

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 visit website:

<http://www.armenianchurch.net/families/programs/camps.html>.

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.

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

- April 27 – May 3** Annual Clergy Conference and 107th Diocesan Assembly,
Host: Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Church,
Wynnewood, PA
- Sunday, May 3** Guest Celebrant, Very Rev. Fr. Mousegh Babayan,
from Holy Etchmiadzin
- Sunday, May 10** Mother's Day Brunch
Sunday School Parents Meeting
- Sunday, May 17** Guest Celebrant, His Eminence Archbishop Vicken Aykazian
Diocesan Legate and President of National Council of Churches
- Thursday, May 14** Women's Guild Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- May 21-25** 2009 ACYOA General Assembly and National Sports Weekend
Dolce Palisades Center, Palisades, NY
- Sunday, May 31** Pulpit Exchange - Fr. Yeprem Kelegian, Pastor
St. Mesrob Armenian Church, Racine, WI

Church Attendance April 19: 75

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Worship Hours

Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

***Martyrs Day Commemoration
Of the
94th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide
April 26, 2009***

***Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
Pastor***

Lections:	The Epistle Reading: <i>The First Letter of Peter 2:1-10 – Page 209</i> <i>The Gospel According to John 2:23 – 3:12 – Pages 85-86</i>
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 extend the warmest of welcomes to all who have come to worship the Lord. This is the third Sunday after Easter and we are still enjoying the glow of our Lord's resurrection.

<i>Kridos Haryav ee Merrelotz!</i>	<i>Orhnyal eh Harootiunn Krisdosee!</i>
<i>Christ is Risen from the dead!</i>	<i>Blessed is the Resurrection of Christ!</i>

Hokehankisd – Page 56 of the Divine Liturgy Book

Requiem Service (*Hokehankisd*) will be offered this morning for the repose of souls of:

- *The Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide*
- *Mary Demirjian – 2nd Year Anniversary*
requested by J. Gerald Demirjian & Family

Fellowship Hour

Following church services, the “Blessing of *Madagh*” prepared by Levon Demirjian and assisted by members of the Women’s Guild will take place in the cultural hall. The *Madagh* will be served for the peace and rest of the souls of innocent Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide.

In memory of *Mary Demirjian*, family members and friends will host today’s sweet table.

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:

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

Special Prayers

Let us offer our prayers for the good health of the following:

- *Isabell Nahabedian* } requested by Violet Koresian &
1227 Fischer Dr., Addison, IL } May Nahabedian
- *Dr. Hovanes Sahagian* } requested by Dr. & Mrs. Vahe Karachorlu

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. (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»Ö³Ü ²ëĩáöĺáŪ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

“The Light of St. Gregory”

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

New Arrival

Congratulations to *Hovsep and Gayanne Utas* on the birth of a son, *Sarkis Frederick Utas, April 19, 2009*. Mother and baby are doing fine. Congratulations also to grandmother, Takouhi and Uncle Sarkis Utas.

Holy Baptism

We extend our congratulations to Kara (nee Demirjian) and Mark Huss on the baptism of their daughter, *Caroline Mary Huss*, on Saturday, April 25, 2009. Godparents: Richard Demirjian and Michelle Messner. Congratulations also to the Demirjian and Huss Families. May *Caroline Mary* be showered with all the blessings of God’s love.

Intensive Study on “must know” topics

A five session intensive study on “must know” topics in the Armenian Church will be led by Fr. Aren Jebejian. These sessions will be held on Mondays, May 4, 11 & 18 and June 1 & 8 from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. with subject topics that will enhance the knowledge of attending participants. Please mark these dates on your calendar and make every effort to attend these sessions. Come with family members and friends. Refreshments will be served.

Women’s Guild

The Guild’s monthly business meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m. New members are welcome to join and participate in the programs and activities of the Women’s Guild.

It’s not too late to sign up for the Amtrak trip to Springfield scheduled for Friday, May 8th to visit the new Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and many other sites. To make a reservations, please call Charlotte Bader, 773/327-1713 773/718-1713. Flyers with detailed information are placed in the church vestibule.

34th Annual Armenian Fest

The next meeting for the 34th Annual Armenian Fest will be held on Wednesday, May 27 at 8:00 p.m. The support and help of all who are able to give of their time is needed. Please, contact Chairpersons, Craig Koresian 773/631-4786 or Armen Zakarian 847-253-6669.