

Home Blessings

Every Armenian family is encouraged to have their home blessed. Home Blessing is a meaningful religious service that brings the entire family together in oneness and holiness, and blesses them. It is customary to have the pastor make home visitations during the 40 days after Christmas and Easter. If you wish to have your home blessed during Christmastide or at a later date, please call Fr. Aren to make arrangements.

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

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 this week 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

Sunday, January 31..... Parish Assembly Meeting - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 7 Super Bowl XLIV – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 13..... Poon Paregentan Dinner/Dance 7:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.
Crystal Palace Banquets
1070 S. Elmhurst Rd.
Mt. Prospect, IL

Sunday, February 14..... Poon Paregentan - Sunday School Mardi Gras

Monday, February 15..... First Day of Lent

Tuesday, February 16 Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 21..... Sunday of the Expulsion
..... Women's Guild Meeting following
the Fellowship Hour

Sunday, February 28..... Sunday of the Prodigal Son
..... *Hokehankisd* service for the repose of soul for
Rev. Fr. Vahram Hazarian, on the 40th day of
his death.

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

**Third Sunday After
The OCTAVE OF THEOPHANY**

**Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
Pastor
January 31, 2010**

Church Attendance January 24: 55

Lections:	The Epistle Reading: <i>The Second Letter of Paul to Timothy 3:1-12</i> – Page 193 <i>The Gospel According to John 6:22-38</i> – Page 89-90
Readers:	Epistle: Arnold Koresian Gospel: Michelle Babikian
Greeter:	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

We happily welcome you to the Lord's house of worship. In a spirit of love and friendship, we encourage you to join us each and every Sunday.

2010 Annual Parish Assembly

The Annual Parish Assembly of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church will be held at 1:00 p.m. Both dues-paying and non-dues paying members are welcome to attend and participate.

Fellowship Hour

All are cordially invited to attend the luncheon served prior to the meeting, coordinated by Michelle Babikian, Vice Chairperson of the Parish Council. A donation will be requested to cover our costs.

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

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

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

Prayer Request

For those wishing to request **Requiem Service (Hokehankisd,)** 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.	Orhynal eh haydnootiunn Krisdosec.

(Christ is revealed among us)

(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 – ՃՅԹՅՈՒ շե՛հմեզ (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.*

Haiti Earthquake Relief - Fundraiser

In the aftermath of the massive earthquake, the people of **Haiti** desperately need our help for food, water, and shelter and health supplies. **Haiti** is our poorest neighbor and was still recovering from deadly 2008 hurricanes when the quake struck. To help with the **relief and recovery efforts** for **Haiti's** victims, a special plate will be passed. Donate what you can – the people of **Haiti** need our support.

Adult Bible Study

A schedule will be forthcoming.

Women's Guild

The next business meeting of the Women's Guild will be held on Sunday, February 21st following the Fellowship Hour. New and exciting events are being planned. All women of the church are welcome to join and participate in the meetings.

Nairi Choir Gift and Booktique

For that special gift, stop by the **Nairi Choir Booktique**. Whether it's a CD, cassette, video, music tapes or books for young and old, it's available. The **Booktique** is open today and every Sunday following church services in the large hall.

Super Bowl XLIV Party

Don't miss this exciting event sponsored by the **ACYOA Seniors on Sunday, February 7th at 4:30 p.m.** It's an all you can eat and drink, with Large Screen TV to Watch the Game. Donation is as follows: **Package 1** - \$25 Includes *Mezza*, Buffet Style Dinner, Beer & Wine. **Package 2:** \$20 *Mezza*, Buffet Style Dinner, soft drinks and coffee. **Package 3:** \$15 for Seniors (65 and older) - *Mezza*, Buffet Style Dinner, Beer and Wine. **Package 4:** \$15 for Kids 13-17 years and **Kids 12 and under FREE**. Square for pools not included. If you are interested in buying a square at \$20, please call Arden Karian, 847/205-5105.

Poon Paregentan Dinner and Dance

ATTENTION! Be sure to get your Paid Reservation for the **6th Annual Poon Paregentan Dinner Dance tomorrow, February 1st** in order to receive a special \$10.00 discount on a \$65 adult dinner ticket. You can purchase your reservation by making a check payable to "Midwest Churches Paregentan" and giving it to **Shant Paklaian, a member of the Poon Paregentan 2010 Committee** Or pay by credit card by going to website – **sites.google.com/site/poonparegentan 2010**. Any questions, please email at poonparegentan@gmail.com. This year the celebration takes place at the Crystal Palace Banquets, 1070 S. Elmhurst Road, Mt. Prospect, Illinois, on Saturday, February 13, 2010. Flyers with all related information are placed in the church vestibule.