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Holy Trinity Armenian Church



LOOYS



Talk about women power!

Don't disappoint these mothers, they are waiting to see you at the Bazaar . . . don't let them down!



(Here are our precious kitchen workers preparing souboereg for the Bazaar October 24 and 25)

July - September 2008

Upcoming Events

- **Hours of Worship**

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

- **Stewardship Information**

It's never too late to get involved. Stewardship is about the giving of time, talents, and treasure. Please visit the church web site for more information.

- Harvest Bazaar October 24 and 25
- 50 Member Fall Choral Concert – November 16
- Monte Carlo Night November 28



PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The third quarter report is divided into specific pillars.

FINANCE

Every meeting after the prayer and approval of prior minutes, we review the financial picture. We are operating favorably to budget. Our expenses are below last year since we did not have a full time Pastor in 2008. However, our income level must be increased to enable us to pay a Pastor next year. The area that is weakest is Stewardship. Any past Stewards are requested to join us in 2008. We received a \$5,000 gift from the estate of Dorothy Baldadian to use as we deem best. We received donations toward mortgage elimination from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barone (\$1200) and Dr. Garo Garibian (\$800).



BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND HALL RENTALS

The new sound system was installed in mid-August by Rick Mukalian and George Terkanian and necessary materials for installation were bought at wholesale through Rick. We have already had excellent reviews. There is no longer any reason not to hear the Badarak, sermon and the Bible readings. We are obtaining estimates to repair the front walk and steps. The dome and possibly the entire church will be painted in September. Hall rentals will meet the budget and will be the highest we have ever had. We are looking at alternate ways to cover the custodian's job and the hall rentals since the passing of Burray.



SPIRITUAL

We have been extremely fortunate over the past year to have a Celebrant almost every Sunday and for the performance of any and all Rites. Our lineup is one to be envied and since we often have repeat visits, it provides us with a sense of continuity. However, the shortfall is that we cannot provide personal help during the week and develop a planned effort to bring in the younger generation and the newly arrived Armenians. The availability of a full-time Pastor is still a year away as we were advised last year when the change was made. Sunday School registration on September 14 started the new year. A very detailed and interesting schedule has been developed including Sunday School Communion breakfasts on each first

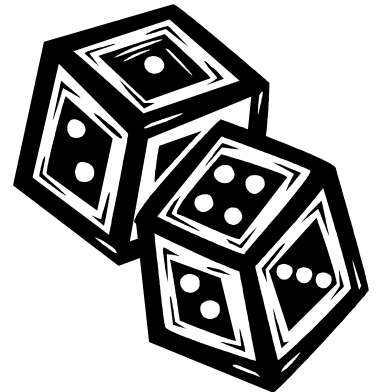
Sunday. It is imperative that we get our children, grandchildren, godchildren and nieces/nephews enrolled so that they begin on the road to Christianity. In October, we will send representation from the ACYOA to the Cathedral to receive the Holy Muron. On November 2, both Philadelphia churches will be closed. A joint Badarak will be held in New York. Our deacons and choir are asked to participate. Joint bus transportation is being arranged for the two churches.

MEMBERSHIP

In order to increase membership, contact will be initiated with former members, potential members and those who have had various rites performed at Holy Trinity Church.

EVENTS

September 14.....Fall picnic
September 14.....Armenian school registration
October 24/25.....Harvest Bazaar
November 16.....Armenian choral group and luncheon
November 28.....Monte Carlo Night



Mailings covering these events and others will be sent in September.

John Kash
Chairman

It is easier to “talk the talk” than “walk the walk.”

