

# ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 10, 2022

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



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## Readings from the Holy Scripture

Isaiah 2:5-11

Romans 8:31-10:4

Gospel of Matthew 13:24-30

*“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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# ALTAR SERVERS

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# HOKEHANKISD

† Ruzanna Akopjan, Elza Masumova, & Ivetta Asriyan request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Sirvart Asriyan**, *beloved mother, grandmother & great-grandmother*, on the occasion of her **40<sup>th</sup> day (KARASOONK)** of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

† The Bedevian Family & the Shahbazian Children, Michael, David & Karen request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Edward Karnig Shahbazian**, *beloved father, brother, brother-in-law, uncle* on the occasion of his **40<sup>th</sup> day (KARASOONK)** passing into eternal rest and for the soul of **Armenoosh Casparian Shahbahzian**, *beloved mother, sister-in-law, aunt*, on the occasion of her **1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated toward altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

**Hokehankisd Deadline:**

Please note that Hokehankisd requests must be received by **3pm, Thursday** to be included in that week’s Sunday bulletin. You may email or call the church office. Thank you.



**PRAYER FOR REQUIEM – HOKEHANKISD**

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

*O Christ, Son of God, forbearing 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.*



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of Glenn Ajamian, James Azarian, Mosses Bairamian, Hana Botie, Zoe Brooks, Frank Cornawchiulo, Jerry DiSant, Lynne Ford, Julie Frattarola, Ruben Grigoryants, John Hallak, Ryan Hallak, Varoujan Harutunian, Barbara Hovsepian, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Mary Ann Kral, Annette Kouchshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebuhan Oscherician, Dan Patoyia (Moynihan), Marilou Pinajian, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tenguerman, Greg Tenbekjian, and Clara Yeramian.

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”**

*\*(Kindly assist with the update of the prayer list names; if a name needs to be added or removed, notify the church office. Thank you.)*

# Church Etiquette

**Reverence Required** ~ Please refrain from entering the pews when the following parts of the Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak) is taking place. You may stand in the back of the church until these parts have ended. The parish council will be happy to assist you.

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*.



## *Fundamental Teachings of the Armenian Church*

### *The Seven Sacraments...*

*Baptism, Confirmation, Penance, Holy Communion, Matrimony, Holy Orders, Unction with Oil (for the sick)*

### *The Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy...*

*To instruct the ignorant,  
To counsel the doubtful,  
To exhort & convert sinners,  
To comfort the sorrowing & afflicted,  
To forgive offenses,  
To suffer wrongs patiently,  
To pray for others, living & dead.*

### *The Four Cardinal Virtues...*

*Prudence, Justice, Temperance, Fortitude*

### *The Four Notes of the True Church...*

*One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic*

### *The Four Symbols of the Gospels...*

*St. Matthew - Angel      St. Mark - Winged Lion,  
St. Luke - Winged Ox      St. John - Eagle*

### *The Gifts of the Holy Spirit...*

*Wisdom & understanding,  
Counsel & spiritual strength,  
Knowledge & true godliness,  
Holy fear of the Lord.*



## **BIBLE STUDIES**

**Wednesday, July 20, 2022.**

**TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

Zoom Bible Study. Please call or e-mail Fr. Diran and he will send you the link for the Bible Study.

### **Book of Ezekiel**

Chapter 38 “Invasion by God”

Chapter 39 “Gog’s Armies Destroyed”

Chapter 40 “The Vision of the New Temple”

Chapter 33 begins a new section of Ezekiel which is concerned mainly the certainty and necessity of the fall of Judah and Jerusalem to Babylonian conquest. We read how the Oracles predict the doom of a wide range of nations foreign to Judah and Jerusalem. In chapters 33-37, we return in a sense to oracles that relate to the fall of Judah and Jerusalem. This time, however, the oracles are hopeful rather than judgmental. Now that the Lord has completed His plan for destruction of His former people, it is important that they have a clear understanding, of what He has done and what will happen to them as a people and also generally as individuals in the future. The oracles are not all entirely reassuring to the Judeans, but they are basically positive, emphasizing the sovereignty of God, His fairness and His good plans for the new Israel that He will create from the ruins of the old. There is a human irresponsibility and by contrast to God’s justice. In the aftermath of the fall of Jerusalem, the exile community could no longer doubt that God’s word through Ezekiel had been true all along. Now they needed to understand some important principles of God’s action and to prepare themselves for their future as a people if they were will to take the responsibility to do so.

