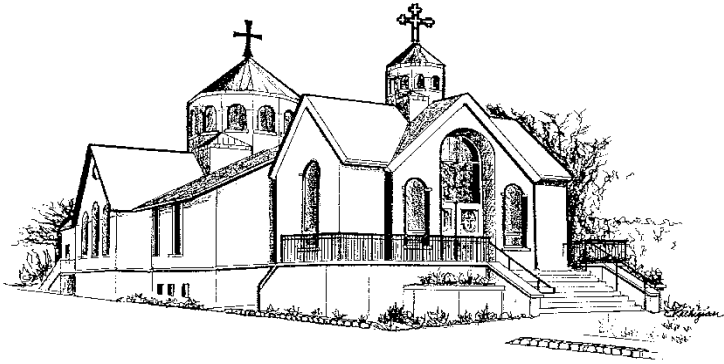


ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

**24th Anniversary of the Enthronement of
Karekin II, Catholicos of All Armenians
November 5, 2023**

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Isaiah 22:15-24

Ephesians 1:1-14

Luke 8:17-21

“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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**Our Brothers & Sisters of
Artsakh Need Our Prayers**

Please keep our motherland in your prayers



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HOKEHANKISD

✠ Jaklin, Krikor, & grandchildren Ara & Albert request Hokehankisd for the souls of **Mariam Halatchian**, *beloved mother, grandmother* and for **Garabed Halatchian**, *beloved father, grandfather* 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.

✠ Bertha Vaniskhian, Florence Zakian, Jeannette Mardirosian, & Carl Takakjian request Hokehankisd for the soul of their *beloved sister*, **Zabel Holstrom** on the occasion of the *1st anniversary* of her 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 Request Deadline:

All Hokehankisd requests must be submitted by **noon on Thursdays** so that it can be printed in that week's Sunday bulletin. Please be mindful that a standard word format is used to maintain non-preferential consistency in the allotted printing space. Be sure to **include contact information** when emailing or leaving a message with the church office with your submissions.



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 on 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.

(Kindly assist with updating the prayer list by notifying the church office of any changes).

Aleksan Aristakesian, Felicia Asomani, James Azarian, Mosses Bairamian, Hana Botie, Zoe Brooks, Frank Cornawchiulo, Jerry DiSanti, Mike Fenarjian, Julie Frattarola, Ruben Grigoryants, Varoujan Harutunian, Lusine Hovsepyan, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Annette Kouchshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Sara Malajian, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebu Oscherician, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tenguerian, Greg Tenbekjian, Clara Yeramian.

We commit our sick and shut-ins to our Heavenly Father who care and watches over all His children. "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.



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
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.

Do you know what the writing above the altar says?



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

("Seeretsek izmeemeyanis, zee Asdvadz ser e")

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 Spiritual 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.



**Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսն
ընդունեց Ղազարավանի Սուրբ
Նարեկ մենաստանի քույրերին
և հարակից գյուղերի տարբեր
դասարանների դպրոցական
աշակերտներին**

Հոկտեմբերի 30-ին Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում ընդունեց Արագածոտնի թեմի Ղազարավանի Սուրբ Նարեկ կանանց մենաստանի քույրերին և հարակից գյուղերի տարբեր դասարանների դպրոցական աշակերտներին:

Հանդիպման սկզբում քույր Ազատուհի Խաչատրյանը, հայցելով Նորին Սրբության օրհնությունը, տեղեկացրեց, որ դեռևս մեկ տարի առաջ թեմակալ առաջնորդ Գերաշնորհ Տ. Մկրտիչ Էպիսկոպոս Պռոշյանի օրհնությամբ մենաստանում մեկնարկել են հոգևոր և հումանիտար առարկաների դասընթացներ Ղազարավանի և հարակից գյուղերի դպրոցական երեխաների համար:

