

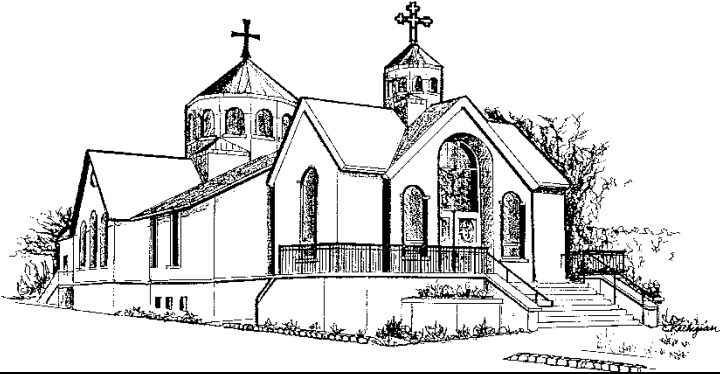
**ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH**  
*Feast of the Catholic Church of Holy Etchmiadzin*  
*June 14, 2020*

**Morning Service 9:00 AM**

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**Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM**

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***Readings from the Holy Scripture***

Zec 3:7-4:9

Heb 9:1-10

Gospel According to John 10:22-30

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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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 closed indefinitely. You can request Hokehankisd by calling the Church Office.**



**Before the singing of the Hayr Mer, Fr. Diran will conduct the prayer service for the Feast of Holy Etchmiadzin.**

## HOKEHANKISD

✚ Saro, Hilda, Nairi, Nanor and Aram Hartounian;

Mayda Kuredjian; Amen, Raffi & Lori Kelechian; Arsen, Marina and Perla Sarafian request Hokehankisd for the soul of

**Makrouhi Kuredjian**, (passed away in Beirut, Lebanon) loving mother and grandmother on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in her memory.

✚ Vartouhi Vapurcuyan, Alan & Arpena Vapurcuyan & Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Vartkes Vapurcuyan**, loving husband, father and grandfather on the 40<sup>th</sup> day of his passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

✝ The Women's Guild request Hokehankisd for the soul of the **Departed members of the Women's Guild** of their passing into eternal rest. Altar Candles are lit today in their memory. See insert for the departed members.

✝ Eduard Ohanyan and Sahakanush Khachatryan request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Tsolak Kachatryan, Vagarshak Ohanyan, Angela (Knarik) Ohanyan, Hovanes Ohanyan** of their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their 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 Kyle Wakefield, Karen Weidner, Robert John Karanfilian III, Annette Kouchshirin, Brandon Katz, George Ghazarian Jr., Robert Foronjy, Jim & Wendy Lathey, , Dan Patoyia (Moynihan), Juliette Haddad, James Azarian, Varoujan Harutunian, Mosses Bairamian, Jared Tashjian, 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*.

**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 by 6/30/20 When sending the information via email, please call the office to make sure the office received it.

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**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.

## **BIBLE STUDY Wednesday June 17, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

Bible Study is conducted by ZOOM

### The Book of Ecclesiastes

Chapter 9 “Take life as it Comes”

Chapter 10 “Miscellaneous Observations”

Chapter 11 “The Value of Diligence”

The Book of Ecclesiastes is believed to have been written by King Solomon in his later years. The writings take stock of the world he experienced between the horizons of birth and death. There is much wisdom gleaned from the verses in Chapters 4-8, which were the subject of a Zoom Bible Study this past week. A sample of these wisdom verses follows:

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up.... A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." (Chapter 4:9-10; 12)

"Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income." (Chapter 5: 10)

"A good name is better than fine perfume, and the day of death better than the day of birth." (Chapter 7: 1)

"Who is like the wise man? Who knows the explanation of things? Wisdom brightens a man's face and changes his hard appearance." (Chapter

**The Women's Guild request Hokehankisd for the soul of  
their members of their passing into eternal rest.**

Helen (Heghineh) Abajian

Baidsar Abajy

Shamena Afarian

Ann Aginian

Aghavni Agzigian

Azniv Ajemian\*\*

Gadar Aljian

Tooma Aljian

Elena Suzy Amirian

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Vartouhie Bakalian

Lucie Baroutjian

Azniv Bazazian

Lucy Bedrosian

Mary Bedrosian

Tooma Berberian

Elizabeth Beshlian  
Siranoush Boyajian  
Shakae Bozian  
Arminoohy Osdanikian Caldara  
Jenev Chakamian  
May Chakmakian  
Rose Chookazian  
Virginia Dabaghian  
Emilin Dabagian  
Lucy Dabagian\*\*  
Mary Dabbakian  
Agavni Danielian  
Yeranig Dermanjian\*\*  
Lillian DePalma  
Armenouhie Der Aprahamian  
Anna Der Boghosian\*\*  
Arax Der Boghosian  
Haiganoush Diradourian  
Arshalous (Charlotte) Dishian  
Fanny Dishian  
Makrouhi Dishian\*\*  
Vartanoush Dishian  
Marge Donabedian  
Elsie Donigian  
Rose Donigian



