ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Sunday of the Judge
March 14, 2021

Morning Service 9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

Readings from the Holy Scripture
Is 65:8-25
Phil 3:1-4:9

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

Today, we are happy to welcome our Primate His Grace Bishop Daniel who will offer the homily.

HOKEHANKISD

†Mary Berberian Petrossian & Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of Anooshervan Babken Petrossian, loving husband, father, uncle, brother & brother-in-law on the 40th day of his passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated towards the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

†Jan & Barbara Ohnikian, Richard & Margaret Ohnikian and Robert & Linda Ohnikian and their Families request Hokehankisd for the soul of Annette Ohnikian, loving aunt on the 40th 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.

†The Mozian Family, Mosco Family, Jensen Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of Annette Ohnikian, loving cousin on the 40th day of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has requested the Altar Candles be lit in her memory.
Anahid Yeranossian, Roger & Heidi Yeranossian & Family, Michael & Brigitte Ozanian, Kalousd & Lucy Yeranossian & Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of Haig Yeranossian, loving husband, father, grandfather, brother & uncle on the 40th 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.

Sebuh and Rita Oscherician, Francesca Fontana and Family request Hokehankisd for the souls of Constantin Eremia loving stepfather, step-grandfather and step-great grandfather on his 40th day, Ecaterina Garabetian loving mom, grandmother and great grandmother, Sofica Garabetian loving grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother, Haigaser Oscherician loving father, grandfather and great grandfather, Felicia Oscherician loving stepmother, step grandmother and great-grandmother, Salvatore Fontana loving husband, father and grandfather and great-grandfather of their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

Elsie, Leon Jr., Tina, Stephan, Michael, John and Steve Nigohosian and Tanya Vartivarian request Hokehankisd for the soul of Leon Nigohosian, Sr., loving husband, father & grandfather on the 1st year of his passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated towards the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

Betty Tashjian and Janette M. Tashjian request Hokehankisd for the soul of Vartkes Tashjian, loving husband & father on the 2nd year of his passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated
towards the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

† Raymond & Carol Nakashian Sukovich request Hokehankisd for the soul of our beloved parents, Arpine (Penny) Nakashian on the 17th year and John Nakashian on the 12th year of their passing into eternal rest, and for the soul of our dear aunt Armine Chilian on the 1st year of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated towards the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

† Virginia Clarke and Family request Hokehankisd for the soul of loving parents, Bedros and Rose Pinajian, loving grandparents, Boghos and Aghvanee Terpanian and loving sister Anne Baker, on their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request that the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

† Jill, David & Daniella, Timothy & Michelle, Sophia, Victoria, and Mason Ashbahian request Hokehankisd for the soul of Stephen Ashbahian, loving husband, father, and grandfather on the 5th year 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 Ajamian, Kachigian, and Le Families request Hokehankisd for the soul of Ann Kachigian loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother on the 1st year of her passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and has requested the Altar Candles be lit in her memory.

† In Sumgait, the victims included Lola Avakyan (b. 1961), Huri Avakyan (b. 1936), Albert Avanesyan (b. 1955), Valery Avanesyan (b. 1957), Ardash Arakelyan (b. 1937), Armo Aramyan (b. 1928), Arthur Aramyan (b. 1963),
Vladimir Arushanyan (b. 1936), Razmel Arushanyan (b. 1939), Arschag Papyayan (b. 1931), Emma Krikoryan (b. 1930), Alexander Hampuryan (b. 1936), Nicola Tanielyan (b. 1939), Seta Tanielan (b. 1938), Gury Mardirosof (b. 1954), Mischa Hampurzumyan (b. 1941), Soghomon Melkonyan (b. 1931), Rahisa Melkonyan (b. 1934), Igor Melkonyan (b. 1957), Yetvart Melkonyan (b. 1960), Irina Melkonyan (b. 1961), Piruza Melkonyan (b. 1920), Hersille Movsesova (b. 1912), Shahen Sarkisyan (b. 1937), Rafig Tovmasyan (b. 1956), Kapriel Dirtadov (b. 1926), and Tamara Mehdiyeva (b. 1920).

They were killed under torture (4), burned alive (10), and stoned, knifed or axed to death (13).