**Մարսելի համազգային դպրոցի եւ Փարիզի դպրոցասեր  
միութեան վարժարանի աշակերտներն այցելեցին Մայր Աթոռ  
Սուրբ Էջմիածին**

Յուլիսի 6-ին Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագոյն Պատրիարք եւ Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում ընդունեց Մարսելի համազգային դպրոցի եւ Փարիզի դպրոցասեր միութեան վարժարանի աշակերտներին՝ ուղեկցութեամբ ազգային բարերար տիար Սարգիս Պետոյեանի:

Վեհափառ Հայրապետը գոհունակութեամբ ընդգծեց, որ համավարակի պատճառով հայկական երկու վարժարանների սաների ընդհատուած ամենամեայ այցելութիւնները հայրենիք եւ Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածին վերականգնուել են՝ արձանագրելով, որ դրանք նպաստում են հայրենաձանաչութեանը եւ հայրենի իրականութեանը հաղորդ դառնալուն:

Հետաքրքրուելով վարժարանների սաների ուսումնառութեամբ՝ Նորին Սրբութիւնը յորդորեց հայորդիներին, այցելութեան շրջանակներում ստացած տպաւորութիւններով խանդավառուած, ջանասիրութեամբ շարունակել ուսումը եւ դառնալ արժանաւոր գաւակները իրենց ժողովրդի՝ բարձր պահելով հայի անունն ու պատիւը Ֆրանսիայի մէջ:

Հայոց Հովուապետը սաներին պատգամեց նաեւ զօրացնել իրենց կապը Եկեղեցու հետ եւ մշտապէս հաղորդ լինել ազգային արժէքներին, որպէսզի կարողանան անխաթար պահպանել իրենց ինքնութիւնը:

Հանդիպմանը Նորին Սրբութիւնն իր գնահատանքը յայտնեց բարերարին, վարժարանների տնօրէններին, ուսուցչական անձնակազմին եւ հոգաբարձուներին՝ Հայաստան եւ Մայր Աթոռ այցելութիւնների կազմակերպման համար:

Իրենց հերթին աշակերտները հանդէս եկան երաժշտական կատարմամբ եւ ասումներով՝ հաճելի անակնկալ մատուցելով Վեհափառ Հայրապետին:

Վերջում Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը «Պահպանիչ» աղօթքով իր օրհնութիւնը բաշխեց ֆրանսահայ աշակերտներին:

# Church Happenings...



*Today's altar flowers are donated in honor of Vrej Pilavdjian & Ani Djirdjirian's Wedding.*

**Kiss of Peace-** We **need** volunteers to perform the "Kiss of Peace" during Sunday Badarak. It's a beautiful way to partake in our service. Please consider volunteering & call our church office to be placed on a rotating roster. Thank you.

**Armenian School:**

All lahmajun & sujuk orders must be in by July 24th, with pick-up date of July 30<sup>th</sup>. Please contact **Nora Balekji at 973-513-2507** (sorry, no baghaj until further notice).

**St. Leon's Social Club:** Seniors have much to offer, wisdom, experience, and time! Our Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at the community center. You can play cards, backgammon, board games of your choice, or just enjoy a cup of coffee! We encourage you to bring a friend and spend an afternoon together! Donation is \$3. Hope to see you there this week!

**2022 Church Directory** – Additional copies of our 2022 St. Leon Church Directory can be purchased. Call church office on weekdays or speak with a Parish Council member on Sundays.

