

100th Anniversary Commemorative Highlights

Wednesday, April 8, 6-7:30 p.m. p.m.

The Smith Hill Library, 31 Candace St., Providence, will have a co-sponsored event for Armenian Heritage and Genocide Remembrance Month, with a presentation by Anna-Marie Danayan.

Sunday, April 12th at 3pm

A Tribute to Survival – at the Park Theatre in Cranston. This powerful concert is in tribute to our martyrs and survivors of the 1915 Armenian Genocide featuring the Armenian Chorale of RI, guest artists with the full complement of orchestra & the Sayat Nova Dance Company of Boston. The MC will be Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian. Parking is available in back of Cranston City Hall – across the street from the theatre. Valet service will be available. Bring family & friends. Admission is free.

Monday, April 13, 2015: 4:00-5:00 pm

An Introduction to the Armenian Alphabet and Language for Kids, by Nvard Danayan, who is the Principal of the Holy Translators Armenian School at Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church.

Monday, April 20, 7:00 p.m.

Opening Night at the Columbus Theatre, Providence, 7 p.m. SENE Film Festival. Documentary Films \$10 Admission. “*Smyrna, 1922*,” “*40 Days of Musa Dagh*,” and “*Memories of Marash*.”

Wednesday, April 22, 1 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Centennial Concert at RI College Sapinsley Hall, tickets at the door (\$10 donation)

Thursday, April 23rd at 7am

The Canonization of the Martyrs of 1915 Genocide – view this significant and momentous occasion in Egavian Center on the wide-screen.

Friday, April 24th

- 8:30am - *Youth Day* – in Egavian Center - is scheduled from 8:30am – 11:45am. The focus is on genocide, remembering and service programs for Armenia.

- 12 noon – at the *Martyrs’ Monument* in North Burial Grounds, Providence. Rev. Fr. Kapriel Nazarian, Assistant Pastor of Sts. Vartanantz, will be the Celebrant and our pastor, Rev. Fr. Shnork Souin, the Preacher. Invited inter-denominational clergy & friends will be present. Please take the time to attend this historic event with family & friends.

- *Anniversary Memorial Dinner* – Community- wide memorial dinner. 6pm cocktails, 7pm dinner MC is Scott Avedisian. Keynote speaker is Marian Mesrobian MacCurdy, author of Sacred Justice: The Voices and Legacy of the Armenian Operation Nemesis. Cost: \$50/person. Teacher of the Year Award will be presented, co-sponsored by AMMC and ANC. Omni Hotel, Providence

Sunday, April 26th

Badarak and Armenian Genocide Recognition - All churches will be closed on Sunday, April 26, 2015 to encourage attendance at this event in New York City. Badarak at St Vartan Cathedral at 11am. At the end of Badarak, there will be a procession to the commemorative event at Times Square which begins at 2pm. Bus transportation will be available for those not able to walk.

Saturday, May 2nd at 7pm

Legacy of Our Martyrs – our church hall – 7 p.m. dedicated to the canonization of the Holy Martyrs of the Genocide.

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 maidservants:

- **ASHOT UZUNYAN** (2 Year Memorial) - requested by Arman Uzunyan

- **EUGENIA PJOJIAN** (3 Year Memorial) - requested by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pjojian; Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Pjojian; Mr. & Mrs. Harry Yessaian; Mr. & Mrs. James Stevenson; Ms. Carol Dupre, and Mr. John Takian.

- **STEPANIAN FAMILY** Deceased Members - **TEVOS, ANAHIT, LIA, OKSEN, RAFIK** and **JHORIK** - requested by Angel and Boghos Gulesserian.

- **VALERIE MAKARIAN** (30 Year Memorial) and **TAGOUHI ARSENIAN** (32 Year Memorial) - requested by Araxie Makarian and Family; the Arsenian 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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**Trnpatsek – Ritual of the Opening of the Doors
Conducted on Palm Sunday**

Palm Sunday marks Christ’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem as Messiah. Sometimes Palm Sunday is referred to as Advent, in reference to Christ’s coming as the Messiah to Jerusalem and to His Passion. For that reason it is connected with Christ’s Second or Final Coming, and is celebrated in the Armenian Church with the special “Opening of the Doors” (Trnpatsek) ritual; a foreshadowing of the Last Judgment.

Psalm 118

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, and we bless you from the house of the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, his steadfast loves endures forever! The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

Hymn – Shnorya Mez Der – Grant us Lord

Grant us vigilance, Lord, with that of the Wise Virgins and brighten the lamps of our souls.

HOLY WEEK 2015 – SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

The priest kneeling outside the curtain of the altar shall chant lamentingly, for this service symbolizes Judgment Day.

Pats Mez Der – Open to Us Lord

Open to us, open to us, O Lord, the door of Thy mercy, we ask with a lamenting voice,

Deacon (inside): Who are these to whom I should open, for this is the Lord's door and the righteous shall enter through it.

Priest (outside): Not only can the just enter, but the sinners also may enter, having been justified by means of confession and repentance.

Deacon (inside): Be it known, that this is the door to heaven, the vale of sorrow, which God promised to Jacob, rest for the just, a place of forgiveness for sinners, the Kingdom of Christ, the residence of the angels, the place of meeting for saints, a place of refuge, and the House of God.

Priest (outside): It is worthy and true what you say about the Holy Church because she is our Immaculate Mother; and from her we are born as sons of light and of truth; she is the hope of life for us; through her we find salvation of our souls; she is the way of righteousness for us and through her we ascend to Christ, our heavenly Father.

Hymn – Imasdoon Goosankn – The Wise Virgins

The Wise Virgins, having prepared their oil-lamps, went forth to meet the heavenly Bridegroom with lighted lamps.

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Pats Mez Der – Open to Us Lord

Open to us, open to us, O Lord, the door of Thy mercy, we ask with a lamenting voice,

Deacon (inside): The terrifying trumpet of God calls out with a frightful sound and says: "Behold the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him."

Priest (outside): Behold, I and the children whom God has entrusted me. We all are here and expect to see Christ and hear His blissful voice.

Deacon (inside): The voice of God the Creator calls, saying: "Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

Priest (outside): Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks unto the Lord.

The Curtain is opened with the Hymn – Zoghormootyan – Open to Us

Open to us the gate of thy mercy, O Lord, and make us worthy of your dwellings of light together with your saints.

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TODAY	PALM SUNDAY
9:00 a.m.	Morning Service and Antasdan
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy - Service of Opening of the Gates – Trnpatzek ACYOA Palm Sunday Dinner following services
APRIL 2	HOLY AND GREAT THURSDAY – Institution of the Last Supper
9:30 a.m.	Morning and Healing Service
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Fellowship following
7:00 p.m.	Washing of Feet – Vodunluva & Vespers of the Ten Virgins
8:30 p.m.	Memorial of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ – Khavaroom
APRIL 3	HOLY AND GREAT FRIDAY
5:00 p.m.	Memorial of the Crucifixion of our Lord – Khachelootyunun Kreesdosee
6:00 p.m.	Memorial of the Burial of Our Lord – Taghoomun Kreesdosee
APRIL 4	HOLY AND GREAT SATURDAY
5:30 p.m.	Reading of Sacred Prophecies
6:00 p.m.	Easter Eve Divine Liturgy – Jrakalooys
7:30 p.m.	Family Night-TRIPLE S SHOPPE Egg Cracking Contest for children (The good old days!)
APRIL 5	EASTER SUNDAY – RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
9:00 a.m.	Morning Service
10:00 am.	Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m.	Blessing of the Four Corners of the World – Antasdan