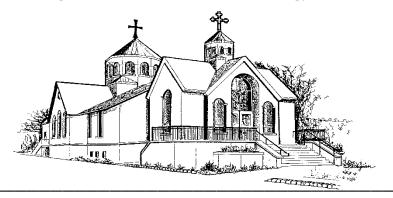
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Sunday of the Judge March 19, 2023

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Isaiah 65:8-25 Phil 3:1-4:9 Gospel of Luke 17:20-18:14

"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

Rev. Fr. Diran Bohajian ՏԻՐԱՆ ՔՀՆՑ ՊՕՀԱՃԵԱՆ

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HOKEHANKISD

Karine Stepanian, Zara Stepanian, Edita Kankanyan & family request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Hovhanes Stepanian</u>, beloved husband & father, on passing into eternal rest and also for the soul of <u>Eduard Arakelyan</u>, beloved brother & uncle, on passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

Vilma Ziylan, Anna Ucarian, Alis Munafo, Seta Yardim, and their families request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Kegham Ziylan</u>, beloved husband, brother & uncle, on the occasion of his 40th day, (Karasoonk) of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

Hokehankisd Deadline:

Kindly submit all Hokehankisd requests by <u>12 noon on Thursdays</u> to be included in that week's Sunday bulletin. Please note that there is a standard word format used to maintain consistency with all Hokehankisd requests.

You may email or call the church office to submit your Hokehankisd prayer request, M-F, 10am-4pm.

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,

Ruzanna Arevshatyan, Felicia Asomani, James Azarian, Mosses Bairamian, Hana Botie, Zoe Brooks, Frank Cornawchiulo, Jerry DiSant, Mike Fenarjian, Julie Frattarola, Ruben Grigoryants, Varoujan Harutunian, Lusine Hovsepyan, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Annette Kouchshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Fran Loiacono, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebuh Oscherician,, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tenguerian, 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 updating of the prayer list. If a name needs to be added or removed, notify the church office. Thank you.

Do you know what the writing above the altar says?



It is written in classical Armenian which says, "Love one another, because God is Love."

("Seeretsek izmeemeeyanis, zee Asdvadz ser e")

Church Etiquette

Reverence Required

* Please refrain from entering the pews when the following parts of the *Divine Liturgy* (Soorp Badarak) are taking place.

You may stand in the back of the church until these parts have ended.

The parish council members will be happy to assist you.

- 1. Chanting of the Gospel, pg. 17,
- 2. Recitation of the Creed (Havadamk), pg.18,
- 3. Chalice Procession, pg. 24-25,
- 4. Hayr Mer, pg. 41,
- 5. Hymn, "Der Voghormya," pg. 45, and
- 6. Holy Communion, pg. 49.
- * Also, please do not chew gum or cross legs during church services.
- * Please observe the "arrows" in the liturgy books, they indicate when you should Stand, Sit, or Kneel.
- *For your convenience, liturgy book pages are indicated on the monitor located on the right side of the altar.

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 Spírítual 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.



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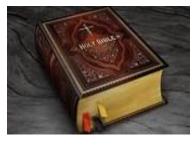
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Զրույցի ընթացքում դեսպանը կարևորեց նաև տարածաշրջանում խաղաղության և կայունության հաստատումը։



BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesday, March 22nd, 2023.

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.

The Book of Maccabees
Chapter 5 "Wars with Neighboring Peoples"
Chapter 6 "The Last Days of Antiochus Epiphanes"
Chapter 7 "Expedition of Bacchides and Alcimus"

The Book of Daniel Chapter 13 isn't found in all the bibles. It is found in the Jerusalem bible, also in the Vulgate and Catholic bibles. St. Jerome (347-420) while translating the Vulgate, treated this section as an apocryphal addition because it was not present in the Hebrew text of Daniel. In this chapter, we read that there are two bad judges who secretly wanted to have a relationship with Susanna who a beautiful and virtuous wife. One hot day, she takes a bath inside her walled garden but, she does not know that the judges are hiding inside the garden. The two judges tell her that they want to have a relationship with her, but Susanna refuses. When she refuses, they tell the people of the village that they saw Susanna having a relationship with a man who was not her husband. This is called adultery which was punishable by death. The people of the village wanted Susanna to put to death. A boy named David intervenes and does not believe the judges, so he asks one of the judges to go away and the other to tell him what he saw. Daniel does this again with the other judge and affirms that they are lying. The village people believe this man of God, Daniel and the two Judges are put to death.