**Coffee Hospitality:** Today's hospitality is hosted by our *Sunday School*. Please join us in Abajian Hall after church service.

# 25th Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing

We are excited to announce the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing. Over twenty-five years ago the founders of this event, Arthur Ohnikian, Dick Keurajian assisted by Rich Ohnikian, George Kachagian and Gabe Kaprelian set out to create a day of fellowship, competition, and great fun. We honor their tradition and legacy and this year we are taking the event to the next level. The enhancements for 2022 include:

- Hosting the event on the championship layout at Haworth Country Club
- Adding a tennis option to attract non-golfers who want to enjoy fellowship on the courts
- Live entertainment starting at the cocktail hour featuring “On the Lam band”
- Commemorative 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary hat included for each player
- Ideal fall season timing on September 26th

We are actively seeking participants and sponsors with 100% of the sponsorship proceeds going to St. Leon Armenian Church. There are a range of opportunities at different levels. Please keep in mind this is a big year for St. Leon Armenian Church with a big return to in person activities and the planned renovation of Abajian hall this summer!

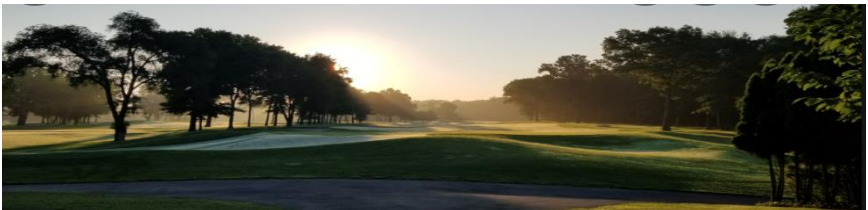
Please join us at Haworth Country Club on Monday September 26, 2022. Father Diran and the golf committee invite you to join us for a day on the golf course or tennis courts. You can also simply join for cocktails, food and live entertainment. Kindly spread the word and extend the number of people you ask to join. All are welcome!

Please reach out if you have any questions or have something you would like to discuss.

All the best,

St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Open Committee

Rich Berenson (917) 854-2357, Rich Ohnikian, Mike Ohnikian, Matt Royland, Tom Reidel, Haig Najarian (Tennis)





# 25th Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing

Titanium Sponsor \$5,000  
(Includes four players for golf or tennis, registration signage, dinner-for-four as well as two hole sponsorships)

Platinum Sponsor..... \$2,500  
(Includes four players for golf or tennis dinner-for-two as well as one hole sponsorship)

Registration Sponsor..... \$1,000

Dinner Sponsor..... \$750

Lunch Sponsor..... \$500

Beverage Sponsor..... \$300

Hole Sponsor.....\$150

Sponsorship of any amount.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$1,000 or more includes two dinner guests, \$500 or more includes one dinner guest)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

To be printed on sponsor sign \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note “golf sponsorship” in the memo area.

Mail to: Rich Berenson, 831 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481  
(917) 854-2357.



**25<sup>th</sup> Annual Saint Leon Armenian Church Golf Open**  
**Monday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Haworth Country Club**  
**33 Lakeshore Drive, Haworth, NJ 07641 (201) 384-7300**  
**Event Details and Golfer Registration Form**

9:30 – 11:30 am Registration, Driving Range, Practice facility, Brunch starting at 10 am

11:30 am Golf Shotgun start – Format: Four-person scramble, men’s and ladies’ tees.

2:00 Tennis Clinic and Round Robin format play (arrive by 1:30 pm)

4:30 pm On the Lam Band, Hors D’oeuvres, Open bar beer and wine

6 pm Dinner, Awards and Door Prizes

**Early bird golfer fee thru July 15<sup>th</sup>: \$250 per player. \$275 after July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Early bird tennis fee thru July 15<sup>th</sup>. \$150 per player. \$165 after July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Dinner, beer and wine and entertainment \$100 per person.**

- Make check payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note “golf/tennis” in the memo area.
- Mail to: Rich Berenson, 831 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481 (917) 854-2357. Registration deadline September 6, 2022.
- Total amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_.

