<u>Calendar of Events</u> 2010

Tuesday, January 5	of our Lord Jesus Christ – 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 6	 Armenian Christmas Day - Feast of the Nativity and Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ – 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 10	 Feast of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ Sunday School Christmas Pageant - 10:00 a.m. Women's Guild Annual Christmas Dinner
Monday, January 11	- Remembrance of the Deceased "Merelotz" 11:00 a.m.
Saturday, January 16	- First Annual Winter Party 2010 3-11pm
Sunday, January 24	 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 4:00 pm Church of Wilmette 1020 Forest Avenue Wilmette, IL 60091
Saturday, January 30	- Regional Sunday School Teachers Conference
Sunday, January 31	- Annual Parish Assembly

Church Attendance December 27: 45

Saturday, February 13 - Poon Parigentan Dance

ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR ARMENIAN CHURCH

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Worship Hours

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

Seventh Sunday Of Advent

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian Pastor January 3, 2010 **Lections: The Epistle Reading:**

The Letter to the Hebrews 13:18-25 - Page 205
The Gospel According to Luke 22:24-30 - Page 79

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

It is gratifying to welcome all who have come to worship the Lord today on this **Seventh Sunday of Advent.** As we come to the end of Advent, let our thoughts and prayers be with the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Fellowship Hour

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the Fellowship Hour hosted by Rose Tootooian on behalf of the Women's Guild.

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:

Anthony Acquarulo Shnorik Hitik Tracy Russo **Betty Alberts** Dr. Hovhanes Sahagian George Kazarian David Alloian Takouhi Kazarian Alvce Schaffer Grace Klujian Lisa Schaffer Virginia Andrews Harry Seraydarian Julie Ashikian, CT Benjamin Manoyan Margaret Cholakian, CA Jack Najarian Mendell, CA Sam Sommese Eleanor Chavarrio Virginia Nazlaian Julie Tarpinian Hovsep Utas Agnes Eghoian Heghna (Helen) Paloian Jacob Hagopian Marilyn Reibel Nancy Weiss

Fr. Vahram Hazarian

Special Prayers

Our prayers are requested for the good health of *Danny Wallace* by the Dulkadir Family.

Prayers 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 – ػճÛ ²ëïáõÍáÛ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

"The Light of St. Gregory"

Our thanks to *Babikian Family* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the "Light of St. Gregory" illuminated for the month of *January*

Women's Guild

Following church services on Sunday, January 10, 2010, the Annual Christmas Luncheon sponsored by the Women's Guild will be held. Please, remember to call for reservations **before January 6, 2010**.

The next meeting will be held on January 24, 2010. All women of the church are invited to attend Guild meetings and participate in the programs offered.

Winter Party Meeting

All seems to be falling in place for the 1st Annual Winter Fest which will be held on Saturday, January 16 from 3-11p.m. This event promises to be a family fun night for all. If you would like to volunteer to help make this event a success, please contact Garrick or Diane Abezetian - 847-692-5272.

Membership Dues for the Year 2009

In order to be eligible to be a voting member of the Annual Parish Assembly of 2010 of our church, the 2009 membership dues of all registered members of St. Gregory must be paid by December 31, 2009. New members must register and pay their dues by June 30, 2010. Dues are \$125.00 for members 65 and under and \$75 for senior citizens and full-time college students.

Nairi Choir Gift and Booktique

If you need that special gift for any occasion, stop by the **Nairi Choir Booktique**. Whether it's a CD, cassette, video, music tapes, and books for young and old as well as beautiful assorted gifts, it's available. The **Booktique** is open today and every Sunday following church services in the large hall.

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 <u>least three months ahead</u>. 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 – 5:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian St. Gregory Sunday School Students and Staff Charlotte Markarian Bader Chuck, Seta, Charles & Sarah Babikian Nishan and Helen Babikian Michelle Babikian Philip and Mary Battle, Cary, N. C. Kay Berberian Nick, Nancy & Mark Berberian Mike & Sandy Bower Jack & Glenna Cholakían Annette & Chuck Frankian Ray & Rita Gallivan Jacob & Louise Hagopian Ida C. Hesotian Robert & Victoria Kaprelian Dr. & Mrs. Vahe Karachorlu

Berj Karachorlu

Susu & Mat Klujian

Rhonda Kodjayan

Arnold & Dorothy Koresian

Craig Koresian

Violet Koresian

George & Pauline Nahabedian

Charles & Janet Paloian

Harry & Shirley Paloian

Marty & Gerí Paloían

Robert & Sylvia Raubolt, Bonita Springs, FL

Alyce, Bert, Lisa & Michael Schaffer

Lincoln and Grace Tamraz

Rose Tootooian

Michael Tootooian

Gregory Tootooian

Agnes Vartabedian

Armen & Linda Zakarian