Sara Egarian

Nadine Aljian Fatzinger

Ann Kafafian Formica

Manooshag Froomjian

Siran Gabrellian\*\*

Almas Gamarekian

Elsie Gamarekian

Macrouhi Gamgochian

Rebecca Garbooshian

Tooma Pinajian Garjian

Maritza Giragosian

Florence Grunstra\*\*

Florence Gulkasian\*\*

Elizabeth Hachigian\*\*

Azniv Hagopian

Helen Haig\*\*

Andrea Halejian\*\*

Floraine Halejian

Diramayr Meline Hallajian

Yn. Rose Hallajian

Margaret Hartunian

Nevart Hartunian

Linda Harutunian\*\*

Arpine Holopikian

Virginia Holopikian

Elizabeth Homan

Araxie Jamgochian

Nazalie Jamgochian

Arek Jerahian

Araxie Jerrahian

Nectar Jerrahian

Ardemis Jesraly

Anita Jessourian

Ann Kachigian

Annette Kafafian

Lucia Kafafian

Mary Kalajian

Agnes Kapoian

Dorothy Karamian

Rose Kardashian

Tooma Kardashian

Satenig Kazanjian

Mary Ann Kinoian

Rose A. Koseyan

Violet Kougasian

Sirvart Kurkjian

Anahid Lamb

Haiganoush Mardirosian

Helen Mardirosian

Grace Margosian

Vivian Margossian

Aghavni Marookian

Anne Marootian

Berjouhi Marootian

Tansif Marootian

Vartouhi Marootian\*\*

Manoosh Mazejian

Helen Mazoujian\*\*

Violet Mazoujian

Elizabeth Minassian

Lucia Najarian

Zarouhi Najimian\*\*

Arpine Nakashian

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Elizabeth Vartanesian

Mary Vartanesian\*\*

Yeranuhe Vartanesian

Mary Varteresian

Agnes Voskian \*\*

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Yeranig Yacoubian

Alice Yazmajian\*\*

Kora Zadigian

**\*\* Denotes Chair or Co-Chair**

Last Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30



## The Feast of Holy Etchmiadzin

Its name means “The Place Where the Only Begotten Came Down,” and its eternal message—that the Son of God touched the earth, shared in our humanity, even mystically struck the soil of our homeland—is as deeply meaningful today as it was seventeen centuries ago.

We will honor that message on Sunday, June 14, as the Armenian Church celebrates the Feast of the Catholic Church of Holy Etchmiadzin (canonically known as *Don Sourp Etchmiadzini Gatoghiguh Yegeghetzin*).

The cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin was built in A.D. 303, after St. Gregory the Illuminator had a vision in which Christ struck the ground with a golden hammer and instructed Gregory to erect a church on the site.

The feast day commemorates the founding of the Universal Church (the idea that there was one church, founded by Jesus Christ and spread by the Apostles) and St. Gregory’s vision. It follows the Feast of St. Gregory the Enlightener’s Deliverance from the Pit, which will be observed on Saturday, June 13.

A special ceremony marks the day, in which the “Prayer for the Catholicos and the Feast of Holy Etchmiadzin” is offered in the world’s Armenian churches.

*Above: Detail of the St. Gregory Gate, the entryway to the Mother See of Holy*

*Etchmiadzin, constructed by the order of His Holiness Karekin II. The impressive relief depicts King Drtad and St. Gregory the Illuminator, the principal figures in Etchmiadzin’s foundation.*

**Ի նպաստ Մայր Աթոռի կողմից իրականացվող ծրագրերի**

Համավարակի հետևանքների հաղթահարմանն ուղղված Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնի սոցիալական աջակցության ծրագրերի խթանման նպատակով Մայր Աթոռում շարունակվում են նվիրատվություններ ստացվել աշխարհասփյուռ թեմերից, անհատներից, տարբեր ազգային հաստատություններից ու հիմնադրամներից:

Մեծ Բրիտանիայի և Իռլանդիայի հայոց թեմը նվիրաբերել է 5.000 (հինգ հազար) ԱՄՆ դոլար գումար:

Ուկրաինայի հայոց թեմը կարիքավոր ընտանիքներին բաշխման նպատակով Մայր Աթոռին փոխանցել է 5.000 (հինգ հազար) ԱՄՆ դոլար գումարին համարժեք պարենային մթերք:

Քրք Քրքորյանի «Լինսի» հիմնադրամի կողմից Մայր Աթոռին հատկացվել է 25.000 (քսանհինգ հազար) ԱՄՆ դոլար գումար:

«Ջինիշյան» հիշատակի հիմնադրամը փոխանցել է 20.000 (քսան հազար) ԱՄՆ դոլար գումար՝ ի գորակցություն Սիրիայի հայ համայնքի:

Կանադայի հայոց թեմի հոգևոր սպասավոր Արժանապատիվ Տ. Չարեհ ավագ քահանա Չարգարյանի կողմից Սուրբ Էջմիածնին է նվիրաբերվել հավաքագրված 5.000 (հինգ հազար) կանադական դոլար գումար:



# RACIAL INJUSTICE and RESPONSIBILITY

When it comes to historical violence and contemporary inequality, none of us are completely innocent. Join us to examine the legacy of racial violence and inequality from post-emancipation to the present and the responsibility of non-perpetrators of historical and contemporary violence in sustaining systemic injustice, domination and racism.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23 / 7:30 P.M.**

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