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Schedule of Sunday Services

Morning Service (*Keesheryeen & Aravodyan Jham*)

9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy (*Soorp Badarak*)

10:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 8, 2011

Sunday of the World Church - Green Sunday
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Mother's Day

Scripture Readings

Acts 9:23-31 (Pg. 116) I Peter 2:1-10 (Pg. 209)

Visiting Priest

Rev. Fr. Dajad Davidian

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to John (2:23-3:12)

Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs which he did; but Jesus did not trust himself to them, because he knew all men and needed no one to bear witness of man; for he himself knew what was in man.

Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicode'mus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him."

Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicode'mus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." Nicode'mus said to him, "How can this be?"

Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"

Glory to You, O Lord our God!

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Welcome Cards and Sunday Fellowship

Informational cards are found in the pew racks. Visitors, please complete a card and join us for our after services coffee fellowship in the Egavian Hall. Your presence is greatly valued. Please become be a regular worshipper.

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Response when Kissing the Cross (during the procession):

The **faithful** says:

Յիշեցիր էլ զիս առաջի անմահ գառիկն Աստուծոյ:
Hee-shes-cheer yev zeez a-rra-chee an-mah ka-rinn As-doo-dzo.
(Remember me before the immortal Lamb of God.)

The **priest** says:

Յիշեալ լիջիր առաջի անմահ գառիկն Աստուծոյ:
Hee-shyal lee-cheer a-rra-chee an-mah ka-rinn As-doo-dzo.
(You shall be remembered before the immortal Lamb of God.)

Response for the Kiss of Peace:

The **giver** says:

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ:
Krees-dos ee mech mer hayd-ne-tsav.
(Christ is revealed in our midst.)

The **receiver** says:

Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:
Orh-nyal eh hayd-noo-tyoo-nun Krees-do-see.
(Blessed is the revelation of Christ.)

Response when Kissing the Gospel (after the Divine Liturgy):

The **faithful** says:

Յիշեցէ Տէր զամենայն պատարագս քո:
Hee-shes-tseh Der za-me-nayn ba-da-ra-kus ko.
(May the Lord remember all your sacrifices.)

The **priest** says:

Տացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում:
Da-tseh kez Der usd sur-dee koom.
(May the Lord grant to you according to your heart.)

Participating in the Divine Liturgy: Please follow the prayers and hymns of the Divine Liturgy in the books provided in the pews. The front section contains the Armenian Krapar text and modern Armenian translation, while the latter part gives the English transliteration.

tion and translation. Page numbers are illuminated at the upper left and right sides of the main altar. Please sing along with any of the hymns which the choir is singing.

Confession and Holy Communion: Those who are prepared to receive Holy Communion may kneel in the center aisle or remain standing at their pew for the group recitation of the confession (p. 48-49). After the absolution please proceed via the central aisle towards the altar in an orderly manner. Two Parish Council members will be present to assist. Please return to your pew via the side aisles.

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Prayer of the Week

O Holy Spirit, the fountain of life and the source of mercy, have mercy upon me as I bow down in worship. Keep me whole and let this bodily posture echo in my very soul so that I might be part of the good things in the life to come. Amen

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Thank You

The Jebejian and Megrdochian Families would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to all those in the Sts. Sahag & Mesrob parish family for their prayers, and expressions of love and support during Fr. Nersess Jebejian's recent illness while celebrating Divine Liturgy.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

The *Altar Flowers* are given today in loving memory of Mitchell Kezirian by the Kezirian Family.

A donation for *Altar Candles* has been given in loving memory of Shooshan (Coloian) Boyajian by her Children - Anahid, Margaret, Avedis and Mariam.

A donation for *Altar Candles* has been given today in loving memory of Mary Kazarian by Robert & Ronna Kazarian, Jonathan and Alex.

A donation of pizza has been given for today's *Coffee Fellowship* in loving memory of Louise Jeranian by Joyce & Charles Dermenjian (Belmont, MA).

The *Annual Mother's Day Cake Sale* will be held today after church. Sponsored by the Women's Guild.

MAY 10

Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Language School -- Classes meet Tuesdays, 6 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Conversation, reading, writing, history, literature. Tuition \$100: first child, \$90: additional child. More information, Dn. Hagop Ghajanian (401-467-2582 or h.ghajanian@osjl.com). Last day of school May 24.