In addition, please include journalist and parliamentarian Samvel Shahmuradian. He is the author of *The Sumgait Tragedy*. He was killed at the age of 39 while serving in the first Karabagh war.

Also, we may want to include the 10 people killed on March 1, 2008, Tigran Abgaryan, Tigran Khachatryan, Gor Kloyan, Armen Farmanyan, David Petrosyan, Hovhannes Hovhannisyan, Samvel Harutyunyan, Zakar Hovhannisyan, Grigor Gevorgyan, Hamlet Tadevosyan during protests related to the presidential elections.

February 23 also marked the one-year anniversary of Ahmaud Arbery who was pursued and fatally shot in Glynn County, Georgia.

**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 Karanjilian III, Annette Kouchshirin, Brandon Katz, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Dan Patroya (Moynihan), Juliette Haddad, James Azarian, Varoujan Harutunian, Moses 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/1FAIpQLSdgfQZaD3jqIIniHzucDY28vt95vZmstSYU7Oaj01y_lb6nYhg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628

BIBLE STUDY
March 24, 2021
Located in Abajian Hall Lobby
TIME: 7:30 PM

The Book of Sirach
Chapter 40 “Human Wretchedness”
Chapter 41 “Concerning Death”
Chapter 42 “Daughters and Fathers”

In this week’s bible study the book of ‘Sirach’ continues to guide us, and advise us that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of all that is good. That the fear of the Lord will be our moral compass, which will show us the righteous way, in each situation that we face in our lives. Wise are those who are obedient and follow the commandments of God and live by them. Moreover when we have the fear of the Lord with us and uphold the commandments, we will love our neighbors, we will not speak with harsh words but with words that build up the other, and we will give mercy to those who ask from us.
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
Lenten Service Only
Friday Night at 7:30 PM

March 19, & 26, 2021  Lenten Service  7:30 pm

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING
TO BE HELD TODAY
MARCH 14, 2021
On behalf of Der Diran and the Parish Council of Saint Leon Armenian Church, we would like to invite you to our rescheduled 2021 Parish Assembly meeting, which will be held at Saint Leon Abajian Hall on Sunday, March 14th at 1 PM. Dues-paying members will be able to attend either “in-person” or “virtually” (via Zoom).

If you choose to attend our Parish Assembly “in-person”, you must first register by calling MaryAnne Bonjuklian at (201)-934-8930 or emailing your first and last name, and cell phone number to maryannebonjuklian@gmail.com by Thursday, March 11th of all those in your household who will be attending. Finally, you must check-in on Sunday, March 14th in Abajian Hall in order to receive your paper ballot. “In-person” attendees must vote with paper-ballot. Check-in will begin at 12 PM. Please note that face masks are required.

If you choose to attend our Parish Assembly meeting virtually (on Zoom), you must register by visiting the following website bit.ly/StLeonZoom and entering your first and last name, email and cell phone number. Registration cut-off is Thursday, March 11th. Each virtual attendee must complete a separate registration form. Once you have registered and been verified as an eligible voter, you will be sent an email with your Zoom invitation link. On the day of our assembly meeting, click on your Zoom invitation link at 12:45 PM to access the meeting. Please note that each virtual attendee must have their own email and device to access the assembly meeting, vote on assembly motions (via Zoom), and vote for candidates (via ElectionBuddy). Please make sure Zoom is installed on your electronic device prior to the day of our parish assembly.

Hope to hear from you soon if you plan on attending our Parish Assembly meeting.

Very truly yours,

Vicken Jessourian
LILIES FOR THE HOLY ALTAR

Parishioners who wish to make a contribution to the Lilies that will grace the Holy Altar on Easter Sunday by filling in the form below and submitting it to the Church Office by Monday, March 22, 2021. Enclosed please find the amount of $________.

