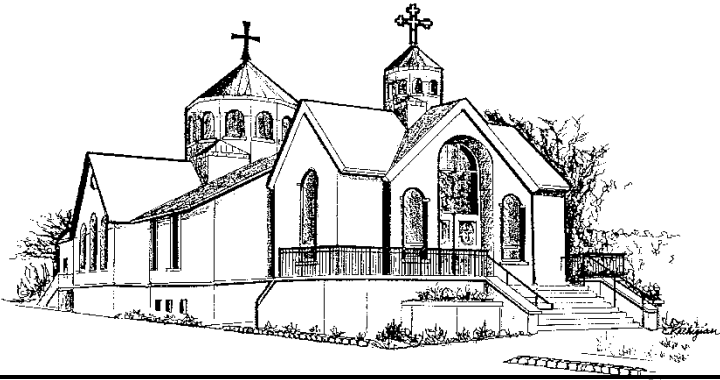


**ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH**  
*Barekendan of the Fast of the Holy Cross of Varak*  
*September 19, 2021*

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



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**Readings from the Holy Scripture**

Is 14:3-17

2 Cor 10:18-11:10

Gospel According to Mark 10:1-12

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

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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 haydnootyoonun Krisdosi."*

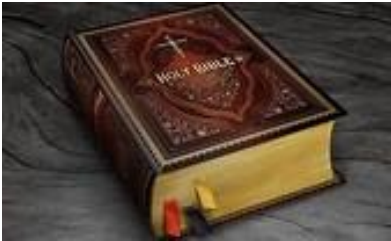
*"Christ is revealed among us." - "Blessed is the revelation of Christ."*

We welcome His Grace Bishop Daniel, Primate of the Eastern Diocese to Celebrate Divine Liturgy, Ordain Dr. Gregory Kazanjian to the Diaconate. Ordain the following to the rank of Tibirs: Arine Artakis, Arden Ayazian, Aram Bohajian, Ardem Boudoughian, Aram Chamesian, Daniel Cilingirian, Vicken Ezik, Paul Kasaryan, Cole Kazanjian, Aram Nishanian, Levon Nishanian, Anthony Nulman, Patrique Sarkisian, Lucas Toparlak, Gregory Yaghdjian, Jack Yaghdjian, Consecrate the ICON of St. Leon, Bless the Choir Dressing Room. Diocesan Ararat Boy Scout Award: Aram Bohajian, Cole Kazanjian, Levon Nishanian, Aram Nishanian

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of Sona Manuelian, 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*.



### **BIBLE STUDY**

**TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

Zoom Bible Study Wednesday,

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 26 “Judah’s Song of Victory”

Chapter 27 “Israel’s Redemption”

Chapter 28 “Judgement on Corrupt Rulers, Priests and Prophets”

At our last bible study gathering we focused on Isaiah’s prophesy in directing the Israelite’s to turn away from idolatry and corruption and begin the journey back to God. God’s judgement focuses on the fall of Jerusalem and the importance of repentance, in order to re-establish their covenant with God. We can also re-examine our life and see how we can strengthen our relationship with God.

# VOCATIONS

FULFILLING THE PROMISE  
OF ST. NERSESS 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 60<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:lynnbeylerian@gmail.com) or go to [www.stnersess.edu](http://www.stnersess.edu).

**ST. LEON SOCIAL CLUB** Seniors have much to offer, our wisdom, our experience and our time. St. Leon Social Club meets every Wednesday from 11:00-4:00 PM. Donation is \$3.00. We are serving only coffee. Example: play cards, backgammon, bring a board game or just sit around and have a cup of coffee. Bring a friend and enjoy the afternoon. We are meeting in the Community Center.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** We are excited to begin Sunday School in the fall! Registration will be online, where you can put your information and even pay. If you have registered with us before you will get an email with the link. If you are interested in signing up for Sunday School and haven't before, please send your name and email to [acarden56@gmail.co](mailto:acarden56@gmail.co) and you will receive the link sometime in August. We hope to see you!



