

The next Bible Study is scheduled for Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. 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 19<sup>th</sup>. Admission is Free. Come with your family members and friends.

### Nairi Choir

Not to be missed! An **Armenian Dance Workshop**, sponsored by the Nairi Choir of St. Gregory, will be held on the weekend of November 7-8, 2009 with **Tom Bozgian** of Los Angeles. Tom is internationally recognized as a specialist of Armenian Dance, Music, Choreography and Folklore. On Saturday, November 7 there will be a Youth Dance Session (up to 18 years old) from 3:00 to 5:30 pm and an Adult Dance Session from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. On Sunday, November 8 it will be a wrap-up Dance Session and Party from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Admission: Youth: \$10 per session – Adults: \$15 per session or \$20 for both adult sessions. For more information, please call Michelle Babikian at 847.715.9402 or Dorothy Koresian at 773.774.3269 or [www.stgregorychicago.com](http://www.stgregorychicago.com).

### 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**. 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.,**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
**St. George Armenian Church**  
**Waukegan, Illinois**

### Calendar of Events

**Sunday, November 1 – Women’s Guild Meeting – 1:00 p.m.**

### ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR ARMENIAN CHURCH

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### Today’s Worship Hours

**Morning Service – 9:30 a.m.**  
**Divine Liturgy – 10:00 a.m.**

*FEAST OF THE DISCOVERY  
OF THE HOLY CROSS*

*Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian*  
*Pastor*  
*October 25, 2009*

<b>Lections:</b>	<b>The Epistle Reading:</b> <i>The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians – 1:18-24 – Page 151</i> <i>The Gospel According to Matthew – 24:27-36 – Page 25</i>
<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Epistle:</b> Arnold Koresian <b>Gospel:</b> Michelle Babikian
<b>Greeter:</b>	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 to all who have come to worship with us today as we celebrate the *Discovery of the Holy Cross (Kude Khach)*. This the last feast in the Armenian Church calendar dedicated to the Cross of Christ. Empress Helena, the mother of Constantine, searched for the three crosses of Golgotha – the Cross of Christ and the two on which the thieves hung. . After many years, the three crosses were found in a rubble heap in Jerusalem. When the body of a young man was taken from a passing funeral procession and placed before each cross, the man miraculously came to life on what was thereafter designated as the One True Cross. Finding the cross is sufficient but it is essential that we find and carry the cross within us, in our hearts and souls. The symbol of the cross in our daily lives supports us with its miraculous power.

### **Hokehankisd – Page 56 of the Divine Liturgy Book**

- *Ashod Mardirossian, Dilljan, Armenia – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Anniversary* requested by Alexandra, Violetta, Ilona and Mike Shakhnazarova
- *John Paklaian – 46 years*
- *Rose Paklaian – 30 years* requested by Roy and Cynthia (nee Paklaian) Panthier and children, Cindy, Maria, Alisha and Roy Jr.
- *Mary Kerridan – 1<sup>st</sup> year Anniversary* requested by her daughter Ayda Marewa and family members.

### **Fellowship Hour**

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the Fellowship Hour hosted by the *Shakhnazarova Family* and the Panthier Families memory of their loved one.

### **Altar Flowers**

Today's altar flowers are presented to the greater glory of God by *Shakhnazarova Family* and the *Panthier Family* in memory of their loved ones.

### **Special Prayers**

Special birthday prayers are requested by the Koresian Family for *Mary Hagopian* who is celebrating her *92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday* today. Added wishes for good health and a lifetime of happiness. *Happy Birthday Aunt Mary!*

### **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>

*Julie Ashikian, CT*  
*Margaret Cholakian, CA*  
*Eleanor Chavarrio*  
*Agnes Eghoian*  
*Jacob Hagopian*

*Benjamin Manoyan*  
*Jack Najarian Mendell, CA*  
*Virginia Nazlaian*  
*Harry Paloian*  
*Heghna (Helen) Paloian*  
*Marilyn Reibel*

*Harry Seraydarian*  
*Sister Janet*  
*Mary Sommese*  
*Sam Sommese*  
*Julie Tarpinian*  
*Pam Vilches*

### **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: **Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetzav**  
(Christ is revealed among us.)

The person receiving the greeting responds: **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 ²ëïáóíáÜ (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.**

### **Engagement**

Congratulations and Best Wishes to *Janet Paloian and Rob Reimer* on their recent engagement. Janet is the daughter of Garabet and Janet Paloian and granddaughter of the late Vartan and Saroog Paloian.

### **Condolences**

Our condolences to Steve Tootooian and Sue Volkman on the death of their sister *Elizabeth Tootooian Warren, Tulsa, Oklahoma* on October 22, 2009. Elizabeth was also the sister of the late Bill Tootooian. We also convey our condolences to family members, many nieces and nephews. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

### **Women's Guild**

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> following the Fellowship Hour. wherein the Nominating Committee will present their slate for the election of new officers. The Women's Guild Central Council Symposium will be held on the weekend of November 6-7, 2009 in Philadelphia. Guild members of St. Gregory, St. James and Sts. Joachim and Anna will participate which included a guided tour of the Arshile Gorky Exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

### **Sunday School**

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

### **Bible Study**

**A.C.Y.O.C. A. Meeting**

- Tuesday, November 3** – Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 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** – Children’s Sermon  
– 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, November 15** – 2009 Archbishop’s Appeal – NAHA RESTAURANT  
(All are welcome)
- 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.

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**Sunday, January 24, 2010, Annual Parish Assembly**

**Church Attendance October 18: 100**