Player Information – we will match you up If necessary.

Check here if tennis

Player

1 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

2 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

3 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

4 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

*Special requests (food allergies, etc.)*

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# Ի՞նչ կը մտածէ Սփիւռքը

## What does the Diaspora think?

Հայկական Սփիւռքի Հարցախոյզը (ՀՍՀ) աշխարհի տարբեր երկիրներու մէջ հայկական համայնքներու հասարակական կարծիքը ուսումնասիրող գիտահետազոտական աշխատանք մըն է որու նպատակն է ներկայացնել այն հարցերը, դիրքորոշումները եւ հակումները որոնք կը ձեւաւորեն 21-րդ դարու հայկական աշխարհը:

Ավադեմական փորձագետներու եւ մասնագետներու խմբակի մը առաջնորդութեամբ, ՀՍՀ-ը կը փորձէ ներկայացնել սփիւռքի արդի պատկեր մը: Այս ծրագիրը կու գայ ամբողջացնելու սփիւռքագիտութեան հիմնական պակաս մը եւ կը տրամադրէ սփիւռքեան կեանքին վերաբերող այլազան եւ բազմաշերտ հասկացողութիւն մը:

ՀՍՀ-ը կը գործէ Լոնտոնի Հայկական Հիմնարկի հովանաւորութեամբ եւ Գալուստ Կիւպէնկեան Հիմնարկութեան նիւթական աջակցութեամբ:

Այս տարի հարցախոյզը **Միացեալ Նահանգներու եւ Օնթարիո, Գանատայի** համայնքներուն մէջ պիտի կատարուի:

Մեկնարկը **6 Մայիսին** է եւ կաւարտի 29 Յուլիս 2022-ին:

**Ձեր տեսակէտն ու կարծիքը կարեւոր են:**

Հարցախոյզը կրնաք լրացնել առցանց այցելելով՝ [www.armeniadiasporasurvey.com](http://www.armeniadiasporasurvey.com)

**The Armenian Diaspora Survey (ADS)** is a research project on public opinion in Armenian diaspora communities around the world, to inform the public, scholars, policy-makers and community leaders about the issues, attitudes and trends shaping the Armenian world in the 21st century.

Led by a team of academics, researchers and experts, the ADS aims to provide a snapshot of the contemporary Diaspora. The project fills a critical gap in the knowledge of the Diaspora and provides evidence-based understanding of the multilayered and diverse aspects of diasporic life.

ADS is funded by the Armenian Communities Department of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation and carried out under the auspices of the Armenian Institute in London.

This year, the survey will be held in the Armenian communities in **the United States and Ontario, Canada.**

The survey will be launched on **May 6** and close on July 29, 2022.

