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Saints Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Church
The Lighthouse

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Schedule Sunday Service

Morning Service (*Keesheryeen & Aravodyan Jham*) No Morning Service Today-
Divine Liturgy (*Soorp Badarak*) 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, July 2, 2017

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Readings

Isaiah 1:21-31 (Pg. 683)

Romans 7:25-8:11 (Pg. 143)

Matthew 12:38- 45 (Pg. 12)

Creed: Armenian

The Legacy of our Martyrs 1915 - 2015

Don't just attend the Badarak. See it, feel it, sing it, pray it, hear it, smell
it, touch it, and taste it and see how sweet is the Lord!

Ճաշակեցէք եւ տեսէք զի քաղցր է Տէր:

"Taste ye, and see, for the Lord is sweet." (Adapted from Psalm 34:8)

Der Shnork



From the Pastor

*God Bless America,
One Nation Under God*



Have a wonderful Fourth of July.

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew (12:38-45)

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to him, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign; but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.

For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

The men of Nin'evah will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here.

The queen of the South will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.

"When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest, but he finds none. Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes he finds it empty, swept, and put in order.

Then he goes and brings with him seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. So shall it be also with this evil generation."

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 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 preparing 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.

Response when Kissing the Cross (during the procession):

The **faithful** says:

Յիշեսցիր եւ զիս առաջի անմահ գառինն 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 լիցիր առաջի անմահ գառինն 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.)

CHRIST OUR GOD

You crown your saints with triumph and you do the will of all who fear you, looking after your creatures with love and kindness. Hear us from your holy and heavenly realm by the intercession of the Holy Mother of God and by the prayers of all your saints, especially the holy martyrs who gave their lives during the Armenian Genocide for faith and for the homeland, whom we commemorate today. Hear us Lord, and show us your mercy. Forgive, redeem and pardon our sins. Make us worthy thankfully to glorify you with the Father and with the Holy Spirit. Now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.



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

- **ROBERT H. JANIGIAN Sr.** (6 Year Memorial) - requested by Louise Janigian; Dr. & Mrs. Robert Janigian Jr., Christopher, Matt, Mike and Nick; Mr. & Mrs. Marc Janigian, Greta, Leo and Lily; Stephen & Dorothy Masoian; Stephanie Masoian; Mr. & Mrs. Edward Eranosian.

- **MOVSESI JANIGIAN** and **AZNIV JANIGIAN** – requested by Stephen & Dorothy Masoian and Family; Louise Janigian 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.

Welcome and Sunday Fellowship

Welcome Visitors! Please join us for our after services coffee fellowship in the Egavian Hall. Your presence is greatly valued. Please become a regular worshipper. **Note:** Please call the office if you would like to include the name of your family member or friend who is presently in the military in our prayers.

Please keep our Christian brothers and sisters in Artsakh, Syria, Egypt and Iraq in your prayers that God Almighty will watch over them and protect them in these uncertain and dangerous times

PRAYER FOR HEALING - Armenian Book Of Hours (Sixth Hour)

Remove the pains and heal the wounds of your people, O Lord our God, and grant perfect health to us all through your all-conquering cross, through which you eliminated the weakness of the human race and condemned the enemy of our life and salvation.

You are our life and redemption, beneficent and all-merciful God, and you alone can forgive our sins, remove diseases and sicknesses from us. You know our needs, O giver of gifts; grant your abundant mercy to all your creatures, each one according to his needs. And through your gifts may we always praise the all-holy Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen

Prayers of Healing have been requested for:

His Beatitude Abp. Mesrob Mutafyan, Patriarch of Constantinople

Prayer Card Ministry

Information about the *Prayer Card Ministry* of Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Church is available through the church office. If you would like to request a Healing Prayer Card or a Memorial Prayer Card for a loved one, please call the office (272-7712). Details for this are available on line at <http://www.stsahmes.org/prayercard.shtm>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JULY 3

Senior Citizens Come join us on Mondays (at 10 a.m. weather permitting, **excluding holidays**). Have fun with your friends & neighbors & enjoy with us "coffee and," cards, tavloo, pinochle, etc.

JULY 4

The office will be closed Tuesday for the July 4 holiday.

JULY 8

On Saturday, July 8, Fr. Shnork Souin will be the Guest Celebrant of the *Divine Liturgy at the Armenian Church of Cape Cod*.

JULY 10

Prof. Ara Dostourian's *Church History Class* will meet Mondays beginning on July 10 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Church Hall, and continue through July and August. Dates in the Fall will be announced. Please join us. Call the church office for further details.

AUGUST 19

The *Annual Church Picnic* will be held this year on August 19 starting at 12:00 noon. Food, music, and fun! Kheyma, shish-kebob, losh kebob, chicken, khorovats, Tavloo Tournament. The tents will be lit at night so stay, eat and dance all night! Support the ACYOA-run Armenian Pastry Booth. Armenian CD's, jewelry, gifts and more by Armenian Vendor. Gallery Z Moby the Mobile Art Gallery. Your participation and support of the picnic sponsor opportunities and raffle tickets will be greatly appreciated.

(Please Note): A picnic mailing has been sent to our mailing list on June 22. We inadvertently included only one sheet of tickets for the picnic raffle instead of two. To all those who wish to participate in the raffle by responding to this mailing, please be assured that the church office will take care of adding the additional tickets with your information when your checks for the "Picnic Package Deal" are received. Please accept our apologies for this oversight!