Հայոց Հայրապետը, իր օրհնությունը բաշխելով ներկաներին, բարձրորեն գնահատեց մենաստանի քույրերի կողմից իրականացվող հոգևոր-կրթական առաքելությունը դպրոցականներին հայեցի կրթելու և դաստիարակելու գործում: Վեհափառ Հայրապետը կարևորեց դպրոցականների հաղորդակցությունը Եկեղեցու հետ, որով լավագույն հնարավորությունն է ընձեռնվում նրանց ճանաչելու Հայ Եկեղեցին, ծանոթանալու հոգևոր կյանքին, Աստծո խոսքին ու Տիրոջ պատվիրաններին:

Նորին Սրբությունը հորդորեց աշակերտներին ուսանել ջերմեռանդորեն, ապրել Աստծո պատգամներով, բարիք

գործել, սիրել միմյանց ու հայրենիքը, որպեսզի դառնան
Եկեղեցու ու ազգի արժանավոր զավակներ:

Վերջում Հայոց Հովվապետը պատասխանեց նաև
դպրոցականների հարցերին, որոնք առնչվում էին հոգևոր
կյանքին ու եկեղեցականի առաքելությանը



**Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում սկսվեց
Գերագույն հոգևոր խորհրդի ժողովը**

Հոկտեմբերի 31-ին Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում,
նախագահությամբ Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն
Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսի, սկսվեց
Գերագույն հոգևոր խորհրդի ժողովն ընդլայնված կազմով:

Ժողովը բացվեց Տերունական աղոթքով: Այնուհետև
Գերագույն հոգևոր խորհրդի հոգևորական և աշխարհական
անդամներին իր օրհնությունն ու բարեմաղթանքները բերեց
Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը՝ հայցելով Սուրբ Հոգու
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ընթացքի համար: Քառօրյա ժողովի ընթացքում
կքննարկվեն հանրապետության առջև ծառայած
հետպատերազմյա մարտահրավերներին և Արցախից բռնի
տեղահանված հայորդիների հիմնախնդիրներին, Արցախի
հոգևոր-մշակութային ժառանգության պահպանմանը,
Եկեղեցու հոգևոր, կրթական ու սոցիալական առաքելությանն
առնչված հարցեր:





BIBLE STUDIES

Wed. Nov 8, 2023.

TIME: 7:30 PM- 9:00 PM

**Call or e-mail Fr. Diran
to receive a zoom invite
to the Bible study group.**

Synoptic Gospels

The gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke are referred to as the synoptic Gospels because they include many of the same stories of the life of Jesus, often in a similar sequence and in the same or sometimes identical wording. **Matthew** is the first of four New Testament books about Jesus. The Gospels are understood as the “Good News” of salvation in the presence of Jesus Christ who freed us from sins. It emphasizes that Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophesy. Jesus calls the 12 disciples. **Mark** is the shortest of the four Gospels which emphasizes Jesus’ miracles, from one confrontation to another, silencing demons, feeding the five thousand, calming storms, walking on water, dying, and rising to life. Luke’s Gospel is the only that reports Jesus’ birth in moving detail which much of our Christmas traditions come from. **John’s** Gospel emphasizes that Jesus, God’s Son, who was present at the Creation of the world and who has come to earth in human form to offer eternal life to everyone who has faith. John continues to explain that Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. John’s Gospel is different than the others because Jesus is understood as God which emphasizes His divinity.

For the next bible study a focus will be on the birth of John the Baptist, infancy, birth, and genealogy of Jesus.





Fr. Diran is beginning the Diocesan Scout Program on Saturday Mornings

The Program includes,

1. The Ararat Award for Cadette Girl Scouts & Senior Girl Scouts
2. The St. Gregory Award for Brownie Girl Scouts & Junior Girl Scouts
3. The Ararat Award for Boy Scouts
4. The St. Gregory Award for Cub Scouts.

Contact Der Hayr at the Church Office (201-791-2862) to schedule meeting times.



Thank you

to the Fair Lawn High School Transition Program students, who fold & deliver our bulletins every week.

Church Campus Happenings...

Kiss of Peace: “Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.”

(Christ is revealed among us.)

“Orhnyal e haydnootyoonun Krisdosi.”