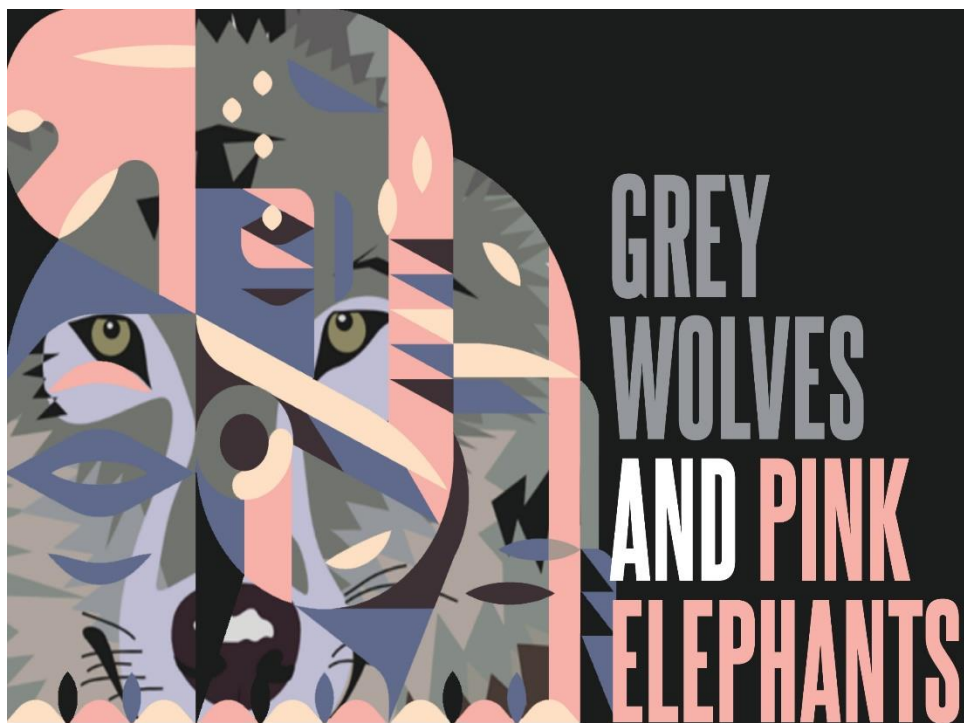
**Your views and opinion matter.**

Complete the questionnaire online : [www.armeniadiasporasurvey.com](http://www.armeniadiasporasurvey.com)

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May 6, 2022

July 29, 2022



# GREY WOLVES AND PINK ELEPHANTS

## THE SCIENCE OF DENIAL AND FALSE BELIEFS

TUESDAYS, STARTING JULY 5 / 7:00 TO 8:30 PM EASTERN TIME  
USA / CANADA

REGISTER ON  **zoom** <https://bit.ly/Pink-Elephants>

**90-MINUTE CLASSES / TUITION FOR 4 SESSIONS: \$75 DONATION PER HOUSEHOLD TO ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH**

**KHATCHIG MOURADIAN, PH.D.**

instructor

Dr. Mouradian is a lecturer at Columbia University, and the Armenian and Georgian Area Specialist at the Library of Congress.



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Relying on scientific research in various fields of study, the course examines denial and false beliefs. Each session surveys research on aspects of false beliefs and their propagation, and then delves into case studies, primarily from the United States, Turkey and Armenia.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [ARA@EDRCORP.NET](mailto:ARA@EDRCORP.NET) / 917 837 1297



*Holy Name Medical Center* provides  
**COMPLIMENTARY BLOOD  
PRESSURE SCREENING**  
every third Wednesday of each month,  
from 3-5pm, at Abajian Hall.

We need more participants for this service to continue. Please consider stopping by on our next scheduled screening- **July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. Mark your calendars. You may call the church office with any questions and to confirm your attendance.

Your heart will  
thank you!





# St. Leon Armenian Church

**Paving the Way...Brick by Brick**

Assist in paving the way to St. Leon Armenian Church's new education and recreation building. A common area at the entry to the building will consist of engraved bricks. This is a wonderful way to make your support of this facility permanently known. You may choose to have your name, the name of a child or grandchild, birthday, anniversary or graduation day, engraved on the brick. The possibilities are numerous and the help invaluable in meeting our goal of expanding our ministry by expanding our facilities.

There are two sizes to choose from in English and Armenian letters. Each donor will receive a certificate of ownership and the satisfaction of knowing that your support will help our St. Leon family continue to grow in faith in the Armenian Church well into the 21st century.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	July 10	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy
Sun	July 17	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy
Sun	July 24	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Feast of Transfiguration of our Lord
Sun	July 31	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy

**Last Gospel:**  
John 12:24-26

*~There are no wedding sacraments permitted on the five major feast days in the Armenian Church which are:*

**Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2022**

**Easter – April 17, 2022**

**Transfiguration – July 24, 2022**

**Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 14, 2022**

**Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 11, 2022**