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

Martin Kouyoumjian

Mrs. Virginia Kouyoumjian
 Ms. Joanne Kouyoumjian
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 Mr. Aram Achikbashian
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 Mr. and Mrs. Mamas Alexanian
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Amirian
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Andonian
 Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Arslanian
 Mr. and Mrs. John Arslanian
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 Vartouhi Khatchikian
 Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Killian
 Ms. Susan Ritter
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 Mr. and Mrs. Grant
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 Mr. and Mrs. William McGarvey
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 Mrs. Rose Minassian
 Mr. and Mrs. Serge Minassian
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mirijanian
 Mrs. Helen Mirijanian
 Mrs. Berjoohy Murray
 Mr. and Mrs. George Nazarethian
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 Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ounjian
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Papazian
 Mrs. Mary Paretchan
 Mrs. Mary Parnagian
 Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Peckjian & Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Roman Radynsky
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 Mr. and Mrs. Jon Simonian
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 Mrs. Sarah Terkhanian
 Mr. Edward and Ms. Ethel Terzian
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Terzian
 Ms. Rose Thomassian
 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vishab
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vishab
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weinsheimer
 Mr. Richard Wilson
 Mr. and Mrs. Berj Yeretizian
 Ms. Rosemarie Zarzatan

Total: \$ 3,580.00

Dorothy Baldadian

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 Mrs. Alyce Hovsepian-Gordan
 Menas and Grace Kalagian, Conn.
 The Kalenian Family
 Seda and Sarkis Kouzoujian, Calif.
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Temoyan

New Total: \$8,380.00

Susan Vosbikian

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Damerjian
 Dr. Garo Garibian
 Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Javardian
 Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Killian
 Mr. and Mrs. Russ Tandourjian
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Terzian
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Total: \$190.00

Sara Kaiserian

Nancy and Gloria Basmajian
 Mr. and Mrs. Ed Buchakjian
 Ms. Berjoohy Haigazian
 Mrs. Alyce Hovsepian-Gordan
 The Kalenian Family

New Total: \$1,235.00

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Mr. and Mrs. Alex Alexanian
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 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Andonian
 Lynne Asadoorian
 Mr. and Mrs. Martin Attarian
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 Mr. Edward Tatoian
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 Mrs. Sarah Terkhanian
 Mrs. Rose Tourigian
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weinsheimer
 Mr. and Mrs. Berj Yeretizian
 Dr. and Mrs. Paul Zonies

Total \$1,420.00

In Memory Of John Chavooshian

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harmon
 and Ms. Alyssa Kozak
 Pearl and Mary Jamgochian
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kapeghian
 Mr. and Mrs. Kappy Kapeghian
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert King and
 Family

Total: \$325.00

In Memory Of Charles Kapeghian

Mrs. Violet Cholakian, Mich.
 Mr. and Mrs. Larry Der Hagopian
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harmon
 and Goddaughter Alyssa Kozak
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kapeghian
 Mr. and Mrs. Kappy Kapeghian
 Mr. Edward and
 Ms. Ethel Terzian

Total: \$270.00

In Memory Of Gilbert Demirjian

The Demirjian Family
 The Mehlbaum Family

Total: \$100.00

In Memory Of Charles Mardigian

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Damerjian

HARVEST BAZAAR

Friday, Oct 24-Saturday, Oct 25



Friday, Oct 24

Dinner served from 6:00pm

Saturday, Oct 25

Dinner served from 5:00pm

Join us for a Chinese Auction
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AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Enjoy Harvest Bazaar classics such
as:

- THE COUNTRY STORE
- ATTIC TREASURES
- *Bake Shoppe*
- Fabulous Food Buffet
- Children's Costume Parade and Contest (Friday Night)
- AND ARMENIAN MUSIC!!

Every year, the **Harvest Bazaar** is a major source of funds for our church, so come enjoy the atmosphere, fellowship and fun, and **support** Holy Trinity Armenian Church!