MAY 14

Arts Education Program begins at 10 a.m. For more information and application form: <http://www.stsahmes.org/NewWebsite/culturalcommittee.shtml>

MAY 15

The *Sunday School* invites you to join us on May 15, 2011 for graduation services with closing exercises in the Sanctuary, and reception in Egavian Cultural Center. Contact Deborah Onanian, Superintendent, for information - (401) 615-5583 or donanian@cox.net.

MAY 18

The *Armenian Chorale of RI* will have rehearsals at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings, beginning on May 18.

MAY 20

Family Night sponsored by the ACYOA's Friday, May 20, 6 p.m. Bring the whole family for some fun, food and fellowship. Bingo, Tavloo tournament, and Ron "the Balloon Man" at 6 p.m. Menu: Losh Kebab Dinner, \$10.00, kids 10 and under eat free (choice of pasta or chicken tenders and fries). Reservations preferred: (401) 419-4392 or (401) 272-7712. Sign up for Tavloo tournament with Peter Megrdichian (401) 943-7438. Bingo and Tavloo prizes !!

MAY 22

Armenian School Closing Program on Sunday, May 22 following the Divine Liturgy in the Egavian cultural Center. Program presented by the Armenian School Students. Light Brunch following the program sponsored by the Armenian School Committee. Admission, free. Donations will be appreciated. For more information contact Deacon Hagop Ghajanian (h.ghajanian@osjl.com, 401-467-2582).

MAY 23

The Women's Guild will have a presentation on Monday, May 23 at 7 p.m. by Leslie Reichert, "*The Cleaning Coach*," nationally recognized green homekeeping expert dedicated to educating people on keeping their homes, schools and work areas "green." Leslie has appeared on Green House Project, ABC News and FOX and is the author of the book "*The Joy of Green Cleaning*" which is available at Whole Foods, Amazon.com and will be available the night of the presentation. Coffee and Armenian Pastries will be served. Donation \$7.

MAY 28

Cultural Committee of Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Church presents a Concert - Nune Badalyan, soprano, soloist of Yerevan National Opera House, also featuring Tim Aznavourian, classical guitar, and Lusine Ustyan, piano (premier performance in RI). Egavian Cultural Center, 70 Jefferson St., Providence, RI. Details to follow.

JUNE 4

The Cultural Committee cordially invites the RI Community to attend the *17th Annual Children's Talent Show, "Reflections of Armenian Youth"* on Saturday evening, June 4, 2011, 7:00 p.m. promptly in the Egavian Cultural Center. Let us encourage our talented young people with a large attendance! Any youngsters wishing to participate in the Talent Show are urged to contact Maestro Konstantin Petrossian at 861-3573. This Talent Show is open to the youth of the entire RI Armenian Community. Donation: \$5.00 at the door. Children under 16 no charge.

SEPTEMBER 10

Save the date! "*Salute To Armenia*" presented by Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church, Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Apostolic Church, and Armenian Euphrates Evangelical Church on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Program dedicated to the 20th Anniversary of Armenia's Independence with over 100 performers of Armenian song (Armenian Chorales of RI and Greater Worcester, Symphony Orchestra, and Soloists). Event will take place at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul, Providence, RI. Free admission.

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CELL PHONES: We ask that all cell phones be powered down. Please respect our holy sanctuary & fellow worshippers.

NOTICES

100th Anniversary Stained Glass Window Project: The Church has put together a committee to document the history of the stained glass windows in our church. The committee is looking for any information parishioners may have on any of the windows. This information can be in the form of actual documents or word of mouth. Many of our families donated the windows to the church in the middle of the last century and we are looking for any relatives that have any information on them or parishioners that have any recollection of that time. The committee is also looking for anyone that can translate Armenian script to English. Any and all volunteers are welcome. Please contact Martha Jamgochian at jmartha9@gmail.com

The Ararat Center is looking for a parishioner in Providence to become its liaison to promote activities at the Ararat Center in Greenville, NY. As liaisons, the Board looks to you to extol the many benefits of the Center and to promote its use during operating season, which runs from the beginning of May through the end of October. The Ararat Center is most known for holding Saint Vartan Camp, family reunions, Church events from various parishes and its' Annual Festival every summer. For more information, call Steve Megrdichian @ 401-419 4392 or Andrea Karanian @ 860-673-9325 or check out the Centers' website at www.araratcenter.org

SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS, 2011 - Information is now available in the church office for the 2011 Diocesan Summer Camp Programs - St. Vartan Camp (June 26 - August 6). Registration begins Feb. 15 at www.armenianchurch-ed.net. Hye Camp (Ingleside, IL) (July 30-August 6) (Download applications at www.armenianchurch-ed.net). Flyer will be posted on the bulletin board under the church, and applications / flyers are available for your use in the hallway near the church office.