The Book of Maccabees- This book and the following one gives the account of the successful resistance of the Jewish people to a foreign tyranny. Stress is laid upon the religious nature of the uprising, and the assistance given by God to the Jews. In this book the skill and courage of Judas and his forces in their victory over the Syrian is recounted. The events in the book interpret as God using the military genius of Judas Maccabeus and his brothers as the instrument to achieve the liberation of Judea.



Sunday of the Unjust Judge (LUKE 18:1-8)

In this parable we come face to face with what happens frequently in our society. Those who are in positions of power choose to favor the wealthy or people of influence to the total disregard of the poor and powerless. The judge in this parable was one of the paid magistrates appointed either by Herod or by the Romans. These judges were well known for their dishonorable practice of accepting bribes from plaintiffs in order to sell their cases. Whereas they ignored the poor and the lowly who had no influence. The parable does not liken God to the unjust judge, rather it contrasts him to such a person. Jesus says, "If an unjust judge finally will give justice to a widow who persisted her cause, how much more will God, who is a loving Father, give his children what they need?" Unwavering persistence in prayer is needed. This does not mean that God will give whatever the child asks for. We know that often we do not receive what we have asked for in prayer simply because God knows what would hurt us and what would be good for us. The message is clear: pray unceasingly. Your faith will never be shaken if you end your prayer with 'Thy will be done' since our loving Father knows what is best for us. This parable depicts attitudes of prayer. Devout Jews observed three prayer Ames daily, 9 a.m., 12 noon, and 3 p.m. Prayer was considered to be effective if it was offered in the Temple.

The Pharisee and the tax collector are portrayed at prayer in the Temple. The Pharisee praised himself and listed all his attributes, contrasting them to others who were there, pointing to the tax collector. "See, how good I am God!" was his motto. The tax collector stood far away in one corner. He couldn't even raise his eyes to heaven, beating his breast simply said, "O God, be merciful to me the sinner." Jesus concluded saying, I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled but those who humble themselves will be exalted". May God enable us to reflect these positive attitudes of prayer to our children as we walk the Lenten journey desirous of becoming more like our Lord Jesus Christ.

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St. Leon Armenian Church 2023 Lenten Service and Lecture Series

Lenten Service begins at 7:30 p.m. Lenten Lecture begins at 8:30 p.m.

Friday February 24

"Created in the Image and Likeness of God" Presented by Rev. Fr. Diran Bohajian

Friday March 3

"Meeting the Lord"
Presented by Mr. Hovanes Khosdeghian

Friday March 10

"Lent: Penance or More"
Presented by Rev. Fr. Luke Edelen

Friday March 17

"Gratitude in All Things" Presented by Rev. Fr. Stepanos Doudoukjian

Friday March 24

"Exploring the Lord's Wrath: What Truly Angers God" Presented by Deacon Alex Chalikian

Friday March 31

"Prayer: Preparing to Meet the Risen Lord" Presented by Rev. Fr. Glen Sudano

Each lecture will be approximately 30-45 minutes

Sponsored by The Sarkis Gabrellian Endowment Fund





Youghakin is made up of two Armenian words: "yough" and "kin." "Youghakin" literally means the price of oil or donation in lieu of oil. In olden days, prior to electricity, oil

lamps and lanterns illuminated homes and worship places. Parishioners donated oil to keep the church lighted. After the invention of electricity, as oil lamps were replaced with electrical lamps, the Armenian Apostolic Church continued asking members to bring symbolic contributions for the illumination of the church through the youghakin program at Christmas and Easter. The context of this practice is inner illumination rather than stewardship. When you send in your youghakin gift, you are not merely helping the church financially but are helping centuries of Armenian faith shine. Through youghakin, you are in effect refueling the traditional symbolic lantern of faith, which St. Gregory the Illuminator lighted.

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

Plants for Christ's Tomb

Parishioners who wish to maintain the beautiful tradition of our Armenian Church by contributing towards plants for Christ's Tomb, please return this form with your donation to the Church Office by Monday, April 3, 2023. Enclosed please find the amount of \$_____. **Please print:** Name _____ In Honor of _____ In Memory of _____ Telephone LILIES FOR THE **HOLY ALTAR Lilies for the Holy Altar** Parishioners who wish to contribute 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, April 3, 2023. Enclosed please find the amount of \$. **Please print:** Name _____ In Honor of _____ In Memory of ______

Telephone

Church Campus Happenings...

<u>Please Note:</u> All St Leon Campus postings must be preapproved by the church office. Approved flyers are then placed on designated bulletins, not on glass doors or windows. Sorry, no personal business promotions can be posted.