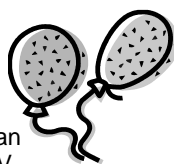
HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH **Member Birthdays**

OCTOBER

Samuel Nalbandian (10/1)
Marina Hovhannesian (10/2)
Michael Terkanian (10/2)
Steve Aslanian (10/5)
Aram Attarian (10/5)
Jack Vishab (10/5)
Haig Hagopian (10/6)
Philip Kazanjian (10/6)
John DerPilbosian (10/8)
Jennifer Hagopian (10/8)
Armen Mirakian (10/9)
Carol Momjian (10/9)
Jeannine Juskalian (10/10)
Mary Paretchan (10/12)
Richard Carlucci (10/14)
Arusyak Zakharyants (10/14)
Rose Thomassian (10/16)
Marta Brann (10/18)
Jean Sarkissian (10/18)
Mark Hanamirian (10/19)
Kristine Hoepfl (10/19)
Florence Maloumian (10/19)
Mary Parnagian (10/19)
Alexis Wiseley (10/19)
Peter Hovnanian (10/20)
Jean Ohnigian (10/21)
Mesrob Odabashian (10/22)
Peter Oskanian Jr. (10/23)
Sarkis Vosbikian (10/23)
Laura Bilazarian (10/29)
Adrienne Minassian (10/29)
Kyle Dunigan (10/31)
Katie Hashas (10/31)



John Oskanian (11/3)
Dori Juskalian (11/4)
Gabrielle Meranshian (11/4)
Jonathon Nalbandian (11/8)
Bennett Oskanian (11/8)
Elaine Mirijanian Squadroni (11/9)
Lesly Attarian (11/10)
Eric Squadroni (11/11)
Angel Tookmanian (11/12)
Hunter Maloumian (11/13)
Nina Okoorian (11/14)
Robert Sarkisian (11/15)
Gary Altoonian (11/16)
Selma Alexanian (11/17)
Elizabeth Barone (11/17)
Joseph Fuchs (11/17)
Albert Lucine (11/17)
Shawn Carnevale Jr. (11/18)
Veronica Carnevale (11/18)
Alice Kalustyan (11/18)
Raffi Rafiyev (11/18)
Marie Kazanjian (11/21)
Stefanie Vishab (11/22)
Alexander Hatza (11/23)
Vartan Mazmanian (11/24)
Harry Tashjian, IV (11/24)
Avedis Rafiyev (11/25)
Michael Rodriguez (11/26)
Levon Attarian (11/27)
Michael Hajatian Sr (11/27)
Valerie DerPilbosian (11/29)
Joyce Killian (11/29)
Geena Posey (11/29)
Yolanda Terzian (11/29)
Jack Mehlbaum (11/30)



Kimberly Kalustyan (12/2)
Abigail Zane (12/2)
John Terzian (12/3)
Alise Peckjian (12/4)
Sonia Papazian (12/5)
Rob/ Robbie Barone (12/7)
Veronica Torcomian (12/8)
Robert Damerjian Jr. (12/9)
Barbara Kumkumian (12/9)
Claire Miller (12/9)
Mariana Montanez (12/9)
Leslie Movsesian (12/9)
Linda Vishab (12/9)
Phillip Santerian (12/10)
Danielle Sarkisian (12/12)
Margaret Bandaian (12/13)
Berj Kalustyan (12/14)
Michele Yeretjian (12/14)
Deskouhy Attarian (12/15)
Albert Lousinian (12/15)
Gary Miller (12/17)
Denise Sisian (12/18)
Helen Terzian Gallagher (12/22)
Theresa Hovnanian (12/22)
Natalie Movsesian (12/24)
Andrew Walter (12/24)
BABY JESUS (12/25)
Christina Juskalian (12/25)
Raffi Kodikian (12/26)
Jacob Okoorian (12/26)
Joshua Rehak (12/26)
Isabella Balint (12/27)
Alise Jilajian (12/27)
Elize Mazmanian (12/27)
Joshua Lieberman (12/28)
John Tatoian (12/28)
Alexis Javardian (12/29)
Adrienne Juskalian (12/29)
Lusya TerSimonyan (12/29)



