

Nairi Choir

Save the dates of November 7-8, 2009 for a fun weekend with *Tom Bozigian* of Los Angeles at an Armenian Dance Workshop sponsored by the Nairi Choir of St. Gregory. Tom is internationally recognized as a specialist of Armenian Dance, Music, Choreography and Folklore. Details are in the mail.

Membership Dues for the Year 2009

All registered members of St. Gregory are reminded to make sure their 2009 membership dues are paid before the end of the year. Dues are \$125.00 for members 65 and under and \$75 for senior citizens and full-time college students.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Celebrate Armenian Christmas in Jerusalem (January 18 -19 Old Calendar) and meet with *His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem*. Join an all-inclusive Armenian Christmas Pilgrimage that has been organized by the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern) from Newark, NJ – January 15-24, 2010 – for \$2,300 per person (double occupancy). Space is limited – final registration deadline is November 5, 2009. For additional information, flyers are placed in the church vestibule.

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.

Calendar of Events

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| Tuesday, Oct. 13 | – Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, Oct. 18 | – 45th Anniversary of the Consecration of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church |
| Thursday, Oct. 22 | – Catechism - 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, Oct. 25 | – Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross Morning Service – 9:30a.m. - Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. |
| | – 50 th Anniversary of St. George Armenian Church, Waukegan, IL |
| Monday, Oct. 26 | – Bible Study – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, November 7 | – Tom Bozigian Dance Workshop – St. Gregory Nairi Choir Youth Dance Session (up to 18 years old) – 3:00-6:00 p.m. Adult Dance Session – 7:00-10:00 p.m. |
| Sunday, November 8 | – Tom Bozigian Dance Workshop Wrap-up Session & Party 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. – AGBU/Chicago presents Tom Mooradian, Author of “The Repatriate” - his 13 years behind the Iron Curtain! |
| Sunday, December 6 | – Nairi Choir Christmas Party at Costa’s |

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Worship Hours

Morning Service – 10.00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

*Fourth Sunday after the
Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

*Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
Pastor
October 11, 2009*

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| Lections: | The Epistle Reading: <i>The Second Letter of Paul to the Galatians – 2:1-10 – Page 171</i> <i>The Gospel According to Mark – 12:35-44 – Page 44</i> |
| Readers: | Epistle: Arnold Koresian Gospel: Michelle Babikian |
| Greeter: | Harry Paloian and 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

Welcome! We rejoice in having you with us today worshipping the Lord together. As we continue with the celebration of the feasts of the Cross, let us commit ourselves to attend Badarak regularly and to attend Bible Study in order to comprehend the true meaning of the cross and what it stands for in our daily lives.

Fellowship Hour

All are invited to partake in the Sunday School Fall Harvest Festival following church services – 12:30 to 2:00 pm.

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:

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| <i>Anthony Acquarulo</i> | <i>Fr. Vahram Hazarian</i> | <i>Trace Russo</i> |
| <i>Betty Alberts</i> | <i>Shnorik Hitik</i> | <i>Dr. Hovhanes Sahagian</i> |
| <i>David Alloian</i> | <i>George 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>Sister Janet</i> |
| <i>Eleanor Chavarrio</i> | <i>Virginia Nazlaian</i> | <i>Mary Sommese</i> |
| <i>Agnes Eghoian</i> | <i>Harry Paloian</i> | <i>Sam Sommese</i> |
| <i>Jacob Hagopian</i> | <i>Heghna (Helen) Paloian</i> | <i>Julie Tarpinian</i> |
| | <i>Marilyn Reibel</i> | <i>Pam Vilches</i> |

Prayer 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)

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| 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»Õ³Ú ²ëĩáóĺáŪ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

“The Light of St. Gregory”

Our thanks to *Simon and Benjamin Manoyan and Aghavni Topuzyan* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the “**Light of St. Gregory**” illuminated for the month of **October in memory of Hayganus, Simon and Mayram Manoyan.**

45th Anniversary

The **45th Anniversary of the Consecration of St. Gregory** will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2009 following church services. On this joyous occasion, we are pleased to have an “**Autumn Luncheon**” prepared by **Carrie & Michael Nahabedian of NAHA RESTAURANT.** Adults: \$25.00 – Children: \$12.00 Seating is limited. **Please RSVP by October 14** to Dorothy Koresian, 773-774-3269 or Pauline Nahabedian, 847-967-5649.

Women’s Guild

The first meeting of the new season on Friday evening was very productive and all members are excited about the many upcoming events.

Starting off with “**Hye Tea**” on Saturday afternoon, it was a blend of parishioners from the St. Gregory community getting together for finger sandwiches, pastry and assorted scones. All were served “tea” with the compliments of ARGO TEA. Sandy Hitik, Chairman, did an outstanding job of putting it all together...the scones were home-made by Sandy & her daughter Talin and were simply scrumptious!

Several members of the Women’s Guild will be attending the Women’s Guild Central Council Symposium in Philadelphia on November 6-7, 2009. They are looking forward to a great weekend which includes a guided tour of the Arshile Gorky Exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. If anyone is interested in attending this Symposium, please call Raelene Ohanesian at 224-764-2016 for details

Children’s Sermon

It should be another interesting Children’s Sermon today by Fr. Aren. He is most anxious to welcome the Sunday school students back to a new year of learning.

Sunday School

All students and parents are set for the celebration of the **Annual Fall Harvest Festival** that will take place this afternoon from 12-30 – 2:00 p.m. It’ll be hot dogs and hamburgers with all the trimming and a Festival Table brimmed with treats of all kinds. Our chef at the grill will be Haig Pedian, Jr. There will also be games, apple bobbing, face painting and other activities for the children to partake. All parishioners are invited to join the celebration.

If anyone is interested in volunteering to teach or to be a substitute teacher, please contact Mary Kazarian, Sunday School Superintendent.

ACYOA

Following the “Fall Harvest Festival” activities, all Chicago ACYOA members are invited to a short meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Bible Study

The next Bible Study is scheduled for Monday, October 26th. Classes are led by Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian. All are welcome to attend.