

St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church

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Palm Sunday, March 28, 2010

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Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian, Pastor

<u>Lections</u>	Letter of Paul to the Philippians 4:4-7 - Pages 180-181
	The Gospel According to Matthew 20:29 – 21:17 - Page 20
	Epistle: Arnold Koresian Gospel: Michelle Babikian
<u>Greeters:</u>	Gregory Tootooian
Church Schedule: Morning Service – 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.	

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

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

You are to wait in the vestibule until such time when it is proper to enter the sanctuary.

Welcome to Parishioners and Friends

We joyfully welcome you to this Palm Sunday service. As we emerge from the long penitential period of Great Lent, we now begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday, commemorating our Lord Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a colt (Matthew 21:1-11). Multitudes of the city hailed Him waving palms and olive branches and spreading their cloaks and branches in front of the colt as it passed before them and cried out, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” Blessed palms will be distributed to the congregation and all are invited to participate fully to a procession leading out the front door.

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 ill at home, in a hospital or nursing home. Let us continue with our prayers for:

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

Prayer Requests

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

Holy Week Donations

See insert listing donors for Palms, Flowers and Plants for the Tomb and Candles for the Altar.

Altar Curtains Closed

During the period of Great Lent, the Altar Curtain of the Sanctuary is closed and opened

again after the “Opening of the Door” (Trunpatzek) Service Fr. Aren and the faithful will return to church following the Palm Sunday Luncheon for this brief but very impressive service offering their prayers for entry once again into God’s glorious Kingdom. Then the Altar Curtain is again closed for Holy Week and reopened on Easter Eve when the Good News of Christ’s Resurrection is proclaimed:

“KRISDOS HARYAV EE MERELTZ.”

The Nicene Creed

Together, we shall recite the Nicene Creed (The Profession of our Faith) on Pages 18-19 of the Divine Liturgy book placed in the pews.

Confession and Communion

Those who wish to receive Holy Communion are asked to remain in their pews and together read the “Confession and Absolution” on Page 48 of the Divine Liturgy Book. Ladies must have a head covering when approaching the Holy Altar.

Kiss of Peace (Page 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.)

Memorial Day of Easter (Merrelotz)

Requiem Service will not be offered during Holy Week or on Easter Sunday. Requests for Requiem Service for loved ones will be fulfilled on Monday, April 5th, the day for the remembrance of the dead. Please give the full name of the person(s) you wish to have remembered on the sign-up sheet placed in the vestibule.

Care, Maintenance and Cost of the “Light of St. Gregory”

Our thanks to *M/M Paul M. Aznavoorian* for taking responsibility for the cost of keeping the “Light of St. Gregory” illuminated for the month of March..

ACYOA Seniors Palm Sunday Luncheon

Celebrating ACYOA Day, the seniors will be hosting the Palm Sunday Luncheon. Donation: Adults \$20.00 – Children \$5.00.

Women’s Guild

In preparation for Easter, a mini bake sale will be held today by the Women’s Guild.

Guild membership has increased bringing young energy and ideas. All women in our community are encouraged to join the Guild and be a willing member of the Women’s Guild. Membership dues are \$15.00. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 15th with pizza at 6:00pm, start of meeting at 6:30pm and Catechism at 8:00pm.

Sunday School

This is a reminder to all parents and Sunday School students that regularly scheduled classes will not meet on Easter Sunday; instead all will worship in church as a family.

To support the Diocesan Wide Sunday School Lenten Drive, we ask that you purchase a hand made keychain by the St. Gregory Sunday School Students. Proceeds from the sale will help benefit two important causes. 1. Children of Haiti – 2. Gavar School for the Handicapped – Armenia.

35th Annual Armenian Fest

The support and help of all who are able to give of their time is needed for the 35th Annual Armenian Fest, which will be held on August 15-16, 2010. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 20th at 8:00 p.m. Chairpersons of this year's Fest, Michael Nahabedian and Craig Koresian expect all to be present at the meeting.

When the Need Arises – Get in Touch with the Church Office

Before making any preparation, in choosing a date and time for Weddings and Baptisms, please, be sure to contact Fr. Aren or the Church Office. 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. Dajad. 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

- Tuesday, March 30Service of “Remembrance of the Ten Virgins”
Thursday, April 1.....MAUNDY THURSDAY – Divine Liturgy
.....Washing of the Feet Service “Vodunluva”
Friday, April 2.....HOLY FRIDAY
Saturday, April 3HOLY SATURDAY
Easter Eve Services & Jurakalouytz
SUNDAY, April 4.....EASTER - Feast of the Glorious Resurrection of
Our Lord Jesus Christ
Monday, April 5Remembrance of the Dead “Merelotz”
Thursday, April 8.....Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 15.....Catechism
Saturday, April 17ACYOA Central Council Meeting at St. Gregory
Sunday, April 18Ordination of Vahe Caliskan as Deacon
Monday, April 19Bible Study “Vocations” -The Call to the
Priesthood
Tuesday, April 20.....1st Meeting for the 35th Annual Fest – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 24`Martyrs Day – Guest Homilist,
His Eminence Francis Cardinal George
Details will be forthcoming
Thursday, April 29.....108th Diocesan Assembly – Host:
thru St. James Armenian Church,
Sunday, May 1st Evanston, Illinois
Monday, May 17Bible Study “Vocations” - You Can Run,
But You Can't Hide
Thursday, May 20.....Catechism
Thursday, June 17Catechism

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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Celebrant

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Triumphant Entry of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

Morning Service	10:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy	10:30 a.m.
Following Services, Palm Sunday Luncheon will be hosted by the ACYOA Seniors	12:30 p.m.
Service of Opening of the Doors " <i>Trunpatzek</i> ."	2:30 p.m.

HOLY TUESDAY, MARCH 30

Service of "Remembrance of the Ten Virgins"	7:00 p.m.
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MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

Remembrance of the Last Supper and Passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Divine Liturgy (Remembrance of the Last Supper)	10:00 a.m.
Washing of the Feet " <i>Vodunluva</i> "	7:00 p.m.
Service of Darkness " <i>Khavaroom</i> " (Betrayal and Passion of our Lord)	8:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

Remembrance of the Crucifixion and Burial of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

The Church will be open from 12 Noon to 3:00 p.m. for Prayer and Contemplation.	12:00 Noon
Commemoration of Christ's Crucifixion " <i>Khachelootiun</i> " and Burial " <i>Taghoom</i> "	
Service of Commemoration of Christ's Burial " <i>Taghoom</i> "	7:30 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY EASTER EVE "Jurakalouytz" APRIL 3

Traditional Armenian Easter Eve Scripture Readings	6:00 p.m.
Easter Eve Divine Liturgy " <i>Jurakalouytz</i> "	6:30 p.m.
Following Services, Light refreshment will be served by the Women's Guild	

FEAST OF THE HOLY RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Morning Service	10:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy	10:30 a.m.
Following Services, Festive Home Blessing	

MONDAY, APRIL 5

Remembrance of the Dead " <i>Merrelotz</i> "	
Requiem Service – " <i>Hokehankisd</i> "	11:00 a.m.