Armenian School:

All order inquiries for lahmajun, sujuk, and baghaj can be forwarded to Barbara Hovsepian by texting 551-206-6686, or by emailing bhovsepian@optonline.net

Sunday School:

Runs from 10am -12pm, PreK thru 11th grades.
Click on the following link to register students; https://bit.ly/3zLZoF6.
For further inquiries contact

Andrea Carden at 201-264-2805, or email at acarden56@gmail.com.

St. Leon's Social Club:

Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at our community center. We encourage you to bring a friend and spend an afternoon together! Donation is \$3. Hope to see you there this week!

Coffee Hospitality:

Sorry, there is no hospitality for today.

We welcome you next week, to join us after Badarak in our newly renovated Abajian Hall, for coffee and fellowship.

Parish Council, Parents, Parishioners, and Priest

VS.

ACYOA





Sunday, March 19th at 1:30pm

St. Leon Armenian Church (Gym)
12-61 Saddle River Rd,
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Tickets \$5: Pay at the door For more info: youthdirector@stleon.org



Holy Name Medical Center provides COMPLIMENTARY BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING at St. Leon

Typically, every third Wednesday of each month, from 2-3pm.

We need more participants for this service to continue.

Please consider stopping by on our next scheduled screening-



March 22nd, 2023

(Mark your calendars)

It's a walk-in service, no appointment needed. Feel free to call the church office with any questions.

Your heart will thank you!



St. Leon Armenian School

Take-Out Lenten Lunch

Sunday, March 26, 2023
Following Church Services
Pick Up Orders in Abajian Hall Vestibule

Pre-Orders Only

Call or See Barbara Hovsepian 973-839-1417

Take-Out Order Forms in the Church Narthex Fill out and give to Barbara

MUST BE PRE-ORDED BY MARCH 19

We strive to continue our Armenian traditions and culture, especially through our delicious cuisine, our heritage foods. Have your family and friends order our takeout lunch and enjoy the fantastic Lenten (vegan) menu.

Our Menu:







Imman Bayaldi

Vospov Keufta

Yalenchi

Spinach Boureg and Chocolate Cake

\$20 per lunch order

Make Checks Payable to St. Leon Armenian School Pay when you pick up.

IT'S TIME FOR THE ST. LEON WOMEN'S GUILD EASTER FUNDRAISER!



This year the Women's Guild is offering delicious Women's Guild Choreg, Hantess Loaves,

Armenian String Cheese, Cheese Boerag and Khoorabia for your Holiday Table. Everything will be frozen, packed, and ready to be picked up in front of the Rectory garage on Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023, from noon to 2 pm Please fill out the order form below.

Make your check payable to St. Leon Women's Guild, write "Easter" on the memo line, and mail to Nadya Boyadjian, 26 Holmhill Circle, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417.

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Questions? Call Nadya Boyadjian at 201-615-2441 or email her at boyadjian@optonline.net THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!

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ADDRESS	
Quantity Item	Price Total
Women's Guild Choreg	\$ 15/doz.
(12 braids per bag)	
Hantess Choreg Loaf (sweeter)	\$ 13/each
(1 large loaf individually wrapped)	
Armenian String Cheese (1 braid)	\$ 8/each
Cheese Boerag (box of 6)	\$ 18/box
Khoorabia Cookies	\$ 15/tray
(tray of 1 dozen pieces)	TOTAL DUE

St. Leon Armenian Church Women's Guild

Annual Fish 'N Chips Dinner

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 5:30 pm – 7 pm

Please Note: Last serving is at 6:45



Come and enjoy great food with great friends!

Adults: \$18.00 Children under 12: \$10.00

Make your reservations by March 21st by sending your

checks payable to:

St. Leon Women's Guild (put Fish 'N Chips in memo)

St. Leon Armenian Church Fish 'N Chips Dinner 12-61 Saddle River Road Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

If you have any questions, you can email or call: Christine Badach: clchak@aol.com

Gladys Fenarjian: gafenarj@gmail.com or 201-328-7276

TMBATA

HOSTED BY ST. VARTAN ARMENIAN CATHEDRAL IN NEW YORK

APRIL 1 / 7:00 PM

630 SECOND AVENUE, NEW YORK

ONLINE TICKETS



For information: ara@edrcorp.net 917.837.1297



EARLY ONLINE TICKETS (Before March 29)

\$45/ADULT \$25/YOUTH

(26 & under)

TICKETS AT DOOR \$55/ADULT \$35/YOUTH

(26 & under)

