

TODAY'S REQUIEMS (Hokehankist):
Requiem Prayer

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 and maid-servants:

- **21 COPTIC MARTYRS** and all Christians who have lost their lives in the Middle East.
- **RUBIK BALASANYAN** (40 Day Memorial - Karasoonk) - requested by Mr. & Mrs. Hagop & Manik Yagoobian and Family.
- **PAUL KAZARIAN** (Three Year Memorial) - Requested in honor of our Ambassador Emeritus (In Memoriam) by the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Eternal Foundation, Washington, DC.
- **GEORGE MALIAN** - (15 Year Memorial) - requested by Mr. & Mrs. George & Christine Malian and Family, Michael Malian, John R. Kazarian and Richard Kazarian.
- **MARION MALIAN** (Torigian) - (7 Year Memorial) - requested by Mr. & Mrs. George & Christine Malian and Family, Michael Malian, John R. Kazarian and Richard Kazarian.
- **HURANT SHAMSHOIAN; JAMES SHAMSHOIAN** - requested by the Shamshoian Family.
- **MICHAEL AYRASSIAN** (12 Year Memorial) - requested by his son, Kenneth Ayrassian.
- **SHAPSHAPIAN and ARSLANIAN FAMILY** Deceased Members - requested by Shake Arslanian and Family.

...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 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.

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Sunday School Lenten Drive

This year's Lenten Drive will benefit two (2) charities: FAR's Helping Children Out of Poverty Project and United to End Genocide. On March 15th, a second plate will be passed for contributions and on March 22nd a bake sale will be held. Last year we raised approximately \$1200. This year our goal is \$1500. Please note that all of the Eastern Diocese Sunday Schools participate in this effort. The monies are pooled together by the Diocese, divided in half and then contributed on behalf of our collaborative efforts.

Helping Children Out of Poverty Project:

The overall mission of FAR's outreach to children in Armenia is to provide them and their families with tangible support programs that would empower them to meet critical challenges, stay intact, and thrive. Child poverty (single-parent households, unemployed parents, children with disabilities) is an acute problem in Armenia, especially in the Ararat region. According to official government data, 26% of Armenia's population is considered poor. Unfortunately, the real numbers may be much higher than the official data. In addition, the geographic coverage of services offered to children is not spread evenly throughout the country. This new project will assist 150-200 families. The Sunday School drive will support direct humanitarian needs: food and clothing.

United to End Genocide:

Beginning in 1915, ethnic Armenians living in the Ottoman Empire were rounded up, deported and executed on orders of the government. Including the Armenian Genocide, tens of millions of men, women and children have lost their lives in genocide or mass atrocities in the past 150 years. Millions have been brutalized and forced from their homes. Building on the proud legacy of the Save Darfur Coalition, Genocide Intervention Network, STAND and the Sudan Divestment Task Force, United to End Genocide, an American organization, is dedicated to preventing and ending genocide and mass atrocities worldwide by building a powerful, lasting movement of community activists, faith leaders, students, artists, investors and genocide survivors.