(Blessed is the revelation of Christ.)

We need volunteers to perform the “Kiss of Peace” during Sunday Badarak. It’s a beautiful way to partake in our service. Please consider volunteering & call our church office if interested.

Armenian School:

School Fundraiser



All inquiries for purchasing opportunities of lahmajun, sujuk, & baghaj, may be forwarded to Nora Balekji at 973-513-2507 or nbalekji@gmail.com

Please note: Payments must be made by 11/13 to confirm your order.

Sunday School:

Runs from 10am -12pm, PreK through 11th grades.

Click on the following link to register students; <https://bit.ly/3zLZoF6>.

For further inquiries contact **Andrea Carden** at 201-264-2805,

acarden56@gmail.com.

St. Leon’s Social Club:



Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at the upper level of our **Youth 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:

Today’s hospitality is hosted by our SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join us *after* Badarak, in Abajian Hall for coffee & fellowship.

Please Note: All campus postings *must be pre-approved* by the church office.

All others will be removed. No taping on glass nor doors permitted. And *sorry*, no personal business promotions. Consider instead, inquiring about advertisement opportunities in our *Lradio*.

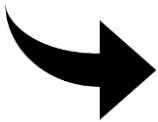


Holy Name Medical Center provides
**COMPLIMENTARY BLOOD PRESSURE
SCREENING at St. Leon**

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-



November 15, 2023
(Mark your calendars)

It's a walk-in service, no appointment needed.
Feel free to call the church office,
with any questions.
201-791-2862

Your heart will thank you!



Seniors Social Club



WHEN: Every Wednesday

WHERE: Pinajian Youth Center
Assembly Hall, 2nd floor,
(elevator accessible)

WHO: Anyone is welcome!

WHAT: Fellowship & Socialize!

Bring a friend or two to play cards,
board games, etc.

Coffee & light refreshments are
served, but bringing a bagged lunch
is recommended.

BONUS: Nurse Kathy from HNH visits every third
Wednesday of the month to monitor your BP-
it's a free service!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!





St. Leon's Men's Fellowship

Presents

"Oktoberfest"

November 17, 2023, 7pm

Abajian Hall

12-61 Saddle River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

- Traditional German Oktoberfest dinner provided by Parkwood Catering of Midland Park
- Curated craft beers, brewed and presented by Hackensack Brewery
- \$70 per person (Tables of ten are highly recommended.)
- send checks, payable to "St. Leon's Men's Fellowship" to:

**Bob and Joyce Ishkanian
441 Glendale Road
Wyckoff, NJ 07481**

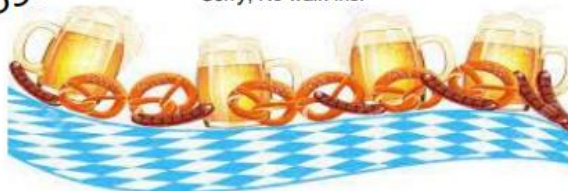
Please make sure to include your phone number on your check,
along with the names of tablemates, if any.

R.S.V.P. NOV. 12TH

THERE'S STILL TIME!

LIVE MUSIC!

Sorry, No walk-ins.



Please join us!



