

Before making any preparations, in choosing date and time for Weddings and Baptisms, please be sure to contact *our pastor, Fr. Aren Jebejian*. All Sacraments must be arranged at least three months ahead. Other church related matters, such as hospital and home visitations and counseling, should also be made first with Fr. Aren. In order to invite clergy from other churches, arrangements must be made through the church office.

Fr. Aren can be reached at the Church Office on Mondays from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Calendar of Events

2010

Sunday, January 24 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 4:00 p.m.

Church of Wilmette
1020 Forest Avenue
Wilmette, IL 60091

Saturday, January 30 – Regional Sunday School Teachers Conference

Sunday, January 31 – Annual Parish Assembly

Sunday, February 5 – Super Bowl

Saturday, February 13 – Poon Parigentan Dinner/Dance

Crystal Palace Banquets
1070 S. Elmhurst Rd.
Mt. Prospect, IL

Church Attendance January 10: 120

Canon for the Burial of a Priest

Rev. Fr. Vahram Hazarian

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Worship Hours
Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday After The OCTAVE OF THEOPHANY

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
Pastor
January 17, 2010

<u>Lections:</u>	The Epistle Reading: <i>The First letter of Paul to Timothy 1-1-11</i> – Page 188 <i>The Gospel According to John 2:1-110</i> – Page 85
<u>Readers:</u>	Epistle: Arnold Koresian Gospel: Michelle Babikian
<u>Greeter:</u>	Gregory Tootooian

We bring attention to our parishioners that it is most inappropriate to enter the

Sanctuary during:

- **Reading of the Lections until the Creed is recited**
- **During Confession and Communion**
- **During the Sermon**

Please, wait in the vestibule until such time when it is proper to enter the Sanctuary.

Welcome to Parishioners and Friends

On this first Sunday after Theophany we extend a welcome to all who have come to praise our Creator. We are sincerely happy that you have come.

Hokehankisd – Page 56 of the Divine Liturgy Book

Requiem Service will be offered for the repose of the soul of:

- Alice “Goldie” George – 6th Year Anniversary

Fellowship Hour

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the Fellowship Hour *hosted by Parris & Cathy George in memory of Alice “Goldie” George.*

Prayers for the Sick (Der Voghormia) – Page 45 of the Divine Liturgy Book

Let us remember in our prayers and ask God’s Blessings for our parishioners who are at home, in a hospital or nursing home. Let us continue with our prayers for the following:

<i>Anthony Acquarulo</i>	<i>Shnorik Hitik</i>	<i>Tracy Russo</i>
<i>Betty Alberts</i>	<i>George Kazarian</i>	<i>Dr. Hovhanes Sahagian</i>
<i>David Alloian</i>	<i>Takouhi Kazarian</i>	<i>Alyce Schaffer</i>
<i>Virginia Andrews</i>	<i>Grace Klujian</i>	<i>Lisa Schaffer</i>
<i>Julie Ashikian, CT</i>	<i>Benjamin Manoyan</i>	<i>Harry Seraydarian</i>
<i>Margaret Cholakian, CA</i>	<i>Jack Najarian Mendell, CA</i>	<i>Sam Sommese</i>
<i>Eleanor Chavarrio</i>	<i>Virginia Nazlaian</i>	<i>Julie Tarpinian</i>
<i>Agnes Eghoian</i>	<i>Heghna (Helen) Paloian</i>	<i>Hovsep Utas</i>
<i>Jacob Hagopian</i>	<i>Marilyn Reibel</i>	<i>Danny Wallace</i>
		<i>Nancy Weiss</i>

Prayers Request

For those wishing to request special prayers or to enter a loved one’s name on the prayer list, please call the church office by Thursday of that week.

Nicene Creed

Together, we shall recite the Nicene Creed (The Profession of Our Faith) on **pages 18-19 of the Divine Liturgy Book** found in the pews.

Kiss of Peace (Pages 26-27 of the Divine Liturgy Book)

The person giving the greeting says:	The person receiving the greeting responds.
Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetzav (Christ is revealed among us.)	Ohrnyal eh haydnootiunn Krisdosee (Blessed is the revelation of Christ.)