NOVEMBER

Sara Keytanjian (11/1)
Takla Oflazian (11/1)
Rosaleen Oskanian (11/1)
Scott Santerian (11/1)
Harry Mirijanian (11/2)

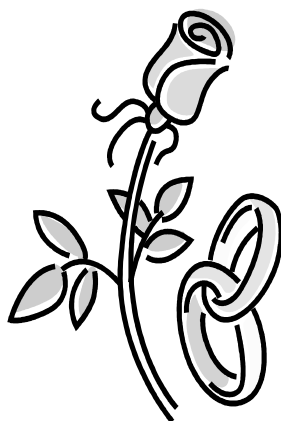
DECEMBER

Alice Karabian (12/1)
Araxie Radynsky (12/1)
Roman Radynsky (12/1)
Carol Miller (12/2)

Wedding Anniversaries

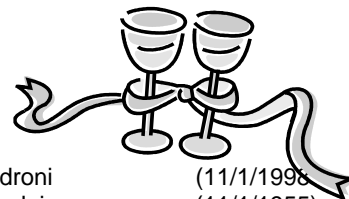
OCTOBER

Seta & Todd Pica (10/2/2004)
Yervand & Arusyak Zakharyants (10/2/2004)
Albert & Valerie DerPilbosian (10/7/1973)
Michael & Carol Hanamirian (10/7/1989)
Krikor & Heather Kapeghian (10/9/2004)
Mark & Dorothy Hanamirian (10/9/1983)
Richard & Evelyn Weinsheimer (10/9/1971)
Steven & Stephanie Balint (10/12/1997)
Gregory & Maria Javardian (10/15/1983)
Jack & Michelle Mehlbaum (10/15/1994)
Ara & Virginia Shakarjian (10/16/1955)
Kimon & Sheryl Hatza (10/16/1982)
Michael & Arpena Hajatian Sr. (10/19/1947)
Daniel & Mariana Montanez (10/20/2001)
Larry & Jeanette Der Hagopian (10/24/1964)
Steve & Sona Brod (10/28/1990)
Berj & Alice Kalustyan (10/29/1955)



NOVEMBER

Eric & Elaine Squadroni (11/1/1998)
Sarkis & Pauline Dedeian (11/1/1955)
Ernest & Christine Peacock (11/6/1976)
Haig & Gay Hagopian (11/11/1979)
John & Susan Lillis (11/12/1988)
Steve & Doretta Aslanian (11/15/1987)
Peter & Noreen Boncross (11/18/2005)
John & Margaret Bandaian (11/25/2005)
Richard & Florence Malournian (11/27/1968)
David & Marta Brann (11/29/1980)
Henry & Victoria Khachadourian (11/30/1957)



DECEMBER

Albert & Patrice Keshgegian (12/22/1974)
Edward & Veron Monokian (12/28/1947)
Robert & Elizabeth Barone (12/30/1972)



CATHOLIC KIDS TEST

Can you imagine yourself to be the Sunday school teacher that is sitting at her desk grading these papers all the while trying to keep a straight face and maintain her composure!

Pay special attention to the wording and spelling. If you know the bible even a little, you'll find this hilarious! It comes from a Sunday school test. Kids were asked questions about the old and new testaments. The following statements about the bible were written by children. They have not been retouched or corrected. Incorrect spelling has been left in.

1. In the first book of the bible, guinessis. god got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.
2. Adam and eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of ark. Noah built and ark and the animals came on in pears.
3. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
4. The jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.
5. Sampson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a jezebel like delilah.
6. Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.
7. Moses led the jews to the red sea ! where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.
8. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. afterwards, Moses went up to mount cyanide to get the ten commandments
9. The first commandments was when eve told Adam to eat the apple.
10. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
11. Moses died before he ever reached Canada then joshua led the hebrews in the battle of geritol.
12. The greatest miricle in the bible is when joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
13. David was a hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. he fought the finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.
14. Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
15. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the magna carta.
16. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.
17. Jesus was born because mary had an immaculate contraption.
18. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.
19. Jesus enunciated the golden rule, which says to do unto others before they do one to you. he also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.
20. It was a miricle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.
21. The people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.
22. The epistels were the wives of the apostles.
23. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan
24. St. Paul cavorted to Christianity, he preached holy acrimony which is another name for marraige.
25. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.