CASH COCKTAILS / 7:00 PM CONCERT / 8:00 PM

with GMC Parking at 300 East 34th Street between 5:00 pm and 11:59 pm

TOUR SPONSOR



FULL TOUR INFO WWW.ARMENIAVIBES.COM



ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

ACYOA DAY PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON & PROGRAM

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

Immediately following church services



Adults: \$25.00

12 Years & Younger: \$15.00

ACYOA Members: \$15.00

Sorry, no walk-ins

For Reservations scan QR Code or contact Youthdirector@stleon.org



Reservation Deadline: Sunday, March 26, 2023

ST. LEON ARMENIAN SCHOOL SPRING PLANT SALE 2023

St. Leon Armenian School is having its annual Spring Plant Sale. We are selling flowers and herbs. If ordering flats, please note there are 48 or 24 plants to a flat. Our plants are top of the line, delivered directly from the greenhouse to St. Leon on the day of pick up. We know you will be satisfied with their quality. Please order early.

Your plant orders must be submitted as soon possible, no later than April 10. Your plant order will be ready for pick up around 5:00 PM on Friday, May 12th.

Thank you for supporting St. Leon Armenian School. Order Early to avoid items which sell out quickly! Copies of this notice and order form are in the church narthex. Give it to family and friends.

Fill out the order portion, attach your check, and give the form and check to Nora Balekji, Barbara Hovsepian, Tom Ashbahian or mail it to the church office St. Leon Armenian School, 12-61 Saddle River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410. If you have received this notice by email, please print it out and give or send it as above directed.

Portulaca (48) Mixed Salvia (48) Dwarf Red	PLANTERS, BASKETS: Geraniums	PATIO PLANTERS 13" with mixed	4" PLANTS \$3.50
Salvia (48)			\$3.50
	Caroniume	13" with mixed	
	Coroniume		Vinca Vine
		flowers \$30	Spikes
Zinnia (48)	6" Peach Basket \$12	10" with mixed	Sunpatiens/New Guuinea
Tall	Red	Herbs	Impatiens
	Pink	\$18	Lobelia
	Fushia	10° C '	
	Salmon	,	
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Wave Petunias	4 " SWEET	Lavender	Purple Ruffles _
			Genova
	Tri Color	Hanging Basket	Italian
Purple	Greenleaf	10" \$20.00	Large Leaf
White	Darkleaf	Impatiens:	Chives
Red		Blue	Cilantro
Blue			Dill Fernleaf
			Lavender
			Oragano
		Violet	Parsley Plain
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Genocide Commemoration

Sun, April 23rd, 2023, at 12:30pm
(Bus Departure From St Leon to)
Times Square, NYC

(Transportation provided by Knights & Daughters of Vartan – no reservations needed)



Mon, April 24, 2023, at 12 noon Hackensack, NJ

(commemorative plaque by court house)



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UNDER THE AUSPICES OF VERY REV. FR. MESROP PARSAMYAN, PRIMATE DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA (EASTERN)

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023 7-15PM

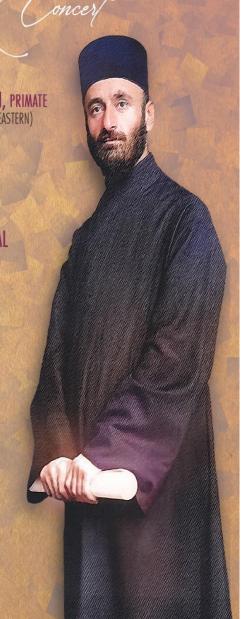
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GUEST ARTISTS HUYSER MUSIC ENSEMBLE AND ARI TERJANIAN, PIANIST

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FOR TICKETS PLEASE VISIT gomidas-choir.ticketleap.com

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Dear Parishioners & Friends:

We are thrilled to announce the ACYOA Seniors of St. Leon are hosting the 2023 ACYOA General Assembly & Sports Weekend this coming Memorial Day Weekend. For over 70 years, the young adults of our Diocese have gathered in Christian fellowship at national events to celebrate a shared faith and culture; and this year's weekend will be the continuation of a proud legacy!

With over 350 participants from across the country expected to attend, we could not be more excited to welcome all of them to our spiritual home to see what our community has to offer. Our committee has been working diligently over the past several months coordinating what will prove to be a unique and memorable weekend for all in attendance, including you!

We are writing to ask you for a donation to our Ad Booklet. We have enclosed a convenient form to help you make your donation today! Our Ad Booklet will provide a highly visible platform through which you can offer a personalized message to an individual, or the entire ACYOA community in attendance. All donations are tax-deductible and will help offset the cost of this enormous undertaking.

We are truly humbled by all the encouragement we've received thus far and look forward to partnering with you moving forward in this exciting endeavor.

