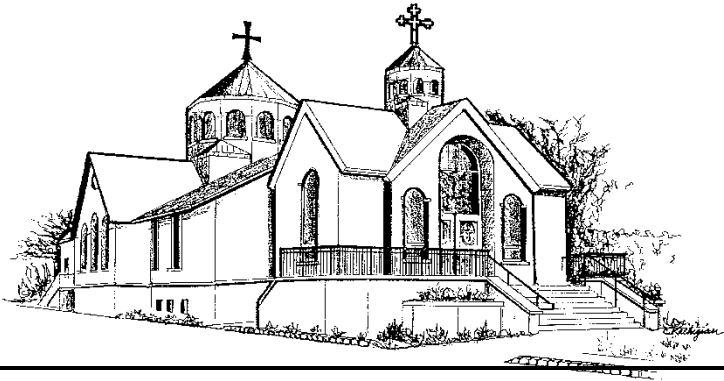


ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
June 27, 2021

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Is 2:5-11

Rom 8:31-10:4

Gospel According to Mathew 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

Sr. Dns. Dr. Berdj Feredjian,

Diran Jebejian, Hrach Kasaryan, Nubar Kasaryan,
Sebuh Oscherician, Sarkis Pilavdjian, Nurhan Ezik, Levon Asdourian

Subdns. Paul Chamesian, Gregory Kazanjian, Vahe Kiljian,
Jack Hamparian

CHOIR MASTER

George Paroonagian

PRINCIPAL ORGANIST

Sirvard Galstian



“Krisdos ee méch me haydnetsav.” – “Orhnyal é haydnootoyonun Krisdosi.”

“Christ is revealed among us.” - “Blessed is the revelation of Christ.”

HOKEHANKISD

† George & Rose Balabanian & Sons request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Abraham Nalbantian**, loving brother on the **1st year** of his passing into eternal rest, **Avedis & Nevart Nalbantian**, loving parents & grandparents, **Haroutun & Elizabeth Balabanian**, loving parents & grandparents, **Sarkis Balabanian** loving brother and uncle, **Paul Balabanian** loving brother and uncle, **Mary Balabanian** loving sister, **Yezagel Balabanian** loving brother and for all the souls of the **Nalbantian and Balabanian Families** of their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

† Mrs. Gail Soultanian, Mrs. Takouhy Soultanian,
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Soultanian & Family,
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Soultanian & Family, The Sarkisian Family,
Mrs. Sinamian & Family, Mrs. Katcherian & Family, Parseghian &
Sulahrian Families request Hokehankisd for the soul of
David Soultanian, loving husband on the **4th year**,
Deacon Sarkis Soultanian loving husband, father & grandfather
on his **22nd year** of his passing into eternal rest and for the soul of

Hovhanes & Nouritza Parseghian, Vartkes Sinamian, Garabed & Armenouhi Soutanian, Kevork Soutanian, Hagop & Asdghig Sarkisian, Krikor Khatcherian, Kevork Soutanian & Steve Gorgetti of their passing into eternal rest. The Families have contributed toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in memory of our loved ones.

† Margaret Minassian, Thomas, Carol, Adrienne & Kathryn Ashbahian, Lauren & Charles Avery, Susan, Louis & Nicholas Alfano, Mary & Gary Corbiscello request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Khachik “Archie” Minassian** loving husband, father, grandfather on the **10th year** of his passing into eternal rest. The Families have contributed toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in is 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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of Robert John Karanfilian III, Silva Jinivizian, Greg Tenbekjian, Annette Kouchshirin, Brandon Katz, Zoe Brooks, 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*.

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ՆՈՐ ՈՒՂՂԱԳՐՈՒԹՅԱՄԲ

Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսն ընդունեց Հունգարիայից մի խումբ ուխտավորների

Հունիսի 25-ին Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսն ընդունեց Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածին այցելած Հունգարիայի մի խումբ ուխտավորների, որոնց թվում էին Հունգարիայի փոխվարչապետ Ժոլտ Շեմյենը և Հունգարիայի Պիտեր Պազմանի անվան կաթոլիկ համալսարանի ներկայացուցիչներ:

Հանդիպմանը ներկա էին Դամասկոսի հայոց թեմի առաջնորդ Տ. Արմաշ եպիսկոպոս Նալբանդյանը, Երևանի Խաչատուր Աբովյանի անվան պետական մանկավարժական համալսարանի ռեկտոր, պ.գ.դ., պրոֆեսոր Ռուբեն Միրզախանյանը և Հայաստան-Հունգարիա բարեկամության և մշակութային կապերի ընկերության նախագահ Անահիտ Սիմոնյանը:

Զրույցի ընթացքում անդրադարձ կատարվեց երկու կրթական հաստատության միջև հաստատված սերտ գործակցությանը, Հայոց Եկեղեցու միջեկեղեցական հարաբերություններին, ինչպես նաև Հունգարիայի հայ համայնքի կյանքին:

Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսն առանձին հանդիպում ունեցավ նաև Հունգարիայի փոխվարչապետ Ժուլտ Շեմյենի հետ:



BIBLE STUDY

TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Zoom Bible Study Wednesday,
July 7, 2021 If you would like to
participate please call or e-mail Fr.
Diran and he will send you the link
for the Bible Study.