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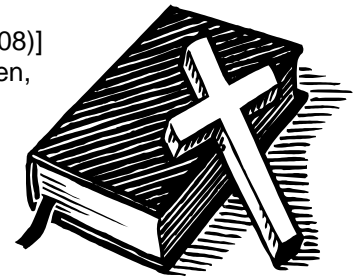
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SUNDAY SCHOOL (2008-2009)

All Events Below Are Subject to Change

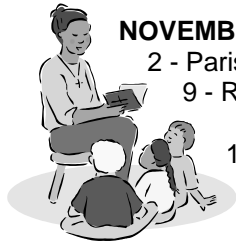
SEPTEMBER

- 21 - Regular Classes [Commemoration of Armenia's 17th Independence Day (1991-2008)]
- 28 - Regular Classes (Tour of the Sanctuary for Sunday School parents and their children, conducted by Harry Andonian)



OCTOBER

- 5 - Regular Classes—Communion Breakfast
- 12 - Regular Classes—40th Anniversary of St. Vartan Cathedral/Blessing of the Holy Muron.
- This is ACYOA Sports Weekend
- 19 - Regular Classes (Each class will prepare a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child)
- 26 - Regular Classes—Spoochetti Lunch Halloween Party/Bible Magician to perform

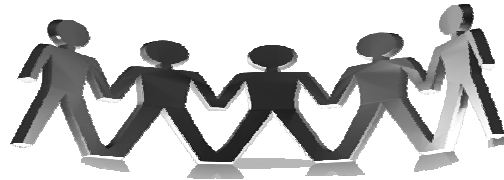


NOVEMBER

- 2 - Parish invited to attend Badarak at St. Vartan Cathedral in New York (no services at Holy Trinity)
- 9 - Regular Classes—Veterans Luncheon in Hall
Sunday School Communion Breakfast in classrooms
- 16 - Regular Classes
- 23 - Regular Classes
- 30 - Regular Classes [Prepare Breakfast Bags for Aid for Friends]

DECEMBER

- 7 - Communion Breakfast—20th anniversary of the earthquake in Armenia
(Possible Red Cross Drive sponsored by the ACYOA Seniors)/ Bible Sunday
- 14 - Regular Classes
- 21 - Christmas Craft Project
- 28 - Christmas Break—no classes



Women's Guild

Dear Parishioners:

Welcome back to a new church year and a new year of Women's Guild! If you are not already a member of the Holy Trinity Women's Guild, we want to invite you to join us this year. The Women's Guild of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America is a group of women organized to nurture the souls and minds of the women of the Armenian Church. The Women's Guild accomplishes this goal by linking generations of women together through faith, service and cultural heritage. Together we strengthen our Armenian church and community and the greater community in which we serve.

The Women's Guild has already planned the following activities with room for suggestions:

- October: Nominating Committee prepares slate for election of Guild Officers and delegates.
- November: Regional Home Gatherings in N.J. and P.A.
- November 7-9: Women's Guild Leadership Conference, at the Diocese in N.Y.
- December: Christmas party with cookie exchange and Women's Shelter outreach details will be forthcoming
- December 3: Winterthur Trip - see Roxie Radynsky

All Year: Country Store, Welcome/ Chrismation baskets, Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program (CASP), School Bag Project, Habitat for Humanity Project Armenia, N.Y. Theater Trip T/B/A,

The small fee of \$10.00 dues allows our Women's Guild to cover some of the administrative costs involved in publicizing and preparing our events. We hope you will join us and get involved in a capacity that works for you.