ACSA BASKETBALL
2023-2024 Season

DATE	GARDEN CITY MITCHEL GYM					FAIR LAWN ST LEON GYM					HACKENSACK HIGH SCHOOL			
OCT 22	2:00 St LEON1 SARK	3:15 M SVC VART	4:30 Jr SARK VART			1:30 G LEON VART	2:45 Sr LEON VART	4:00 St LEON2 HOV2						
OCT 29	1:30 St HM2 HM3	2:30 St HM1 SARK	3:30 Jr HM SARK	4:45 Sr HM VART		2:00 St HOV1 LEON1	3:00 M LEON2 VART	4:15 M SVC LEON3			2:00 G HM1 LEON	3:15 G HM2 VART	4:30 Jr LEON VART	
NOV 5	2:00 St HM3 SARK	3:00 G HM1 HM2	4:15 Sr HM LEON			2:00 St HM1 LEON2	3:00 St HM1 LEON1	4:00 St HOV1 HOV2			2:00 Jr HM LEON	3:15 M HC VART	4:30 M LEON1 LEON2	
NOV 12	1:30 Jr LEON SARK	2:45 G HM1 VART	4:00 Jr HM VART	5:15 St HM2 SARK		1:00 M LEON2 LEON3	2:15 M HC LEON1	3:30 St HM3 LEON2	4:30 G HM2 LEON					
NOV 19						2:00 M HC LEON2	3:15 St HOV1 LEON2	4:15 St HOV2 LEON1			2:00 M VART LEON3	3:15 M SVC LEON1		
DEC 3	1:30 G HM1 HM2	2:45 St HM2 HOV2	3:45 St HM1 HM3	4:45 Jr HM SARK		1:30 St HOV1 SARK	2:30 St LEON1 LEON2	3:30 M LEON1 LEON3			1:30 Jr LEON VART	2:45 G LEON VART	4:00 Sr LEON VART	5:15 M HC SVC
DEC 10	1:30 G HM1 LEON	2:45 Jr HM LEON	4:00 St HM3 HOV1	5:00 St HM1 HM2		2:00 St HOV2 SARK	3:00 Jr VART SARK	4:15 G VART HM2			1:30 M LEON1 VART	2:45 Sr HM VART	4:00 M HC LEON3	5:15 M SVC LEON2
DEC 17	1:30 St HOV2 HM3	2:30 G HM1 VART	3:45 Jr HM VART	5:00 M HC SVC		1:00 M LEON1 LEON3	2:15 St HM2 LEON2	3:15 St HM2 LEON1	4:15 St HM1 HOV1		1:30 G HM2 LEON	2:45 Jr SARK LEON	4:00 Sr HM LEON	5:15 M LEON2 VART

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Note to all players and coaches: Please arrive at least 30 minutes before game time.

Scores, standings and information at www.acsasports.org

www.facebook.com/acsabasketball

www.instagram.com/acsa_basketball

**Come Support
our Teams!**



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!



Lradoo & eLradoo

Parish Survey

We have launched a survey regarding preferences on the Lradoo and e-Lradoo. If you've already taken a few minutes to complete the survey, we thank you for your thoughts and participation.

We currently keep members of our community informed via our weekly eNewsletter as well as our bi-monthly print newsletter.

In an effort to streamline the dissemination of information, we are asking you for your opinion to let us know which one you'd prefer to receive moving forward. You may go to www.stleonsurvey.com to complete the form or if you prefer, contact Serda Belekdanian at 201-446-8006 or email her at serdab123@gmail.com with your preferences.

This is merely a survey and will help us better plan for any future decisions regarding our publications.

We thank you for your input.





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 @ \$135.00

Maximum of two lines, 13 letters per line

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

_____ 8" x 8" Brick @ \$250.00

Maximum of four lines, 13 letters per line

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

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please return this form to:

Barbara Royland

44 Benson Avenue

Westwood, N.J. 07675

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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 the 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

*Applications will be supplied upon request.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Nov 5	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School 
Wed	Nov 8	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	Nov 10	Armenian School
Sun	Nov 12	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School
Tue	Nov 14	WG Election Meeting 6:30pm YC Assembly Hall, 2 nd fl- elevator accessible
Wed	Nov 15	Senior Social Club 11-3pm  HNH Nurse Visit 2-3pm
Fri	Nov 17	Armenian School Men's Fellowship's OKTOBERFEST 
Sun	Nov 19	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School
Wed	Nov 22	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Thu	Nov 23	Happy Thanksgiving Church Campus Closed 
Fri	Nov 24	NO Armenian School 
Sat	Nov 25	ACYOA SRS Volleyball & Tavloo 1pm 
Sun	Nov 26	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy NO Sunday School
Wed	Nov 29	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	Dec 1	Armenian School

Last Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

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

Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2024

Easter –March 31, 2024

Transfiguration – July 16, 2023

Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 18, 2024

Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 17, 2023