Book of Isaiah

Chapter 3 “Judgement Pronounced on Arrogance”

Chapter 4 “The Future Glory of the Survivors in Zion”

Chapter 5 “Social Injustice Denounced”

In the book of the Micah a verse in chapter six sums up what God wants from us, it states, “...O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” Throughout the life of Israel there have been many prophets. Each prophet was prepared and purified in order to speak the truth, the only truth, which is what God wanted for his people, communion. The word of the Lord has been very difficult to except for the things of this world, riches and power has always lured man to stray from his walk with God. The prophet Isaiah states, “O House of Jacob, come let us walk in the light of the Lord!” The people of Israel had wealth in gold and silver, in horses and chariots but they left God. The prophets warned the people to turn from their ways back to right worship to God.

The message of the prophets is repentance, which is repeated to God’s people again and again for them, and for us, to walk with the Lord and remain his people.



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE HOLY MOTHER-OF- GOD

St. Mary died in Jerusalem fifteen years after the Resurrection of Christ. The Apostles, with the exception of St. Bartholomew, buried her with great reverence in the Garden of Gethsemane. When Bartholomew came to visit the tomb and pay his respects, he found it empty. He and the Apostles were convinced her body had been taken to heaven by the Lord. This belief was sanctioned by the Church between the 9th and 12th century.

On the day of the Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother-of-God (*ASDVADZADZIN - Bearer of God*), the Blessing of Grapes takes place immediately after the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. As thanksgiving for the fruitfulness of the year, fruits are presented to God to be blessed. The grapes are considered the queen of fruits, thereby symbolizing all crops. The Holy Virgin Mary is considered the "Tree of Life" who gave birth to the "Good Fruit" (Christ) for our salvation. Christ compared Himself to the Vine (John 15:1) and blessed the cup of wine to be His Blood. Grape wine is used in Holy Communion as the Blood of Christ that was shed for the salvation of mankind.

BLESSING OF THE GRAPES

On Sunday, August 15, 2021 we will commemorate -The Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother-of-God and the Blessing of Grapes. If you wish to give a contribution to the Feast Day, please fill in the form below and mail it to the Church Office with your check by Sunday, August 1, 2021

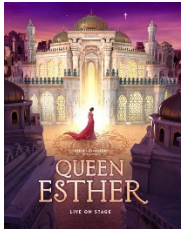
Please mark "*Grapes*" on the memo line.

Name _____
(Please Print)

Donation \$ _____

Please Note – This is a major Feast Day there will be NO Hokehankisd on this day.

A Timeless Story of Relentless Strength



QUEEN ESTHER

*Sight and Sound Millennium
Theatre
Lancaster, Pennsylvania*

Saturday, November 6, 2021

30 TICKETS REMAINING First come First served

Sponsored by the St. Leon Parish Council

Subsidized cost (for St. Leon dues-paying members only)
includes performance, transportation and a lavish buffet lunch
before the performance.

ADULTS: \$75 subsidized KIDS: \$35 subsidized
\$140 unsubsidized (3-12) \$80 unsubsidized

Schedule of Day's Events

9:30 a.m. Bus departs from St. Leon Church
12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Lavish buffet Lunch – Local Restaurant
3:00 p.m. Performance
5:45 p.m. Bus departs Lancaster, PA – please bring a sandwich/drink for the ride home
9:15 p.m. Bus arrives at St. Leon Church.

Check payable to St. Leon Armenian Church (write Esther in memo line)

Check confirms reservation

***Mail to: Berdjouhi Parseghian, 727 Chestnut Pl. Franklin Lakes,
NJ 07417***

(Provide e-mail, cell number, name and ages of children with reservation.)

*For additional information please contact Berdjouhi Parseghian
(201) 848-9294 or Berdjouhi1@gmail.com*

VOCATIONS

FULFILLING THE PROMISE
OF ST. NERCESS SEMINARY

SATURDAY, NOV. 13, 2021

OLD TAPPAN MANOR, OLD TAPPAN, NEW JERSEY

St. Nersess to Honor First 12

Armonk, NY – St. Nersess Armenian Seminary will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary on November 13 at a special banquet which will honor the vocations of the first 12 priests who graduated from St. Nersess and St. Vladimir's Seminaries and were ordained.