Thank you.

Yours Truly,

Tanya Parechan, Holy Trinity Women's Guild Chair
Leslie Movsesian, Women's Guild Central Council

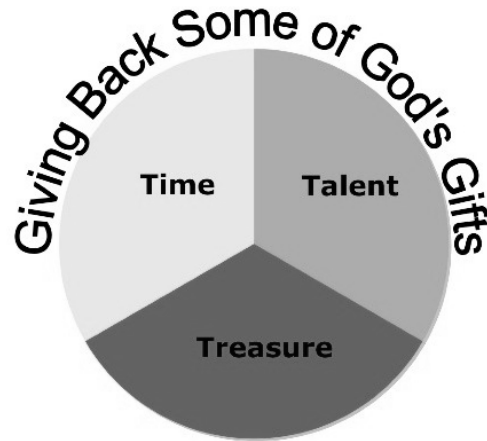
OOPS . . . MISTAKES HAPPEN

Please accept our apologies for being remiss in not publishing the entire Stewardship Donors' List in our last issue of the Looy. Their support to the church is much appreciated



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Remember that Stewardship is a combination of

- TIME -
- TALENT -
- TREASURE -

Please add your name to the list.

Membership and You

Church membership is a statement that a Christian is in agreement with that local church and is willing to be identified as a representative of it. Church membership is also valuable for organizational purposes and a good way of determining who is allowed to vote on important decisions and/or who is involved in official church positions and functions. It is the responsibility of members to ensure that the financial obligations to maintain the Church are met. Membership dues are just a portion of the income generated to maintain our facility. In 2008 the membership dues budgeted will pay \$0.16 of every dollar we spend so they are important. Only one half of the people that have pledged have paid or partially paid their dues this year. We ask that all of you who haven't paid, make it a priority, and those who haven't pledged, do so now. Your involvement is necessary.

News & Stuff

CELEBRATION OF THE DIVINE LITURGY ON THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. VARTAN CATHEDRAL November 2, 2008

At the invitation of our Primate, His Eminence Khajag Barsamian, all churches in the Diocese of the Armenian Church have been invited to come to New York City, throughout the year, to individually celebrate the Badarak at St. Vartan Cathedral.

Holy Trinity Church along with St. Sahag & St. Mesrob Church deacons, choirs, and parishioners have been invited to participate in the Badarak at the Cathedral, on November 2, with the Very Reverend Fr. Mkrtich Proshyan of St. Sahag & St. Mesrob Church as celebrant for the day. Thereafter, all who participate are invited to be guests for lunch at the Diocese following the Badarak.

The two churches are planning to either rent a bus or van(s) depending on the number of people who plan to go. Both churches will be closed that day, so please make every effort to join us with your families. It will be a wonderful experience to come and participate in the Badarak in our beautiful Cathedral, and to introduce them to our Diocesan Headquarters.

If you are interested in participating, or have any questions, please contact Merle Santerian at 215-947-3777 or by e-mail Merle712@aol.com no later than September 29, so that we may decide if it is feasible to travel by bus or van(s), depending on how many choir members, deacons and parishioners plan to go.

We hope you will consider joining us. Further information will follow concerning travel arrangements, cost, etc., once we know how many are interested.

Parish Council



NEW SOUND SYSTEM IN SANCTUARY

If you've noticed that you can hear the choir better as they sing or the priest more clearly as he celebrates the Badarak and gives his sermon, you're hearing our new sound system in the church. This is one of the improvements that the Parish Council had on their wish list to do and we are happy to report that it is in place and working beautifully. However, the installation wouldn't have happened without cost to the church had it not been for the generosity and hard work of two of our devoted members: George Terkianian and Rick Mukalian. These two caring gentlemen spent

three nights installing the necessary wiring to get the system up and running. So the next time you see them, give them your thanks!



