

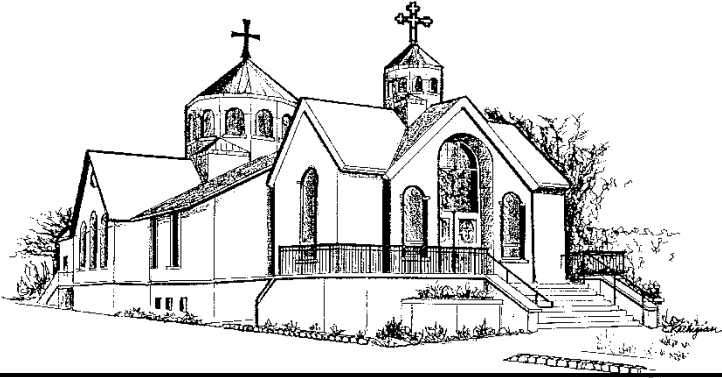
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Is 38:1-8

Heb 1:1-14

Gospel According to Luke 17:1-10

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son,
so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might
have eternal life. John 3:16

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Jack Hamparian

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Sirvard Galstian



"Krisdos ee méch me haydnetsav." – "Orhnyal é haydnootyoonun Krisdosi."

"Christ is revealed among us." - "Blessed is the revelation of Christ."

St. Leon Armenian Church is open on Sunday's at 10:00 AM
Please call the office to reserve your seat. Only 70 people are
allowed at one time.



HOKEHANKISD

✝ Rusenian Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Adrian Rusenian**, loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother on the 40th day of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Alter Flowers and request Altar Candles lit in her memory.

✝ Vartan Hovhannisyan and Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Lena Hovhannisyan** loving mother and grandmother on the 1st year of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Alter Flowers and request Altar Candles lit in her memory.

✝ John and Janet Hamalian and Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Mari Hamalian** loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother on the 50th anniversary on her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request Altar Candles lit in her memory.

✠ Rev. Fr. Diran & Yn. Kismet Bohajian & Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Diramayr Victoria Bohajian**, loving mother and grandmother on the 17th year of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request Altar Candles lit in her memory.

PRAYER FOR REQUIEM – HOKEHANKISD

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. O Christ, Son of God, fore bearing and compassionate, have compassion, in your love as our creator, upon the souls of your servants who are at rest, especially upon the souls of your servants (names), for whom we are offering these prayers. Be mindful of them in the great day of the coming of your kingdom. Make them worthy of mercy, of expiation and forgiveness of sins. Glorify them and reckon them with the company of your saints at your right hand. For you are the Lord and creator of all, judge of the living and of the dead. And to you is befitting glory, dominion and honor, now and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of Robert John Karanfilian III, Annette Kouchshirin, Brandon Katz, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Dan Patoyia (Moynihan), Juliette Haddad, James Azarian, Varoujan Harutunian, Mosses Bairamian, Ruben Grigoryants, Michael Sakolsky, Lynne Ford, Frank Cornawchiulo, Ryan Hallak, John Hallak, Carmelina Mancini, Marie Tenguerian, Hana Botie, Mary Ann Kral, Emily Ring, Clara Yeramian, Jerry DiSant, Julie Frattarola, Melanie Sarkisian and all those who are suffering.

We commit our sick and shut-ins to our Heavenly Father who cares and watches over all His children. “I will never leave thee nor forsake thee”.

Reverence Required ~ Please be advised that, according to the tradition of the Armenian Church, members of the congregation are strongly reminded to refrain from walking in and out of the Sanctuary while services are in progress. You are *especially* reminded ***not to do so*** during **1)** the Chanting of the Gospel, (pg. 17); **2)** recitation of the Creed (*Havadamk*), (pg. 18); **3)** the Chalice Procession, (pg. 24-25); **4)** Hayr Mer (pg 41); **5)** the Hymn, “*Der Voghormya*,” (pg. 45); and **6)** distribution of the Holy Communion, (p. 49). Also, please do not chew gum or cross legs during church services. Please observe the “arrows” in the new liturgy books. They indicate when you should *Stand, Sit, or Kneel*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL We are happy to announce that we have been open VIRTUALLY since October 4th! Our teachers are in preparation and looking forward to meeting with the students twice a month for 40 minutes. They will also have music once a month with Teachers Daniella and Seta.

The teachers will be in touch about meeting times and codes, and some may send materials or ask you to drive by to pick them up.