E-mail Addresses: In order to help us communicate with the members of the community in a more efficient and timely manner, we kindly request that you submit your e-mail addresses to the church office at your convenience or e-mail us at [<office@stsahmes.org>](mailto:office@stsahmes.org)

Sunday School 2010/2011 - All children ages 4 & above are welcome to join our Sunday School family. Classes run 10 a.m. until noon every Sunday. Any questions, contact superintendent, Deborah Onanian, at 401-615-5583 or e-mail at [<donanian@cox.net>](mailto:donanian@cox.net).

PARISH MEMBER DUES - Following the decision of the Feb. 28, 2010 Parish Assembly, membership dues are \$175 (\$125 for seniors & full-time students). Those unable to give full dues may confidentially approach the Parish Council Chairperson, Armen Janigian, to explain their situation. Parishioners are kindly asked to contribute beyond dues as part of the *"Stewardship Program."* Existing members' dues must be received by Dec. 31, 2011; (new members' must have been received by June 30) to vote at Parish Assembly in February 2012. Forms available in church office.

POOR BOX – Did you know we have poor boxes for donations to help the needy? They are at entrances to the Sanctuary. Contributions appreciated.

GOLD BOX - Parishioners may write prayer requests. Please insert these into the "gold box" to the front left of the chancel. Prayer requests are offered during the Divine Liturgy.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR REMINDER- Remember your non-perishable food donations for Mary House food pantry. For info., contact Joyce Avedisian (724-3978) or Bertha Mugurdichian (351-9276).

CHURCH LIBRARY - Volunteers are needed to assist parishioners for book selections during library hours Sundays from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. & by appointment by calling the office at 272-7712 or Hosanna at 942-3103.

CHILDREN'S & JUNIOR CHOIRS and **NAZELI DANCE GROUP**
Your children & grandchildren are invited to learn to read music, religious hymns, popular Armenian songs & dances. Open for ages 6 thru 16. Rehearsals at the Egavian Cultural Center. Please call the church office (272-7712) or Maestro Petrossian (861-3573) to sign up.

SENIOR CITIZENS - Come join us every Monday (weather permitting, excluding holidays). Have fun with your friends and neighbors.

COFFEE HOUR - Please consider sponsoring a **Coffee Fellowship** on the occasion of a Hokehankist (in memory of a loved one), birthday, anniversary, etc. or to provide a wonderful service for our church. Contact church office to arrange a date.

ARMENIAN RADIO HOUR - Sundays 9-10 a.m. WARL 1320 AM

ARDZAGANG - Armenian Television Program-Statewide Cable Interconnect Channel 13 (A):broadcast Thursdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

- Today* Annual Mother's Day Cake Sale after church.
9 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Cultural Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
10 Armenian Language School 6 p.m.
13 Nazeli Dance Group, 6 p.m., Jr. Choir 7:30 p.m.
14 Arts Education, 10 a.m.
14-15 ACYOA Lock -In
15 Sunday School Closing Program & Reception & Brunch
16 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
17 Armenian Language School 6 p.m.
18 Armenian Chorale of RI, 7 p.m.
20 Family Night sponsored by ACYOA's
Nazeli Dance Group, 6 p.m., Jr. Choir 7:30 p.m.
22 Armenian School Closing Program
23 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Women's Guild Presentation* - "*The Cleaning Coach*" - 7 p.m.
24 Armenian Language School 6 p.m. (Last Day)
25 Armenian Chorale of RI 7 p.m.
27 Nazeli Dance Group, 6 p.m., Jr. Choir 7:30 p.m.
28 Cultural Committee Concert
30 Memorial Day Holiday, Office Closed

JUNE

- 4 Cultural Committee Annual Talent Show, 7 p.m.
24 Family Night sponsored by Women's Guild