Obituary

It is with great sorrow that we inform our parishioners of the passing of our custodian, Burray Nesmith, after an ongoing battle with cancer. He was with us for seven years, and during that time, he was committed to the well-being of our church facilities. We shall miss his presence and pray for his eternal life.

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OUTREACH

Aid For Friends

It was a long hot summer and even hotter in the church kitchen but, through it all, we managed to continue cooking meals for the client/friends of **Aid for Friends**. A total of 184 meals were prepared by the following individuals: Armena Bartow, Jeanette Der Hagopian, Mary Yeretizian, Ethel Terzian, Ayshe Chakmaklian, Sarah Terkhanian, Alice Charles and Deskouhy Attarian. These are the angels who come forward often to offer their time and talent to help the less fortunate.



Donations were received from Martin and Deskouhy Attarian and Richard and Linda Vishab in honor of Armena Bartow's milestone birthday. Armena is one of the founding members of **Aid for Friends** and this Outreach is very close to her heart. Additionally, we received a donation for general purposes from Sarah Terkhanian.

This is a truly heart-warming endeavor we so enjoy doing that it doesn't even seem like work. And the end result is the deep satisfaction that comes from knowing we have done something for others in need without looking for anything for ourselves. So if you're looking for an "upper," call one of us and volunteer your time, talent or treasure. You'll be happy you did!

Operation Christmas Child

We are fast approaching that time of year when we start to think...SHOEBOXES! Start your shopping now to fill as many boxes as you can. Brochures are available and they will direct you in ways to fill your shoebox for either a boy or girl in various age categories. And on Sunday, October 12, join us during Fellowship Hour to see a brief video about what goes into this worldwide undertaking. You'll be amazed.



Knitting

Ministry

We are so appreciative of the knitted items produced by Arpine Lulejian—hats, mittens, gloves, scarves. Though Arpine has slowed down in her senior years, her hands are still working and, because of her kindness, three bagfuls of these items were included in a shipment going to Armenia. Who says that God doesn't have a purpose for each one of us?



**Gratefully,
Jeanette Der Hagopian**

Harvest Bazaar

The Attic Treasures Committee is now soliciting donations. You may begin bringing your "oldies but goodies" to church and placing them in the barroom adjoining the church hall. Household goods, knick-knacks, seasonal decorations, jewelry, accessories, toys and games, all in good condition, are requested. No books please.

Save these Dates!

Save Wednesday, December 3 for a day trip to **Winterthur Museum**. Call Roxie Radynsky at 215-675-4240 for details. Reservations limited.

The Philadelphia Inter-Communal Committee is planning a community-wide event to commemorate Armenian cultural month.



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As a direct result of the tireless efforts of several parishioners and parish council members, elimination of the church’s mortgage is now within reach. The mortgage was recently refinanced, with terms dictating a “balloon payment” due in 2010. It is the goal of the parish council to have the mortgage completely paid off before the balloon payment is due, and WITH YOUR HELP, THIS GOAL WILL BE MET!

So what can you do to help? JOIN US for a night of fun and fellowship at our

MORTGAGE BURNING KICKOFF MONTE CARLO NIGHT

Friday November 28, 2008

Food and Drinks Served at 7 pm

Let the Games Begin at 8 pm

**Register in advance on the church website: www.holytrinity-pa.org
OR call the church office at 215-663-1600**

Advance Ticket Sales: \$40/person (includes a meal and \$100 in chips)

At The Door: \$50/person (includes a meal and \$100 in chips)

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Children Under 12: \$10/child includes a kid’s meal

Cash Bar: run by the Holy Trinity Men’s Club

-Games will include blackjack, poker, craps, roulette, and money wheel, as well as 2 special Nintendo Wii stations

-Prizes will be awarded at 11 pm to the top chip earners

-All tables will be run by professionals from Casino Parties Inc.

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About our family...