Confession and Communion

For those who wish to receive Holy Communion, we ask that they remain in their pews and together read **“Confession and Absolution” on pages 48-49 of the Divine Liturgy Book.**

When taking communion, make the sign of the cross and say:

I have sinned against God – Ø»Õ³Ū ²ëiãôlãŪ (Megha Asdoodzo)

Ladies must have a head covering when approaching the Holy Altar.

“The Light of St. Gregory”

Our thanks to the *Babikian Family* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the **“Light of St. Gregory”** illuminated for the month of *January in memory of Garabed and Vartouhi DerMinassian and Hampartzoum and Begheghia Babikian.*

Fr. Vahram Hazarian – Asleep in the Lord

It is with great sadness that we inform you that Reverend Fr. Vahram Hazarian entered his eternal rest on Wednesday, January 13, 2010. He was the pastor of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church, Chicago from 1983-1988. He then continued to serve as a visiting pastor of South Milwaukee’s Holy Resurrection Armenian Church. Der Vahram was a kind and gentle soul, who was loved by all.

Visitation will be on Sunday, January 17, from 5 – 8 pm in the St. Gregory Church sanctuary with a wake service at 7:00 pm. The final anointing and burial will be held on Monday, January 18 at 10:00 a.m. during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, presided over by our Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian. Interment: Mt. Olive Cemetery.

The family has requested “In Lieu of Flowers” donations to benefit the Eastern Diocese’s Clergy Assistance Fund. Checks should be made out to the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Memo: Fr. Hazarian/Clergy Assistance Fund), 630 Second Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10016. We extend our deepest condolences to Yeretzhin Shoushan, his children Raffi and Tamar and their families.

Ecumenical Celebration

In observance of the *2010 Week of Prayers for Christian Unity*, the 10th Annual Ecumenical Prayer Service will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2010 at the Church of Wilmette, 1020 Forest Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. A reception will follow the service. All are invited to attend.

Women’s Guild

The next meeting will be held on January 24, 2010. All women of the church are invited to attend Guild meetings and participate in the programs offered.

Nairi Choir Gift and Booktique

If you need that special gift for any occasion, stop by the **Nairi Choir Booktique**. . Whether it’s a CD, cassette, video, music tapes, and books for young and old as well as beautiful assorted gifts, it’s available. The **Booktique** is open today and every Sunday following church services in the large hall.

Poon Parigentan Dinner and Dance

The *6th Annual Poon Parigentan Dinner and Dance* will be held on February 13, 2010, at the Crystal Palace Banquets, 1070 S. Elmhurst Road, Mt. Prospect, IL. This “not to be missed” event is sponsored by the Armenian Churches: St Gregory the Illuminator of Chicago, St. James, Evanston and Sts. Joachim and Anne, Palos Heights. Flyers with additional information are placed in the church vestibule.

Membership Dues for the Year 2009

The Annual Parish Assembly will take place on January 31 2010 in the large hall. In order to be eligible as a voting member of the assembly, all 2009 membership dues were to be paid December 31, 2010. Dues are \$125.00 for members 65 and under and \$75 for senior citizens and full-time college students.

When the Need Arises - Get in Touch With the Church Office

October 26, 1936 – January 13, 2010

**His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Officiating**

Proper manner to offer condolences in the case of a priest.

You may enter the sanctuary (in silence) and approach the family to offer condolences. Following which you may approach the casket. As is the tradition in the Armenian Church for all clergymen, it is proper to kiss the clergyman's hand which was consecrated with Holy Muron at the time of his ordination. In the case of a deceased priest, upon arriving at the casket, it is proper to do one or all of the following.

Kiss the deceased priest's right hand, then kiss the Holy Gospel. You may cross yourself as you offer a prayer to God for his soul. You may simply bow in reverence. You may simply stand in silence.

(We ask that women remove their lipstick prior to kissing the priest's hand. Tissue's are available.)

As this sanctuary is a place of prayer and is not a Funeral Home or Social Hall, we ask that anyone wishing to socialize go downstairs to the cultural hall where refreshments are available. All are invited to remain in silent prayer in the sanctuary as long as they wish.

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Asdvadz Hokin Loosavoreh + May God Illuminate His Soul