## **Diaconate**

Dr. Gregory Kazanjian

## **Tbirs:**

Arine Artakis  
Arden Ayazian  
Aram Bohajian  
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Consecrate the ICON of St. Leon

Blessing the Choir Dressing Room

***EXCITING NEWS!!!!***

**St. Leon Armenian Church's  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Drive-Thru Food**

**Festival is coming!**



Again, this year, for the health and safety of the community and our volunteers, all food items will be *pre-ordered and pre-paid online. Orders will be picked up at our drive-thru site on the grounds of St. Leon.*

The dates of the drive-thru pick up are Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm-7:30pm. All food items are to be picked up and enjoyed at home. There will be new menu items that we are excited for you to enjoy.

There will not be any seating available on the St. Leon grounds.

*All orders must be placed & paid for by October 5<sup>th</sup> at midnight. We cannot accept any orders or payments after the deadline or on the pickup days.*

*To order online, please visit the link below:*

<https://st-leon-armenian-church.square.site/>



[Or scan the QR Code with your mobile device to go directly to the site!](#)

All the information you need is on the site along with the menu, ordering, payment & pick up instructions. There's even a link to get help!

**Please also consider becoming a Food Festival sponsor to help offset our expenses and raise some extra money for our parish during these uncertain times.**

Festival Host	\$5,000.00	Paklava/Khadayif	\$200.00
Event Host	\$2,500.00	Eech/Hommus	\$150.00
Luleh Kebob	\$1,000.00	Pilaf	\$100.00
Chicken Kebob	\$500.00	Monti	\$50.00
Cheese Boreg	\$250.00	Other	any amount

We hope and pray that next year, we can once again have our traditional Food Festival and you will be able to sit down and enjoy our delicious foods and some KEF inside our Community Center.

Thank you for supporting St. Leon!!

The Food Festival Committee



**24<sup>th</sup> Annual Saint Leon Armenian Church Golf Open  
Monday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Ramsey Golf & Country Club  
105 Lakeside Drive, Ramsey, NJ 07438  
(201) 327-0009**

*10am Registration, Driving Range, Practice facility*

*10:30 – Noon BBQ Lunch*

*Noon Shotgun start – Format: Four-person scramble with mens  
and ladies tees.*

*5pm Cocktails and BBQ, Awards and Prizes, Open bar!*

*6pm Buffet Dinner*

**Registration - \$200 per player. Please register early. (\$190 if  
postmarked by July 30, 2021). Dinner only \$50 per person.**

- By check: payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note “golf” in the memo area.
- Mail to: Rich Berenson, 831 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481 (917) 854-2357. Registration deadline October 1st, 2021.
- Total amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_.

**Player Information – we will match you up if you don't have a foursome.**

Player

1 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Player

2 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Player

3 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Player

4 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship level \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in donating a raffle prize

(Please contact Rich Berenson)

*Special requests (food allergies, etc.)*

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## **Saint Leon Armenian Church Community,**

We are pleased to be holding the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Open again this year. After 2020 we will all appreciate a fun day together on the golf course and afterwards over cocktails and dinner.

We originally published a save the date for an earlier date, however, due to a scheduling conflict the event will be held at Ramsey Golf & Country Club on October 18<sup>th</sup>. October is beautiful month for golf with cool temperatures and fall foliage!



Please join Father Diran for a day on the links. Or, feel free to join for cocktails and dinner that evening if you are not a golfer. Kindly spread the word and extend the number of people you bring to the event. We are encouraging early registration with a price break for those that secure their payment by July 30th and help us to plan better for the event.

Once again, we will be offering sponsorships for the event. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please let us know. There are a range of sponsorship opportunities outlined on the following page.

Please reach out if you have any questions or have something you would like to discuss.

All the best,

St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Open Committee

Rich Berenson (917) 854-2357

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