St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church

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Schedule of Services: Morning Services 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy 10:30 am

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian Pastor

Sunday, January 24, 2010

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE OCTAVE OF THEOPHANY

<u>Lections:</u> The Epistle Reading:

The First Letter of Paul to Timothy 2-25-26 — Page 189
The Gospel According to John 6-15-21 — Page 89
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 happily welcome all who have come to worship the Lord today. During this week churches across the world will be praying for Christian unity. Let us also pray for union with our brothers and sisters in Christ filled with joy and love in our hearts.

<u>Hokehankisd – Page 56 of the Divine Liturgy Book</u>

Requiem Service will be offered this morning for the repose of the soul of:

• Mary Byloz (Bylozian)

Altar Flowers

Readers:

The flowers adorning the altar today are presented to the glory of God by the Parish Council in memory of *Mary Byloz (Bylozian.)*

Fellowship Hour

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the *Fellowship Hour hosted by Silva Karachorlu on behalf of the Women's Guild*

<u>Prayers for the Sick (Der Voghormia) – Page 45 of the Divine Liturgy Book</u>

Let us remember 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 Alvce Schaffer Grace Klujian Virginia Andrews Lisa Schaffer Julie Ashikian, CT Benjamin Manoyan Harry Seraydarian Margaret Cholakian, CA Jack Najarian Mendell, CA Sam Sommese Eleanor Chavarrio Virginia Nazlaian Julie Tarpinian Agnes Eghoian Heghna (Helen) Paloian Hovsep Utas Jacob Hagopian Marilyn Reibel Danny Wallace Nancy Weiss

Prayer Request

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.

Orhynal eh haydnootiunn Krisdosee.

(Christ is revealed among us)

(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 ²ëïáõĺáÛ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

"The Light of St. Gregory"

Our thanks to the *Babikian Family* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the "Light of St. Gregory" illuminated for the month of *January in memory of Garabed and Vartouhi DerMinassian and Hampartzoum and Begheghia Babikian*.

Mary Byloz Endowment Fund

In accordance with the terms of the *Mary Byloz Endowment Fund of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church*, the Trustees of the Fund are pleased to report that they distributed \$13,732.38 for Educational purposes and \$7,550.00 for Needy purposes for a total approved distribution in 2009 of \$21,282.38.

Haiti Earthquake Relief

Armenians throughout the world are deeply saddened to learn of the catastrophic earthquake that struck **Haiti.** The Fund for Armenian Relief (FAR), a humanitarian aid group reports that "the earthquake in **Haiti** is as bad as the one in 1988 in Armenia." Helping **Haiti** has now become a priority of all organizations. In our efforts to join **for Haiti relief**, on Sunday, January 31, a special plate will be passed for donations to help the victims.

Women's Guild

Following the Fellowship Hour, the Women's Guild will meet in the small hall for their monthly meeting. All women of the church are welcome to join and participate in the meetings.

ACYOA Senior Meeting

Following church services, the ACYOA Seniors will meet for their monthly meeting.

Ecumenical Celebration

In observance of the **2009** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the 10th Annual Chicagoland Ecumenical Prayer Service will be held this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. at the Church of Wilmette, 1020 Forest Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. A reception will follow the service. All are invited to attend.

Adult Bible Study classes will be forthcoming.

Home Blessings

Every Armenian family is encouraged to have their home blessed. Home Blessing is a meaningful religious service that brings the entire family together in oneness and holiness, and blesses them. It is customary to have the pastor make home visitations during the 40 days after Christmas and Easter. If you wish to have your home blessed during Christmastide or at a later date, please call Fr. Aren to make arrangements.

Super Bowl XLIV Party

Don't miss this exciting event sponsored by the *ACYOA Seniors*. Donation is \$20 – All you can eat and drank; Large Screen TV to Watch the Game, Kids 13-17 years \$15; Kids 13 years and younger are FREE; seniors (65 and older); \$15.00. Square for pools not included. If you are interested in buying a square at \$20, please call Arden Karian, 847/205-5105.

2010 Annual Parish Assembly

The Annual Parish Assembly of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church will be held on Sunday, January 31, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Both dues-paying and non-dues paying members are welcome to attend and participate.

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. <u>All Sacraments must be arranged at 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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, January 30 Regional Sunday School Teachers Conference St. James Armenian Church, Evanston, IL

Sunday, January 31...... Annual Parish Assembly – 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 5......Super Bowl XLIV – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 13......Poon Paregentan Dinner/Dance 7:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Crystal Palace Banquets 1070 S. Elmhurst Rd. Mt. Prospect, IL

Monday, February 15.....Lent begins

Tuesday, February 16.....Parish Council Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

Church Attendance January 17: 55