Sincerely,

Fr. Diran Bohajian Pastor Aline Tashjian

Chairperson, ACYOA Seniors and GASW Committee

My Layye

The ACYOA Seniors of St. Leon Armenian Church will be hosting the ACYOA General Assembly & Sports Weekend from May 26-29, 2023. We ask you to please support us as we welcome young adults from ACYOA chapters across the nation. In your ad, you will be able to share your greetings or support your favorite team. You can also promote your business, honor a loved one, and share photos of your ACYOA days. Please email Christine Beylerian with any questions regarding the ad booklet.

\$500 (Full Page) \$250 (Half Page) \$100 (Quarter Page) \$50 (Business Card)

	\$25 (One Line Listing) Other		
Name		Phone	
Email			
Address	City	State	Zip
Message:			
1. Print your message	below and attach your photo/artwork. Hi	resolution JPEGs are strong	gly recommended.
OR			

Deadline for submission is April 21, 2023. Checks made payable to **St. Leon ACYOA Seniors** and mailed with form to Christine Beylarian, 58 Chestnut Street Unit 1, Morristown, NJ 07960.

2. Email your message and photo/artwork to: christinebeylerian@gmail.com



Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Picnic Sunday, June 4, 2023 12:30p.m. to 4:30p.m.





Bring your family, friends and appetites for great Armenian food, music and community.



CALLING ALL WALKERS!

Sponsored by The St. Leon Woman's Guild



Mondays, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

We will meet weekly and hope that you can
join us!

Where: St Leon Front Parking Lot
Bring water and your sneakers!
Enjoy fun & fellowship with your friends!

Questions? Please call Lisa Boyajian at 551-265-1105

Hope to see you!













The Playoff and Championship games were played this past Sunday and are now in the history books. Although we had six Saint Leon teams make the playoffs, only our Girls team was able to win and proceed to the Championship game. In the Championship game our Girls were able to win over the Holy Martyrs Girls Team1. Our Girls team and our Junior Boys team 2 also took the first-place division trophies for their respective divisions. The season turned out to be a tremendous success and everyone was thankful that the league was able to comeback so strong this year. We will continue to have open gym practices until right before Memorial Day weekend and then we will be out for the summer. See below the results from this past Sunday's Championship games at Van Buren H.S. Queens, NY.

Juniors: Sts Vartanantz 44 over Holy Martyrs 29
Girls: St Leons 40 over Holy Martyrs 14

Seniors: Holy Martyrs 60 over APC 37 Men: Sts Vartanantz 72 over SVC 62

English Form



Name:

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.

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Barbara Royland
44 Benson Avenue
Westwood, N.J. 07675
Email: hyemom@optomline.net
201-666-5735
Check payable to: St. Leon (Memo: Brick Campaign)

All donations are tax deductible.

Please return this form to:

Saint Leon Church Membership

How do we understand membership in the Armenian Church?

By receiving the sacrament of baptism in the Armenian Church, we are all members. However, per the bylaws of our diocese, membership is further understood as those who annually pay dues to a specific parish.

A dues-paying member is one who takes responsibility for offering their service for the spiritual and financial growth of our parish and in the advancing our Diocesan Christian mission.

"The mission of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church is to preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and to proclaim its message of salvation. This mission is realized through worship, education, witness, service, and the common life in Christ as expressed in the distinctive faith-experience of the Armenian people."

Further, dues-paying members are eligible to participate in the governance of our parish by voting at the Parish Assembly and may run for office in any of the executive bodies of the various organizations of the parish, including Parish Council.

The St. Leon Parish Assembly has designated the following amounts as the required minimum dues for St. Leon Parish Membership. Please consider becoming a dues-paying member & contribute as generously as the Lord leads you.



Individual (18+): \$175 Student (18-24): \$50 Senior (65+): \$100

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Mar 19	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy-				
		Sunday of the Judge				
	DE V	Sunday School, ACYOA Jrs. Meet with Sarah				
		Stites & Volleyball Tournament				
Fri	Mar 24	Armenian School,				
		Lenten Service & Lecture 7:30pm				
Sun	Mar 26	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy-				
		Sunday of the Advent				
		Sunday School				
		Lenten Luncheon Take Out				
Tues	Mar 28	Fish n Chips Dinner				
Fri	Mar 31	Armenian School,				
		Lenten Service & Lecture 7:30pm				
Sun	April 2	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy-				
		Palm Sunday, Luncheon & Bake Sale				
Thur	April 6	Holy Thursday, Washing of the Feet				

Last Gospel:
Matthew 11:25-30

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

Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2023
Easter – April 9, 2023
Transfiguration – July 16, 2023
Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 13, 2023
Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 17, 2023

