Readings from the Holy Scripture
Is 3:1-11
Rom 11:13-24

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

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“Krisdos ee méch me haydnetsav.” – “Orhnyal é haydnoootyoonun Krisdosi.”
“Christ is revealed among us.” - “Blessed is the revelation of Christ.”

St. Leon Armenian Church is closed indefinitely. You can request Hokehankisd by calling the Church Office.

We would like to welcome our new intern Levon Asdourian and his wife Donna and daughter Zabelle. Deacon Levon will be offering today’s homily.


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.*

**NOTE: St. Leon Armenian Church is closed**

**Sunday services is behind closed doors**

**GRADUATES** If you are a 2020 High School and/or College Graduate from the St. Leon Church Sunday School/ACYOA, there will be a Graduate Page in our July/August Lradoo. Please e-mail your picture and ONE paragraph of your accomplishments to the Church office as soon as possible. When sending the information via email, please call the office to make sure the office received it. stleon@stleon.org
ALL ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Sunday School and Armenian School have been suspended
Bible Study has been suspended
St. Leon Social Club (Wednesday’s) is suspended

KIDNEY DONOR REQUESTS

Robert Ross is one our St. Leon Parishioners and is in need of a kidney transplant. Please call Marlene Ross for further information (201-410-5840). Any donation of a kidney match or otherwise elevates the patient to the top of the list.

Sebuh Oscherician is one of our St. Leon Parishioners and Deacon and is in need of a kidney transplant. Please call Rita Oscherician for further information (201-417-7145). Any donation of a kidney match or otherwise elevates the patient to the top of the list.
ST. LEON SOCIAL CLUB  Suspended

Seniors have much to offer - our wisdom, our experience and our time. St. Leon Social Club meets every Wednesday from 11:00-4:00 PM. Donation $4.00 coffee and dessert. Bring a sandwich, lunch is at 12:00 noon. There are card games, backgammon, bring a board game or just sit around and have coffee and dessert. Bring a friend and enjoy the afternoon.

CANDLES

If you would like to come to church to light a candle, we set aside

Tuesday from 11:00-1:00 PM or

Thursday 5:00 – 7:00 PM.

Call the church office (201-791-2862) and let us know what day and time you would like to come and light a candle. By appointment only.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON FLYER.

NAMES, MONUMENTS & RACISM

the links for the classes are noted below.

High schoolers: https://bit.ly/3g1nVKI

Adults: https://bit.ly/38xqfGP
Announcing the
St. Leon Drive-by Food Pantry Donation Day

St. Leon parishioners have always donated food for those in need. During this time of the pandemic and not being able to attend church, we still want to do our part in continuing to support our local food pantry. Therefore, we will have a drive-by food donation day. We hope many of our parishioners will participate.

For more information call Barbara Hovsepian cell 551-206-6686

Sunday, July 19, 2020 between the hours of 1 PM to 3 PM.
Rain date Sunday July 26

Please bring non-perishable food in a supermarket bag. Or a gift card in any amount that the food pantry can use to buy perishable food items.

PROCEDURE
• Cars must enter the driveway to the north between the church and priest’s house, drive to the patio area, one person wearing a mask can get out to drop off the donation on the patio area.
• Gift cards can be donated and put in the box on the patio labeled Gift Cards.
• Cars then continue around the back of the Community Center and exit from the south side between the church and the Trinity house.

Our Custodians will collect the food and gift cards and drive them to the food pantry.

Most Needed Items

Supermarket Gift Cards
Canned Meat (tuna, chicken, etc.)
Canned Hearty Soups
Canned Vegetables and Tomatoes
Pasta, White and Brown Rice, Dried Beans
Macaroni & Cheese
Peanut Butter & Jelly
Tomato Sauce
Coffee
Baby Formula & Diapers sizes 4, 5 & 6
Bar or Bottled Soap
Toothpaste, Toothbrush & Dental

Cold Cereal (low sugar), Oatmeal, Pancake Mix
Powdered Milk and/or Boxed Milk, such as Parmalat
Canned Fruits
Instant Potatoes
100% Juice
2020 CHURCH OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT

Fr. Diran and the Parish Council are excited to announce that the doors to our sanctuary will be opening for our faithful on Sunday, July 19! However, pursuant to an Executive Order signed by the Governor of New Jersey, our capacity will unfortunately be limited to only 50 people.

In order to take appropriate precautions, encourage social distancing, and prevent the spread of COVID-19 amongst our community, anybody attending Divine Liturgy will be required to wear a face mask throughout their entire stay in the sanctuary. Additionally, hand sanitizer will be available in the narthex, and its use will be encouraged upon arrival. Each attendee will also have his/her temperature evaluated with an infrared thermometer prior to entering the sanctuary, and will subsequently be escorted to a designated seat marked with an “X”.

Since we can only accommodate a total of 50 people for the time being, anybody who would like to attend Divine Liturgy must contact the church office by calling 201-791-2862 by 12pm on the Friday before each upcoming Sunday to secure a space.

Any family that has requested a requiem service (hokehankisd), will be able to have a total of 10 family members attending services. We ask that each person’s name be provided to Mary Ann in the church office.

Lastly, while we cannot wait to see everybody at church again very soon, we encourage anybody who is 65 and older, or may have an underlying heath condition, to continue worshipping with us through our livestream, so as not to jeopardize their health or well-being.
BIBLE STUDY  Wednesday July 22, 2020  at 7:30 p.m.
Bible Study is conducted by ZOOM

The Song of Solomon

Chapter 6:4  “The Bride’s Matchless Beauty”
Chapter 7 “Expressions of Praise”
Chapter 8:5 “Homecoming”

This book is a poem which is full of symbolic language. Scholars have a difference in understanding of this book. Some say that King Solomon chooses a country girl for his bride but the young lady refuses the kings advances in favor of her country lover. Another understanding is that the country lover and Solomon are the same person. Jews view this book as metaphor in God’s love for the Jewish people. Christians view this book as Christ’s love for the church. There is a heavy focus of passionate and erotic love between this man and woman which is expressed in a very descriptive way.

Last Gospel is John 1:1-14
NAMES MONUMENTS AND RACISM
A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TUESDAYS, STARTING JULY 14 / 7:00 TO 8:15 PM (EASTERN TIME)
COLLEGE STUDENTS & ADULTS WEDNESDAYS, STARTING JULY 15 / 7:00 TO 8:15 PM

REGISTER NOW!

75-MINUTE CLASSES / TUITION FOR 4 SESSIONS: $60 DONATION TO ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

KHATCHIG MOURADIAN, PH.D.
INSTRUCTOR
Lecturer in Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies at Columbia University, where he also heads the Armenian studies program.

In the wake of George Floyd’s murder, there has been increased scrutiny of names and statues that perpetuate racism and white supremacy. Over the past weeks, sports teams, records labels, major food brands, and institutions have been pressed to change names with racist connotations. At the same time, protesters have toppled or called for the removal of confederate statues and monuments dedicated to slave-owners across the U.S. Similar dynamics are playing out in Belgium, the UK, and other countries around the world.

Join Prof. Khatchig Mouradian in this 4-week multi-media seminar to explore how rethinking the words we employ, and the monuments we erect in public spaces constitute important steps on the path to confronting racism and injustice. The seminar will focus on case studies from the United States, alongside examples from Armenia, Turkey, Germany, Lebanon, Namibia, and Japan.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: ARA@EDCORP.NET / 817 837 1297