It's wedding bells for Nick Bokas and Amber Clark who were united in marriage on August 23, 2008, in Brigantine, NJ. Nick is the son of Barbara and Butch Kumkumian. Best wishes and much happiness to the happy couple.....Congratulations to Ohannes and Nezihe Hashas as they welcomed twin grandchildren - Aren Gregory and Talar Nezi. Proud parents are Suzan and Greg Saraydarian who reside in New York....Condolences to Christine Peacock and Terri Sadjian-Mears on the loss of the uncle, Charles Mardigian. Also to Lynn Hajatian, Gay Hagopian and Susan Der Hagopian on the passing of their mother, Susan Vosbikian. May the Holy Spirit bring comfort to them and their families.....Get well wishes are sent to Alice Andonian who is unable to attend church and various functions as often as she would like.....It's a new baby for Stephen and Stephanie Shekizian Balint as they welcomed Christian Michael on July 7th. He joins big sister and brother, Isabella and Alexander. Best wishes to all.....Our condolences to the family of Azad Attarian who passed away at summer's end. Old-timers will always remember that Azad was the Godfather when we built 101 Ashmead Road.... If Labor Day is over, it must be time to start thinking about our Harvest Bazaar. Remember, it's all "about our family" and we hope you'll be a part of it!



Stephanie Williams Graduates



Congratulations Stephanie on this milestone and best wishes and good luck as you continue on in your education.
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Holy Trinity Armenian Church Picnic, September 14, 2008

Parishioners waiting in food line for shish kebab platters.



Der Vertanes is presented with a framed picture of the Washington choral group that performed at our church last spring.

Enjoying the parishioners, picnic and food.

l-r: Rev. Fr. Vertanes Kalayjian
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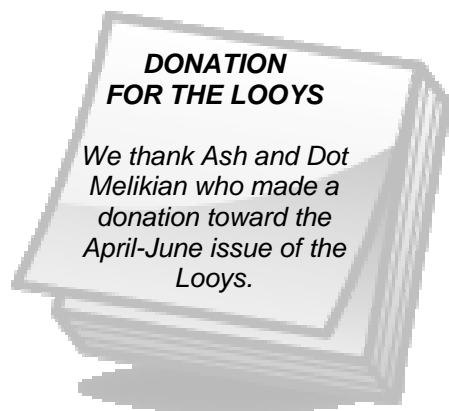


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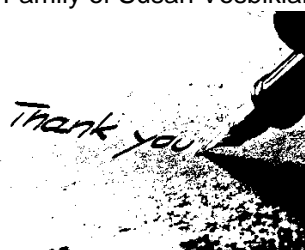


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SOME THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Family and Friends at Holy Trinity,
We would like to express our deep appreciation to all of you who supported us during our mother's illness and eventual passing. The words of encouragement through calls, cards and visits meant so much to us. We also thank you for the gifts and donations in memory of our mother. No kindness has gone unnoticed. For all of you, we are truly grateful.

Sincerely,
The Family of Susan Vosbikian



A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank all of my "friends" at Holy Trinity for their kind concern during my recent illness. It was very much appreciated to know that so many in your parish were thinking of me. I always enjoy being with all of you and I feel as though Holy Trinity is like my own church.

With many blessings to all of you,
Ann Chopoorian

Thank You

I want to thank all the members of our church community for their gifts, phone calls and get well cards after my stay in the hospital and rehab center.

Alice Andonian

Thank You

On David's and our behalf, we extend our appreciation for the enthusiasm and support for "LONG WAY DOWN."

Thanks, Alex and Annabelle

Thank you for the basil!

Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Armen Alahverde for donating the basil for the Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Thank you for the cleaning

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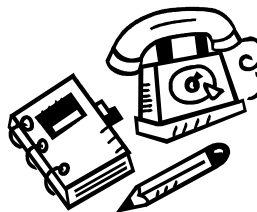
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