The celebratory dinner will take place on November 13 at the Old Tappan Manor in Old Tappan, N.J. This event is the first in a series to recognize the alumni of St. Nersess, both ordained and lay, who are in service to the Armenian Church, in any capacity.

This year's honorees, listed by ordination dates, are

Rev. Fr. Kevork Arakelian (1973)

Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian (1976)

Rev. Fr. Yeprem Kelegian (1977)

Rev. Fr. Mardiros Chevian (1985)

Rev. Fr. Shnork Demirjian (1991)

Rev. Fr. Diran Bohajian (1993)

Rev. Fr. Sahak Kaishian (1993)

Rev. Fr. Tavit Boyajian (1993)

Rev. Fr. Arakel Aljalian (1993)

Rev. Fr. Vasken Kouzouian (1994)

Rev. Fr. Stepanos Doudoukjian (1996)

Very Rev. Fr. Simeon Odabashian (1996)

Two honorees are from the Western Diocese.

The tribute has ignited numerous memories amongst the honorees.

“When reflecting upon the first time I knew I wanted to become a priest, I recall how impactful the first St. Nersess Summer Conference was in 1963,” reveals Fr. Kevork Arakelian, the first American-born graduate of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary to be ordained a priest. Another recollection, by Fr. Yeprem Kelegian, includes the greatest influences on his path to the seminary. “I remember the ‘luminaries’ of my youth - Archbishop Torkom

Manoogian, Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan, Der Arsen Barsamian, Der Dajad Davidian, and Der Karekin Kasparian.”

The evening will be filled with more nostalgic and celebratory reflections, as well as a special award. Invitations will be mailed in August, as well as commemorative keepsake booklet information to include your best wishes to the honorees. All donations will benefit the seminary and its ongoing mission.

For more information, please contact event co-chair Lynn Beylerian at (201) 914-0354 or lynnbeylerian@gmail.com or go to

www.stnersess.edu.

GRADUATES If you are a 2021 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 6/30/21 When sending the information via email, please call the office to make sure the office received it.

stleon@stleon.org 201-791-2862 [Mary Ann Mozian](#)

ARMENIAN SCHOOL - All orders to be picked up immediately after Badarak at the Youth Center. See Barbara Hovsepian.

COFFEE HOSPITALITY –St. Leon will be serving coffee only each Sunday following Church Services. The Community Center is rented today and Coffee will be served on the Patio.



***24th Annual
Saint Leon Armenian Church
Golf Open***



***Save the date, Monday Oct 4th, 2021
Details to be announced***



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Հայտարարություն

Խորը մտահոգությամբ տեղեկացանք Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնի «Իզմիրլյան» բժշկական կենտրոնի տնօրեն պրոֆեսոր Արմեն Չարչյանի կալանավորման մասին: Անվանի բժշկին առաջադրված մեղադրանքները մեծապես տարակուսելի են, և կալանավորման կայացված որոշումը՝ խիստ անհամաչափ, ինչի մասին փաստում են բազմաթիվ հեղինակավոր իրավագետներ: Ստեղծված իրավիճակում բժշկի նկատմամբ իրականացված գործողությունները առերևույթ դժվար է բնութագրել այլ կերպ, քան հալածանք և անհիմն հետապնդում, ինչը միանշանակորեն դատապարտելի է:-

Պատկան կառույցներին հորդորում ենք անհապաղ ազատ արձակել պրոֆեսոր Արմեն Չարչյանին՝ նկատի ունենալով նրա առողջական ոչ բարվոք վիճակը և նրա խնամքի տակ գտնվող անչափահաս երեխայի հանգամանքը:

Վաստակաշատ բժիշկ Արմեն Չարչյանը ամենածանր և դժվարին իրավիճակներում փրկել է հազարավոր կյանքեր և այսօր էլ, գլխավորելով Մայր Աթոռի «Իզմիրլյան» բժշկական կենտրոնը, շարունակում է իր անմնացորդ ծառայությունը բերել մեր ժողովրդին և հայրենիքին: Այժմ, կալանքի ծայրահեղ միջոցի կիրառմամբ, վտանգված է նրա առողջությունը, ինչպես նաև բացառվել է նրա

օժանդակությունը մարդկանց կյանքի և առողջության պաշտպանության հարցերում:

Վ ս տ ա հ ե ն ք , ո Ր ք Ր Ե ա կ ա ն գ ո Ր ծ ո վ նախաքնությունը կարելի է անցկացնել առանց բժիշկ Արմեն Չարչյանին հասարակությունից մեկուսացնելու: