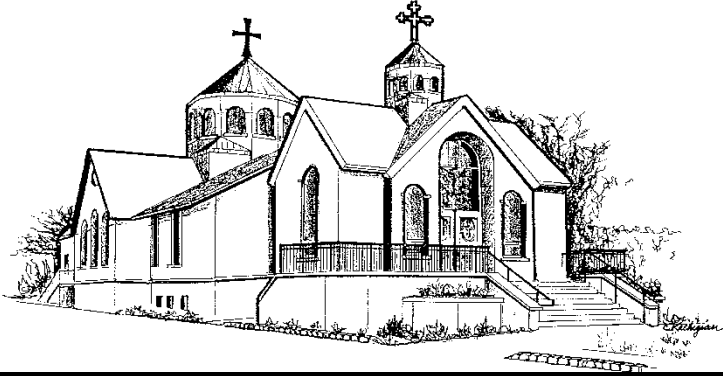


**ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH**  
*First Sunday after the Octave of Theophany*  
January 17, 2021

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



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***Readings from the Holy Scripture***

Is 54:1-13

1 Tm 1:1-11

Gospel According to John 2:1-11

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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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.”*

**St. Leon Armenian Church is open on Sunday’s at 10:00 AM  
Please call the office to reserve your seat. Only 70 people are  
allowed at one time.**



Deacon Levon Asdourian will be giving the Homily today

## HOKEHANKISD

† Tonoyan Family requests Hokehankisd for the soul of **Ruben Tonoyan**, loving son, brother and grandson on the 1<sup>st</sup> year of his passing into eternal life. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

† Libby Avakian, Anthony & Linda Vinci,  
Robert & Carol Sarajian, Steven and Sonia Avakian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Stepan Avakian**, loving husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather to Christina Mugnano, John Kross, Anthony Vinci, Steven Avakian and Sabrina Avakian, great- grandfather to Madison Vinci, Cole and Cooper Kross of his passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in his memory.

✝ Anthony & Linda Vinci request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Nunzio Vinci**, loving father, father-in-law, grandfather to Christina Mugnano, Anthony Vinci and great-grandfather to Madison Vinci on the 10<sup>th</sup> 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 Avakian, Vinci, Sarajian Families request Hokehankisd for the souls of **Albert Avakian and Michael Avakian** loving brothers and uncle of their passing into eternal rest in the month of January. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

✝ Viktorya Hurdaci Sariminasyan request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Sarkis & Adrine Hurdaci** loving parents, **Mihran & Viktorya Hurdaci**, loving grandparents **Ohannes & Hayguhi Der Stepanyan** dear grandparents, **Der Stepan & Yeretsgin Husik Migiryan** loving great-grandparents of their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

✝ Sal & Anita Napolitano request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Peter J. and Julia Enokian**, loving parents on the 16<sup>th</sup> and the 9th month of their passing into eternal rest. The Family has donated toward the Altar Flowers and request the Altar Candles be lit in their memory.

✝ Rev. Fr. Diran & Yn Kismet Bohajian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **John Bohajian** loving father and grandfather on the 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

**January 31, 2021 A visit from our Primate Bishop Daniel has been cancelled.**

### **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. Amen.

**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 DiSan, 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/1FAIpQLSdggfQZaD3jqInHzucDY28vt95vZmstSYU7Oaj01yIb6nYhg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628>

**BIBLE STUDY** January 20, 2021 Located in Abajian Hall Lobby

### **The Book of Sirach**

Chapter 21 “Various Sins”

Chapter 22 “The Idler”

Chapter 23 “A Prayer for Help against Sinning”

"Wisdom teaches man to trust and walk with the Lord for only with Him man lives. God has blessed finite man with authority over everything on the earth; He has made for them a tongue and eyes, He gave them ears and a mind for thinking. It is better to have the fear of the Lord than to have prudence and transgress the law. God calls to us and guides us through wisdom to turn to the Lord and forsake all sins, for great is the mercy of the Lord and His forgiveness for those who turn to Him."

Last Gospel John 12:24-26

**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.

# **DRIVE UP SNACK FOOD DRIVE**

Sponsored by  
St. Leon Women's Guild



## **Sunday, January 17, 2021**

**Drive up to Abajian Hall**

**Items to donate: Individual cookie packs, small bags of pretzels or chips, water bottles and juice boxes**

### **12:30 PM – 2:30 PM**

Your generous donation will benefit  
The Tree House Cultural Center  
Newark, NJ

Questions? – Lisa Boyajian  
[levonandlisab@verizon.net](mailto:levonandlisab@verizon.net)

The Tree House Cultural Arts Center feeds the homeless population of Newark, NJ. Led by a husband & wife team they prepare lunch bags and distribute throughout the city of Newark



# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Commemorative Brick Purchase:

#### English Letters

\_\_\_\_\_ 4" x 8" Brick @ \$100.00

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

Email: [hyemom@optonline.net](mailto:hyemom@optonline.net)

201-666-5735

Check payable to: St. Leon (Memo: Brick Campaign)

*All donations are tax deductible.*