LILIES - Please print:
Name ____________________________
In Honor of ________________________
In Memory of _______________________
Telephone _________________________

--- Alleluia! Alleluia! ---
Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise. Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the cross a Victim for the world’s salvation bled, Jesus Christ the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead. Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat. See the ancient powers of evil in confusion and retreat. Once he died and once was buried; now he lives forevermore. Jesus Christ, the world’s Redeemer, whom we worship and adore. Christ is risen, Christ the first fruits of the holy harvest field, Which will all its full abundance at his second coming yield. Then the golden ears of harvest will their heads before Him wave, Ripened by his glorious sunshine from the furrows of the grave. Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high; Alleluia! to the Savior, who has won the victory; Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity: Alleluia, alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.

(Christopher Wordsworth 1865)
Good Friday is the day Christians around the world commemorate the death and burial of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the Armenian Church tradition, during the Evening Vespers a tomb is placed in the Chancel of the Church and decorated with flowers and candles, reminding the congregation of the sacrificial crucifixion and death of our Lord for the sake of our salvation. It is a tradition in the Armenian Church for the congregation to bring flowers to the church to decorate the Tomb of the Lord. The flowers are placed on the tomb throughout the service. At the conclusion of the service, they are distributed to the congregation. This year at St. Leon Church, in addition to flowers, the tomb will once again be decorated with indoor potted plants. Every family will be invited to take a plant from the Tomb of the Lord and place it in their homes. As they grow and flourish, these plants will remind each member of our community of the beautiful bond we enjoy with each other and with our Church as our family in Christ.

Please help us maintain this beautiful spiritual custom in our Church. Your donation will help defray the cost of the purchase of these plants.

-Plants for Christ’s Tomb
Yes, I would like to support/maintain the beautiful tradition of our Armenian Church. Enclosed please find the amount of $_________ towards the purchase of plants for Christ’s Tomb. Please return this form with your donation to the Church Office by Monday, March 22, 2021.  Please print:

Name _____________________________________________________

In Honor of_________________________________________________

In Memory of_______________________________________________

Telephone_________________________________________
**KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE**

As 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. ՀԱՂՈՐԴԱԳՐՈՒԹՅՈՒՆ

**Last Gospel Matthew 11:25-30**
Fundamental Teachings of the Armenian Church

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 and convert sinners.
To comfort the sorrowing and afflicted.
To forgive offenses.
To suffer wrongs patiently.
To pray for others, living and dead.

The Four Cardinal Virtues: Prudence, Justice, Temperance and Fortitude.

Four Notes of the True Church: One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The spirit of wisdom and understanding.
The spirit of counsel and spiritual strength.
The spirit of knowledge and true godliness.
The spirit of holy fear of the Lord.

The Four Symbols of the Gospels

The Angel-St. Matthew
The Winged Lion-St. Mark
The Winged Ox-St. Luke
The Eagle-St. John
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Ամբողջական է նպատակինքի աշխատանքը, բարձրակերպական արտաքինությունը և հայրենիստ ավանդությունը
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ապարատատեսակ ծանր զգացումից էվրոն յուրացեք, որ մեր մայրենից
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ձեզ աշխատանքի և ճանակաչափանցումների հետ պահպանեք ձեզ ամենամեծ և
տեսարան երկրագործումներ, այսօր և միշտ, ամեն:
The Women’s Guild is offering Women’s Guild Choreg, Hantes Choreg and Cheese Boreg in time for Easter.

Everything will be made to order, frozen, packed and ready to be picked up on Palm Sunday, March 28th and Easter Sunday, April 4th in front of the rectory garage.

Deadline for orders is March 23, 2021. Please fill out the order form below, make your check payable to St. Leon Women’s Guild and mail to Marilou Pinajian 10 Wyckoff Terrace, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Call 201-791-0621 or email your order to mpinajian@gmail.com (new)

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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: ________________________________________
City / State / Zip: _________________________________
Telephone: ___________________________ Email: __________

Commemorative Brick Purchase:

**English Letters**

_____ 4” x 8” Brick @ $100.00
Maximum of two lines, 13 letters per line

_____ 8” x 8” Brick @ $250.00
Maximum of four lines, 13 letters per line

Amount Enclosed: $________

For 4” x 8” - engraving to read as follows: (please print clearly)

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Please return this form to:
Barbara Royland
44 Benson Avenue
Westwood, N.J. 07675
Email: byemom@optonline.net
201-666-5735
Check payable to: St. Leon (Memo: Brick Campaign)

All donations are tax deductible.