will be sung by a united choir of representatives from Armenian churches around the country. The 3,000-seat Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, on the campus of Catholic University, will provide a stunning atmosphere for the occasion.



THE MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOTEL, MAY 9 AT 6:00 P.M.

A reception and banquet offer "A Time to Give Thanks"—an opportunity to honor those who have helped Armenians in the past and present. The themes of Awareness, Unity, and Gratitude will be expressed through inspiring words, images, and the presentation of awards of recognition. Mark Geragos will host the evening, and the *a capella* trio Zual will perform.

EXHIBITIONS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, MAY 7-9

Throughout the weekend, innovative workshops, films, and exhibits will be mounted in public spaces in the nation's capitol and around the Marriott Marquis. Themes of the commemoration will be explored by well-known authors and speakers. Events will be designed in cooperation with young people, bringing in new generations and looking to the future. Activities will be provided for children, with entertainment and childcare available during the banquet.

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PHILADELPHIA BUS RESERVATION FORM: **NYC & DC ARMENIAN GENOCIDE CENTENNIAL EVENTS**

The Philadelphia Armenian Genocide Centennial Committee is organizing buses leaving from Philadelphia to attend the NYC & DC Armenian Genocide Centennial events as follows:

- **New York:** Buses are being arranged to leave from St. Sahag's, St Gregory's and Holy Trinity churches to attend the Times Square Commemoration in New York, NY on **Sunday, April 26, 2015:**
 - The buses are scheduled to depart at 7:45AM from Philadelphia to travel **non-stop** to New York.
 - Badarak will take place at St. Vartan Cathedral at 10:30AM, followed by sandwiches, and then a procession to Times Square at 12:10PM. Seniors **not** inclined to walk will be transported directly by bus to Times Square.
 - The Times Square commemoration will take place from 1:45PM to 4:30PM.
 - The buses will leave at 5:00PM from New York to return to the respective Philadelphia churches.
- **Washington, D.C.:** Buses are being arranged to leave from St. Sahag's, St Gregory's and Holy Trinity churches to attend the celebration of the Armenian Divine Liturgy at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on **Saturday, May 9, 2015.**
 - The buses are scheduled to depart at 6:45AM from Philadelphia to travel **non-stop** to Washington, D.C.
 - The event begins at 10:00AM in Washington, D.C.
 - The buses will leave at 3:00PM from Washington, D.C to return to the respective Philadelphia churches.

Note: St. Mark's and Armenian Martyrs parishioners should use one of the three locations listed above.

Important: About the buses: 1) Every child must be seated. 2) Snacks and water permitted. 3) Trash must be removed. All times above are approximate. As the events get closer, more information will be provided. For details on the:

- **NYC event,** check back to www.agccaer.org.
- **DC event,** visit <http://armeniangenocidecentennial.org/>.

Cost: \$30 per person to reserve your spot; first come, first served basis. Payments are **non-refundable**, except in the case of a bus being cancelled or consolidated due to lower than expected reservations.

Reservation & Payment Instructions: Please complete the form below to reserve your spot(s), make your check payable to "Armenian Inter-Communal Committee of Philadelphia," and detach the form and mail it with your check to Hrant Jilozian, 2200 Clover Dr., Broomall, PA, 19008. **Forms & checks must be received by the following deadlines:**

- **Friday, March 20** for the NYC trip, and
- **Saturday, April 4** for the DC trip.

Please direct any inquiries you may have to your local church.

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April 10-12, 2015

Schedule of Events

Friday, April 10, 2015 - Exhibit & Reception

7:30 pm – 11:00 pm

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Saturday, April 11, 2015 - Symposium

9:00 am - 3:00 pm (*includes light lunch*)

Keynote Speaker:

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Participating Scholars and Speakers:

•Teresa Alajajian-Hayrapetian: *The Formula for Survival*

•Russell Kashian: *Migration Patterns of Residence and Mobility*

•Ani Boghikian-Kasparian: *Oral Histories of Life in Eastern Turkey after the Genocide*

•Alfred Mueller II: *An Identity Carved in Stone – The Armenian Khatchkar as a Rhetoric of Identity*

•Siobhan Nash-Marshall: *Principles, Property and Genocide*

•Graduate students from Manhattanville College in Purchase, NY

Sunday, April 12, 2015 - Memorial Luncheon & Program 1:30 pm (*exhibit will be open until Sunday at 5:00 pm*)

No charge for Saturday Symposium and Sunday lunch, but reservations required

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HOLY TRINITY WOMEN TALK ABOUT FAITH AND FAMILY

About a dozen Holy Trinity women, mostly mothers, met for the third time recently to discuss issues related to faith and family. The conversation began last fall with a look at Scripture passages on “Raising Children for God” and the fullness of being both Christian and Churched. Other sessions included viewing and discussing a short film (140 Drams) focused on a struggling family in Armenia and a Bible study entitled “At Home with Mary and Martha.”

The last session began with the following meditation after which the women shared their “hula hoops”.

I saw a picture in a magazine; it was a woman in shorts swinging 8 or 9 hula hoops around her waist. How does she do that? I thought. I wanted to know. I had had a frustrating day—too many responsibilities and not enough of me to go around. I got to thinking about the hula hoops I had been trying to keep in motion: wife, mother, lawyer, friend, piano teacher, cook, housekeeper, little league mother. I made a mental list. If we weren’t racing to a ball game, we were rushing to school or to church. And I was always late for work. I thought that woman is me!