AUGUST 23 - 25

Overnight Camping for kids ages 10-17 at Husenig Grove (2 nights!) - 3 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 23 to Friday, Aug. 25 at 3 p.m. Parents are invited to stay for dinner on Wednesday evening for khorovats BBQ! Complete details are available on the church's website on what to bring, and permission form, etc. Cost: \$40, second child \$20. This year tuition is waived for children who are in Sunday and/or Armenian School and have a parent who is a dues-paid member of Sts. Sahag & Mesrob. Contact Der Shnork at dershork@gmail.com or call 201-306-4304. Permission forms/flyer can be obtained in the church office.

Volunteer opportunities - You can help!! Please consider helping with transportation, food prep, chaperone, and monetary contributions in support of the camp to cover materials and other sundry expenses. There is a form on the website to fill out with your preferences which can be returned to Fr. Shnork either digitally or by mailing to the church office.

SEPTEMBER 2 & 9

The *Arts Education Program* will begin with registration for 2017-2018 First Semester on Saturday, September 2 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Egavian Cultural Center. Programs begin on Saturday, September 9 at 10 a.m.. For more information contact Janna Guegamian (401-861-3573) or e-mail Petroskon@aol.com.

SEPTEMBER 9 & 12

Armenian School classes will begin in September, Saturday classes begin on September 9 at 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and Tuesday adult classes begin on September 12 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Complete details are on the church website (flyer and registration form). Contact Mariam Saribekyan (401-714-6327).

OCTOBER 6

Save the date for the *Douglas Ave. Kef Time* sponsored by the Women's Guild, Friday, October 6, 2017 at 6 p.m. in the Egavian Cultural Center. More details to be announced in future bulletins.

NOTICES

The Arts Education Program is pleased to announce the "*Saroyan Theater Company*" Theatre Club which will be meeting at a future date to be announced. Explore the world of Theatre (games, scenes, history, technique, monologues) To join, please message Elizabeth Souin - e-mail e.souin@yahoo.com or call/text 973-349-7012. Include name & age of participant, & contact information. Or Contact Janna Guegamian, Art Education Chair: 401-861-3573, petroskon@aol.com

The Armenian Historical Association of RI (AHARI) is located in the Bliss Building on Providence's East Side at 245 Waterman Street, Suite 204. The current exhibit is now available for tours from Monday through Saturday by appointment. Call the AHARI museum at 401-454-5111 or email to info@armenianhistorical-ri.org --- at least one (1) week in advance.

St. Vartan Camp -

8-15 years old. To register, www.diocesansummercamps.org
Session A June 25-July 8 - Session B July 9- July 22 - Session C July 23-Aug. 5

St. Nersess Seminary Summer Conference - www.stnersess.edu
Deacon's Training June 23-July 2 - High School A July 7-16
HS B July 21-30 - Post High School Aug 1-6

*If either parent is a dues paying member and the child is enrolled in Sunday School or participates regularly in the Altar Service Program or Choir, they are eligible for \$150 scholarships for either camp or conference.

2017 St. Nersess Summer Conferences - 2017 Summer Conferences at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary - brochures with complete information for programs and signing up are available in the wall pockets near the church office.

The Genealogy Subcommittee of the Armenian Historical Association of Rhode Island (AHARI) is forming a Genealogy Club. The purpose is to assist members in tracing their ancestors and discovering the daily events that shaped their and, eventually, our lives. We want to come together to help people find information about their ancestors. Share your family's past historical and cultural artifacts thru AHARI and help perpetuate Armenia's glorious past. AHARI is a 501c non-profit organization. The AHARI office is at 245 Waterman St., Suite 204, Providence. (Telephone 401-544-5511) Please contact Margaret Chevian at margo1915@gmail.com or 401-331-3985 if you have questions.

PARISH MEMBER DUES - Membership dues are \$175 (\$125 for seniors). Based on a new Diocesan by-law, dues for members age 18-24 are only \$100. Those unable to give full dues may confidentially approach the Pastor 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, 2017;** (new members must be received by June 30 to vote at Parish Assembly in February 2018.) Take advantage of the many payment options which can be by check, credit card, in full, or in part weekly, monthly or quarterly.

PRAYER BOX - There is a *prayer box* in the chancel located on the table at the entrance of the Sanctuary on the elevator side where you may place your written prayer requests.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR REMINDER- Remember your non-perishable food donations for Mary House food pantry. Items that move very quickly and are needed the most - **tuna, peanut butter, jelly, soups and rice.** They also need personal care toiletries such as tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo & conditioner, deodorant etc. As always thanks so much for supporting Mary House. For info., contact Joyce Avedisian (724-3978). Next Meal Kitchen date that was scheduled for 6/26/17 was postponed, and a future date will be announced. The Sunday School outreach is collecting toilet paper & kleenex or other hygiene items and can be dropped off in the Sunday School area. Your participation is always welcome.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 3 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
4 Holiday, Office Closed
10 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class with Prof. Ara Dostourian, 7 p.m.
11 Parish Council, 7 p.m.
17 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.
18 Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m.
23 **Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord**
24 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.
25 Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
31 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.

AUGUST

- 7 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.
8 Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
13 **Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother of God**
14 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.
15 Parish Council, 7 p.m.
19 Church Picnic - Save the Date !
21 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.
23-25 Overnight Camping at Husenig Grove for Kids 10-17
28 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
Church History Class, 7 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Arts Education Registration 10-11 a.m. Egavian Hall
4 Labor Day Holiday, Office closed.
5 Senior Citizens, 10 a.m.
9 Arts Education Program begins, 10 a.m.
Armenian School Classes 9:30a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
12 Armenian School Adult Class, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
17 **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
24 Bake Sale for the Nazeli Dance Group
26 Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m.

OCTOBER

- 6 Women's Guild - Douglas Ave. Kef, 6 p.m.
22 Spiritual Music Festival, 5 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 4 & 5 Annual Church Bazaar