

Women's Guild

On Saturday, June 6, 2009, it's going to be a fun "tour" day (\$10) of *RavenStone Castle, Harvard, IL*. All are invited so just call Sandy Hitik for reservations and other information: Cell - 847-867-6793. On Thursday, June 25, it will be a "work meeting" at 7:00 p.m. New members are always welcome to join and participate in the programs and activities of the Women's Guild.

Address Book Form

Please, do not forget to fill out and return the Address Book Form recently mailed by the Women's Guild. The Guild has undertaken the project of creating an address book including phone numbers and e-mail addresses. Today, e-mail has become an effective, fast and less expensive way of communicating. In our effort to build an e-mail contact list for parishioners and friends of St. Gregory, we ask that you return the form as soon as possible.

34th Annual Armenian Fest

Please mark Tuesday, July 7th on your calendar for the next meeting of the 34th Annual Armenian Fest. The meeting will start promptly at 8:00 p.m. SIGN UP AS A VOLUNTEER! Please contact Chairpersons, Craig Koresian 773/631-4786 or Armen Zakarian 847/253-6669.

AGBU Chicago Center

PAREV, Chicago's Armenian newspaper and AGBU/Chicago are proud to present Armenian comedienne OUHI OLUHOGIAN with her one woman show "HONEST TO GOD" in English, at the AGBU Chicago Center on Sunday, June 7, at 3:00 p.m. Donation: \$25 per person. Tickets may be purchased from Fr. Aren. All proceeds will support the continued publication and free distribution of PAREV.

Summer Camps

Hye Camp (Midwest): Camp Hickory, Ingleside, IL August 1-8 and St. Vartan Camp, at Ararat Center, Greenville, NY with three two-week sessions. Session A: June 28-July 11 – Session B: July 12-25 – Session C: July 26-August 8. There is also staff training from June 24-27. For further information, please contact **Jennifer E. Morris, Youth Outreach Coordinator (212) 686-0710 ext. 118 or jenniferm@armeniandiocese.org**.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

The St. Vartan Armenian Cathedral is inviting you to join a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from New York, July 24 to August 2, 2009. For complete information, pick up a flyer placed in the church vestibule.

FAR Young Professionals Tour

The Fund for Armenian Relief (FAR) is offering a two-week trip to Armenia for young professionals, ages 23 to 40, June 8-22, 2009. The trip highlights include visits to historic sites and tours of FAR projects throughout Armenia; a meeting with His Holiness Karekin II at the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin, sightseeing in Yerevan and other cities. For more information, or to register, contact **Arto Vorperian, Projects Director at (212) 889-5150 or arto@farusa.org**.

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

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Worship Hours

Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

GUEST CELEBRANT

REV. FR. YEPREM KELEGIAN, PASTOR

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN CHURCH, RACINE, WI

May 31, 2009

Lections: The Epistle Reading:
The Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21 - Pages 108-109
The Gospel According to John 14-25-31 – Page 100
Reader: 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

It is with great joy that we welcome all who have come to worship the Lord on this joyous day as we celebrate *Pentecost*. The coming of the Holy Spirit (or *Hokekaloust* in Armenian) is celebrated in the Armenian Church, as in all Christian churches, 50 days after Easter. This day is usually referred to as the birthday of the Church, because it was at *Pentecost* that the Church really began. Just as the Holy Spirit came to the Apostles on this day, may the same joy and fellowship and closeness be among us today as they were on the day the Church was born in Jerusalem so long ago.

Guest Celebrant – Pulpit Exchange

We warmly welcome our Guest Celebrant, Fr. Yeprem Kelegian, Pastor of St. Mesrob Armenian Church, Racine, WI while Fr. Aren is celebrating Divine Liturgy at St. Mesrob Armenian Church, Racine, WI, and giving a lecture talk on his year in Armenia.

Altar Flowers

Today's flowers adorning the altar are presented to the glory of God by the Martin & Kaprelian families in honor of Robert Kaprelian's 60th Birthday on May 20th. Belated Happy Birthday, Robert!

Fellowship Hour

Following services, you are all invited to today's Fellowship Hour *hosted by members of the Women's Guild*.

