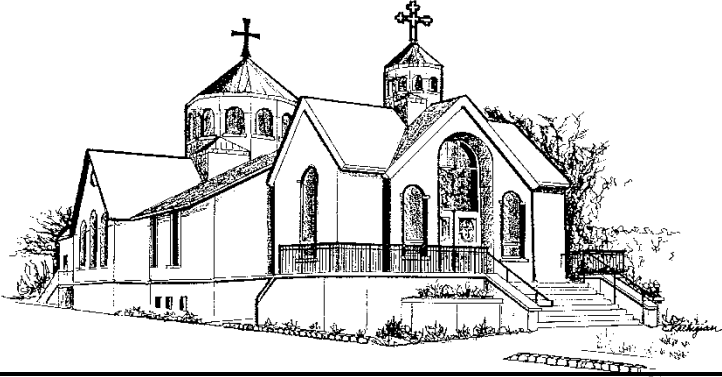


ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
PALM SUNDAY
March 28, 2021

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Zec 9:9-15

Phil 4:4-7

Gospel According to Matthew 20:29-21:17

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."

CONFESSION AND COMMUNION

In order to accommodate the large numbers taking Holy Communion today, please observe the following procedure:

***Remain seated until your row is advised by a Parish**

Council member to go forward

***Proceed to the center aisle to receive Holy Communion**

***Return to your seat from the side aisles after receiving Holy Communion**

Rev. Fr. Diran Bohajian and the Parish Council thank

William Basralian for his generous donation of Palms as we

celebrate this Holy Day and Mr. & Mrs. Tom Merjanian donating the butter for distribution.



After Rev. Fr. Diran's Homily, the service of the **Turnpatsek** Ceremony of the Opening of the Doors and the **Blessing of the Palms** will take place.

Palms – remain seated until your row is advised by a Parish

Council member to go forward and receive your Palms.

There is no Hokehankisd on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

Parishioners who made reservations, are seated first. Once we reach capacity, you will be asked to go downstairs and watch the Badarak on the screen.

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, Annette Kouchshirin, Brandon Katz, 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*.

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/1FAIpQLSdgfQZaD3iqInIHZucDY28vt95vZmstSYU7Oaj01yIb6nYhg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628>

THE WOMEN'S GUILD, ARMENIAN SCHOOL AND ACYOA JR. -SALES WILL BE OUTSIDE DER DIRAN'S GARAGE

WOMEN'S GUILD Chorag, Hantes Chorag, Cheese Borag,.....

ARMENIAN SCHOOL Baghaj...

ACYOA JRS. Today is your last day to make reservations for your **DRIVE THRU FISH AND CHIPS DINNER FOR**

Tuesday, March 30. Please see Chris Chouljian.



BIBLE STUDY

April 14, 2021

Located in Abajian Hall Lobby

TIME: 7:30 PM

The Book of Sirach

Chapter 49 "Josiah and Other Worthies"

Chapter 50 "Simon Son of Onias"

Chapter 51 "Prayer of Jesus Son of Sirach"

Does our sins affect others? In the wisdom literature of Sirach we read that the sins of the parents affect the future generations, for they learn and commit that which is seen. Looking back at Israel whose names are remembered? Those who lived according to God's laws and ordinances, they lived on by their names which were righteous. We also see within the book of Sirach how everyday wisdom is intertwined with Godly wisdom. Those who walked in the way of the Lord and found favor with him have done marvelous deeds and have been blessed and their memory will never be forgotten, as for those who do that which is pleasing for them their reward is already passed.

Last Gospel John 12:44-50



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 29, 2021 Enclosed please find the amount of \$_____.

LILIES - Please print:

Name _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Telephone _____

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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)



PLANTS FOR CHRIST'S TOMB

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 29, 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

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

TIRED OF COOKING?

DRIVE-THRU LENTEN FISH 'N' CHIPS DINNER

Featuring Tastefully British Food Truck

SPONSORED BY ST. LEON ACYOA JRS.

**Tuesday, March 30, 2021
between 5:00pm - 7:00 pm
*Drive-thru pick up outside
St. Leon Armenian Church***



\$15.00 w/ coleslaw or \$14.50 w/out coleslaw

To place an order: lynn.markarian@gmail.com

or call (201) 247-8355

Venmo payment: @stleonacyoa20-21 OR

Mail check by 3/23/21 payable to "St. Leon ACYOA Jrs." to:

**Lynn Markarian, 523 Old Post Road,
Wyckoff, NJ 07481**



ST. LEON WOMEN'S GUILD

Easter Fundraiser

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

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)

Quantity	Item	Price	Total
_____	Women's Guild Choreg Packed 12 Braids in one bag	\$13/dozen	_____
_____	Hantes Choreg (a little sweeter) (1 large braid individually wrapped)	\$12/loaf	_____
_____	Cheese Borag 6 per package	\$15/pkg	_____

HOME BLESSING SERVICE



The Armenian Church has a number of beautiful blessing services. One of those services is the Home Blessing service. Due to the ongoing pandemic restrictions, Fr. Diran is unable to visit the homes of parishioners. But on Saturday, April 10 at 11 AM Fr. Diran will conduct a virtual home blessing for all parishioners via the Zoom platform.

In order to register, go on the eLradoo link for further information, for the time to pick up home blessing kit.

You can pick up your *home blessing kit* after church on Palm Sunday, Holy Week services or on Easter Sunday. Please see a Parish Council member after church services to pick up your kit.