I looked at the photo again. There were so many hoops, but she appeared calm. Her upper body seemed to be perfectly still, her arms outstretched slightly, as the hoops raced around her waist in synchronized chaos. Then it dawned on me—I saw her secret. She found a rhythm. She established her center, and then let everything move around that.

That’s exactly what I wasn’t doing in my life. All the things I’d been trying to accomplish were important, but I had lost my center. Busy being busy, I’d forgotten to tend to my inner self, the spiritual me. Like a wheel without an axle, I’d careened through life, bouncing off one duty and onto another. Then I prayed: “Teach me, Lord. Show me the rhythm of life. Be my center.”



Holy Trinity Armenian Church Criteria for Scholarship Awards Youth Programs of the Diocese of the Armenian Church

1. An application must be submitted to the pastor at least four weeks prior to the program.
2. The applicant, or at least one parent of the applicant, must be a dues-paying member of the parish for one year.
3. The applicant must be a baptized member of the Armenian Church.
4. The applicant must be enrolled in the Sunday school or a member of the ACYOA.
5. An applicant may not receive more than one scholarship in any given year.
6. Should there be more than one applicant from the same family, a graduated scale will be used to determine the amount of each scholarship.
7. At the completion of the program, the applicant must submit an essay on “What I Learned at (specific program).” The parish reserves the right to use the essay or excerpts from the essay in its publications.
8. The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the Pastor and Parish Council.
9. Scholarships will be awarded according to the availability of funds.



CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE



Any youth of Holy Trinity Armenian Church who wishes to apply for a scholarship to any of the youth programs of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern) may contact the church office at 215-663-1600 to inquire and receive an Application and Criteria for Scholarship Award information. Among the programs available are St. Vartan Camp, Armenia Service Program, St. Nersess Summer Conference Programs, etc. Applications and Criteria information are available from the church office and must be presented at least one month prior to the program. Read what some of former recipients had to say about Camp Vartan.

My Last Year as a Camper

by Peter Ohnigian

After six fun-filled years of meeting new friends, fellowship, and shaving cream fights, I have been changed as an Armenian. The first year I attended Saint Vartan Camp, I had Armenian friends from our church. As I began to meet new people, I established bonds that are still present to this day. These bonds that you think would only last until the end of camp stay strong as you stay connected with your peers. My counselor from my first year only stayed for two years before he stopped attending camp. I thought I probably would never see him again, but this year, my last year I will ever have as a camper, he came back. As you grow closer to your friends throughout the years, you will begin seeing them at other events such as multi-parish retreats and Sports Weekend.

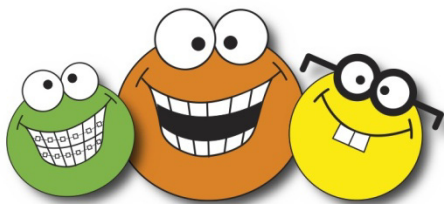
As the years of camp go by, the sadder the last day of camp can get. The best ages to start going to this camp would be 9 to 11. The camps activities are most enjoyable for younger ages so therefore you may want to get your child in when they are still young enough for the junior group (Under 13). New additions to the camp from last year were a newly-renovated pool and they replaced the cue chalk at the pool table! There are three sessions available to attend every summer and if you want to find me I will be attending session A as a CIT this next year. Session A is normally the smallest session of camp, hopefully we can change that next year!



Camp Vartan Experience Summer 2014

by Audrey Movsesian

Camp Vartan was a great experience to have. Although I had trouble sleeping at nights, there were lots of fun activities during the day like capture the flag, arts and crafts, sports, swimming in the pool, and Armenian language. The food was great there and my favorite meal was the Thanksgiving night where we had chicken and mashed potatoes. Also, I got to make lots of new friends, especially ones that were my age. The counselors and nurse took good care of me too.



**WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT,
CAMP IS IN!**

What Camp Vartan Means to Me

by Isabella Virgi

I have been attending St. Vartan Camp for the past 5 years. I enjoy meeting new people from different parishes. While attending St. Vartan Camp, I have learned about the Armenian language, history and culture. St. Vartan Camp provided me the opportunity to meet different priests that have guided me towards living a Christian lifestyle and understanding the Armenian faith.

During the 2014 summer session I was surprised to have been given the Heritage Award during the closing ceremony. Receiving this award was a great honor to me and I cannot wait to return to SVC for the 2015 summer session as a CIT.

(Editor's note: The Heritage Award is given to the camper who demonstrates what it means to be an Armenian, especially meaningful in this case since Isabella is not of Armenian descent, but rich with Armenian heritage.)

Holy Trinity Armenian Church Scholarship Award Initiative Youth Programs of the Diocese of the Armenian Church

APPLICATION

Application to (name of program)_____

Program location and dates_____

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Name of Applicant_____ Age_____

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2015 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership Dues for 2015..... \$ _____

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

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

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

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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).

Please mail to: Holy Trinity Armenian Church, 101 Ashmead Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012 - Memo: Dues

Contact Information



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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 215-663-1600 (cell 917-213-8658).

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Morning Service: 10:00 AM
Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak): 10:30 AM
Church School: 10:15 AM

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