Registration is still open. Please follow the link is below. We are asking that you register each child separately. The payment (PayPal) is at the end of the registration.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGfQZaD3iqInIHZucDY28vt95vZmstSYU7Oaj01yIb6nYhg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628>

WOMEN’S GUILD St. Leon Women’s Guild is participating in the Toys for Tots Program for this Christmas Holiday season. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please bring an unwrapped toy (last day December 14, 2020) and leave it under the tree or place it in the Toys for Tots Box in the church narthex. If you would like to make a donation, we will purchase the toy for you. Any questions, please call Marilou Pinajian 201-791-0621.

BIBLE STUDY December 23, 2020 (Located in Jessourian Hall)
The Book of Sirach

Chapter 16 “God’s punishment of Sinners”

Chapter 17 “A Call to Repentance”

Chapter 18 “The Majesty of God”

We are warned not to fall prey to deceptive appearances, such as good looks, fine clothing alone. Do not find fault with someone until you investigate the situation. You must listen carefully before you respond. Be aware of those who engage in evil, those who you invite to your home. God will bless those who are pious and faithful to His Word. We must strive to do works that are pleasing to God. Our good deeds will be rewarded by God. We must use caution and not trust our enemy. The voice of an enemy may seem sweet, but the plans of his heart will bring us down into the pit. During times of adversity, even our friends may disappear. We must always be cautious with who we associate with. **“What does a wolf have in common with a lamb? No more has a sinner with the devout”**. What peace is there between them? The greedy person is not content with what he has received. No matter how large or small, we must always be thankful for the gifts and blessings that God has given us. Who ever fears the Lord will obtain wisdom will find happiness and a crown of rejoicing.

KEEPING EVERYONE SAFEAs you enter St. Leon Church, your temperature will be taken with Infrared Forehead Thermometer and you are required to use the hand sanitizer prior to enter the church.

Sitting in the church- Take your seat in the pews marked with a white X. Please make sure your mask is on at all times. Choir members and altar servers will sit in the front pews of the church marked with a green X.

Hokehankisd- Those requesting Hokehankisd will be allowed to sit upstairs in the balcony with their family members (maximum 10 per family). Parish Council will provide guidance.

Elevator- Will not be in use at this time.

Lighting Candles- Please light your candles in the back candle stand only. Do not you use the candle stands in the front. No large gatherings around the candle stand. One person at a time should approach the candle stand. Parish Council will guide you.

Kiss of Peace- will not be offered in the traditional manner Fr. Diran will offer the Kiss of Peace from the altar. From a distance you can acknowledge your fellow parishioners with the Kiss of Peace without approaching them.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion- Fr. Diran will give instructions on how Holy Communion will be distributed. Everyone will stay in their pews during the confession and the prayer of absolution. Afterwards, the Parish Council will call you by rows to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

Plate Collection- will take place in the church.

Exiting the Church- The Parish Council will call you by your pews to exit the church in a safe manner.

Hospitality/Fellowship- There will be **no Coffee Hospitality** after church.

Special Baghaj Sale for Artsakh

By Barbara and Leon Hovsepian

on behalf of St. Leon Armenian Church collection for Artsakh

Sunday, December 20, 2020
12:15 PM to 1 PM

Perfect for Christmas

Pick up at the Community Center kitchen door on the patio.

Masks required to be worn.

Each Package of 12 Pieces is \$10.00

Contains flour, sugar, yeast, eggs, milk, butter, salt, walnuts, and black caraway seeds.

You must pre-order by December 13

email Barbara Hovsepian at

bhovsepian@optonline.net

or text your order to 551-206-6686

Give your name and phone number when ordering.

You will receive a confirmation of your order. If you don't receive confirmation, call Barbara at 551-206-6686.

Make checks payable to
St. Leon Armenian Church
and put Artsakh on the memo line





CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We are again offering the opportunity of sending greetings to your fellow Parishioners through a **special St. Leon Christmas Greeting Card.**

Please complete this form and return it to the Church

Office.

(Please mail by Sunday, December 20, 2020). The card will appear in the January Bulletin & January Lradoo.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:

DONATION: _____

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Address _____



POINSETTIA'S FOR THE HOLY ALTAR

The Poinsettias that decorate the Altar during the Christmas season, please complete the form below and return it with your check, to the Church Office.

(Please mail by Sunday, December 20, 2020)

The list will appear in the January Bulletin & January Lradoo.

POINSETTIA'S FOR THE ALTAR

DONATION: _____

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____