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>Virginia Andrews</i>	<i>Jacob Hagopian</i>	<i>Harry Paloian</i>
<i>Fran Annoreno</i>	<i>Fr. Vahram Hazarian</i>	<i>Tracy Russo</i>
<i>Julie Ashikian, CT</i>	<i>George Kazarian</i>	<i>Dr. Hovanes Sahagian</i>
<i>Jim Bottala</i>	<i>Marge Kazarian</i>	<i>Lisa Schaffer</i>
<i>Margaret Cholakian, CA</i>	<i>Grace Klujian</i>	<i>Alyce Schaffer</i>
<i>Yn. Patricia Dagley, OH</i>	<i>Benjamin Manoyan</i>	<i>Harry Seraydarian</i>
<i>Eleanor Chavarrio</i>	<i>Isabell Nahabedian</i>	<i>Sister Janet</i>
<i>Agnes Eghoian</i>	<i>Josh Najarian Mendell, CA</i>	<i>Sam Sommese</i>
<i>Edward Fromm</i>	<i>Virginia Nazlaian</i>	<i>Julie Tarpinian</i>
<i>Paul Gerlach</i>	<i>Raelene Ohanesian</i>	<i>Doug Zoerhoff</i>

Special Prayers

At the request of Helen Kuefner, our prayers are needed for the good health of *Marilyn Reibel*.

Requiem Service/Special Prayers

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 **Ohrnyal eh haydnootiunn Krisdosee**
(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 – ՃՅԾԹՆԷՒԱՌՁԱՒԱՆՔ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

"The Light of St. Gregory"

Our thanks to *Robert & Victoria Kaprelian* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the "Light of St. Gregory" illuminated for the month of *May*.

Condolences

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of **Martin Peter Aznavoorian** who died on May 23, 2009. Funeral Services were held at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, officiated by Fr. Aren. Interment: Mt. Olive Cemetery. May God rest his soul in peace.

Intensive Study on "must know" topics of the Armenian Church

The five session intensive study on "must know" topics in the Armenian Church will continue tomorrow, Monday, June 1st from 8 – 9:30 p.m. The evening's session will be focused on the *History of the Armenians in Jerusalem*. The last session will be held on Monday, June 8th with a "**Flex Topic**." Please make every effort to attend these informative sessions with family members and friends.

Home Blessings

Home Blessing is a meaningful religious service that brings the entire family together in oneness and holiness, and blesses them. Through this ceremony everyone's faith is replenished and strengthened and the Lord's presence is felt. Usually homes are blessed during the days right after Christmas and Easter but can be blessed at any other time during the year. Parishioners who wish to have their homes blessed, bringing the light of Christ into your home, please call Fr. Aren to make arrangements.

Ararat Center Liaison

We are looking for a parishioner to serve as liaison to the Board of Directors for the *Ararat Center*. This facility is located in upstate New York and was purchased by the Diocese in 2004 and now serves as the permanent home to St. Vartan Camp as well as several other Church affiliated programs and organizations. The liaison from our church would help promote the good works and availability of the Ararat Center. All that's required is for someone to receive materials either emailed or sent, and then distribute whatever is appropriate for our parish community either via the church bulletin or eblasts. Then provide the Ararat Center with feedback to better promote the facility to the Midwest parishes. Being liaison does not require a lot of time...just your willingness to help facilitate communication to our community. If interested, please contact Fr. Aren.

Mini Retreat

Because of a lack of participation, the Mini Retreat at University of St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein, IL on Monday, June 1, 2009 has been cancelled.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, June 1 Catechism – “History of the Armenians in Jerusalem”

Friday, June 5..... ACYOA Jrs. Lock-In

Saturday, June 6..... Women’s Guild -Tour of RavenStone Castle, Harvard, IL

**Sunday, June 7..... Comedienne OUIH OLUGHOGIAN in one woman show
Performed in English – AGBU, Onnig Norehad Center,
7248 N. Harlem, Chicago, IL**

Monday, June 8 Catechism – “Hot Topics”

**Sunday, June 14..... Feast of the Catholic Church of Holy Etchmiadzin
.....Closing of Sunday School Year – Children’s Sermon**

**Saturday and Sunday..... Re-consecration of Doors and Reopening of Large Hall
June 20-21 Father’s Day – Divine Liturgy - Guest Celebrant, Archbishop
Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian
Church of America (Eastern)**

Thursday, June 25..... Women’s Guild Work Meeting

Tuesday, June 30..... Sunday School Fun with Hayr Soorp

Tuesday, July 734th Annual Picnic Meeting

Thursday, July 9Sunday School Fun with Hayr Soorp

Church Attendance May 24 - 60

