

Winter Fest Meeting

The **First Annual Winter Armenian Fest** will take place in the cultural hall on Saturday, January 16, 2010. In preparation for this historic event, our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 17 at 8:00 p.m. We ask that you bring your participation to this first meeting as all helping hands are needed.

2009 Annual Appeal

His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate, cordially invites all parishioners to attend the 2009 Annual Appeal Cocktail Reception on Sunday, November 15, 2009 from 4 to 6pm at NAHA Restaurant, 500 North Clark Street, Chicago. Guest Speaker will be Jennifer Morris, Coordinator, Diocesan Youth Outreach. Please RSVP with church office.

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 will be attending the 2009 General Assembly of National Council of Churches of Christ in Minneapolis, MN from November 9th to November 13th.

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Worship Hours

Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

Eight Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, November 15 – 2009 Archbishop's Appeal – NAHA Restaurant
All are welcome.
- Tuesday, November 16 – First Meeting of Winter Fest 2010
- Thursday, November 19 – Catechism - Part II – Pious Customs and Traditions
Unique to the Armenian Church and Culture
- Sunday, November 22 – Women's Guild Bake Sale
- Monday, November 23 – Bible Study – 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, November 26 – THANKSGIVING
- Saturday, November 28 – Sushi Dance Ensemble
- Friday, Saturday &
Sunday, December 4-6 – St. Nersess Seminary Weekend
- Sunday, December 6 – Nairi Choir Christmas Party at Costa's
- Sunday, December 13 – Children's Sermon
- Monday, December 14 – Bible Study – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 15 – Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, December 20 – Women's Guild Monthly Meeting – Cookie Exchange

2010

- Sunday, January 10, Women's Guild Annual Christmas Dinner
- Sunday, January 17, First Annual Winter Fest 2010
- Sunday, January 30, 2010, Annual Parish Assembly

Church Attendance November 1: 65

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian
Pastor
November 8, 2009

Lections: The Epistle Reading:
The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians – 5:15-33 – Page 177
The Gospel According to Luke 8:49-56– Page 62
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

We cordially welcome all who have come today to worship our Creator. As we near the end of celebrating the feasts of the Cross, let us remember that Jesus Christ died on the cross so that we would have eternal life. As Armenian Christians we should never forget the powerful meaning of the Cross in our daily lives.

Fellowship Hour

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the Fellowship Hour hosted by ***Sunday School and Parents.***

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>Anthony Acquarulo</i>	<i>Fr. Vahram Hazarian</i>	<i>Tracy 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>

Special Prayers

Let us offer our prayers for the good health of ***Takouhi Kazarian*** who is hospitalized at Loyola Hospital.

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)

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»Õ³Ô ²ëĩáóĺáŰ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

“The Light of St. Gregory”

Our thanks to ***Raelene Ohanesian*** for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the “**Light of St. Gregory**” illuminated for the month of **November.**

Women’s Guild

At the November 1st Meeting the following members were elected as the new officers for the 2010 year. Chairman: Raelene Ohanesian, Vice Chairman: Silva Karachorlu, Recording Secretary: Diane Abezetian, Corresponding Secretary: Victoria Kaprelian, Treasurer, Nancy Berberian and Asst. Treasurer: Violet Koresian. It was a very productive meeting and we look forward to a productive year. The next meeting will be on Sunday, December 20 with a Cookie Exchange.

Many of the members are in Philadelphia this weekend for the Women’s Guild Central Council Symposium and will have a guided tour of the Arshile Gorky Exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. We’ll be most anxious to hear of their trip.

On November 15th following church service, the Guild will sponsor a “Pot Luck” to Benefit the Children of the late Fr. Haroutiun and Yn. Patricia Dagley. All are invited to attend and are asked to be generous in your offering. Checks should be made out to St. Gregory and one check will be sent on behalf of our church.

Sunday School – Children’s Sermon

Today is **Children’s Sermon Sunday**, and you can be sure that Fr. Aren will make it most interesting for all attending children.

Today, the boys and girls of Sunday School will have active roles and responsibilities throughout the *Badarak*.

Bible Study

The next Bible Study is scheduled for Monday, November 23rd. Classes are led by **Fr. Aren Jebejian**. All are welcome to attend.

Catechism Series

Part II of the “**Pious Customs and Traditions Unique to the Armenian Church and Culture**” will be presented by **Fr. Aren** on Thursday, November 19th. Admission is Free. Come with your family members and friends.

Nairi Choir

The **Armenian Dance Workshop**, with **Tom Bozgian** of Los Angeles, will continue this afternoon with a wrap-up Dance Session and Party from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Yesterday, Tom did a wonderful job working with the Youth Dance Session and the Adult Dance Session. We thank the Nairi Choir of St. Gregory for sponsoring this worthwhile workshop. Today’s Admission: Youth: \$10 – Adults: \$15.

Membership Dues for the Year 2009

Believe it or not, 2009 is quickly coming to an end. The 2009 Parish Assembly will be held on January 30, 2010 and all registered members of St. Gregory are asked to pay their 2009 membership dues 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.

