Calendar of Events

Tuesday, September 8 – Wrap-up Meeting – 34th Annual Armenian Fest

Thursday, September 10 – Women's Guild Meeting – 7:30 pm

Sunday, September 13 - FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

- Opening Day of Sunday School

Sunday, September 27 - Feast of the Holy Cross of Varak

Sunday, October 18 – 45th Anniversary of the Consecration of

St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church

Sunday, October 25 – Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross

- 50th Anniversary of St. George Armenian Church, Waukegan, IL

2008 Midwest Armenian Church Picnics

Today Sunday, August 23

St. George Armenian Church 1015 McAree Waukegan, IL

Sunday, August 30

St. James Armenian Church TASTE OF ARMENIA FESTIVAL 816 Clark Street Evanston, IL Noon to 6:00 p.m.

ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR ARMENIAN CHURCH

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Summer Worship Hours Morning Service – 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy – 10:00 a.m.

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First Sunday after the Assumption of the Holy Mother-of-God

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejían Pastor

August 23, 2009

Lections: The Epistle Reading:

The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 6:16-7:1 – Page 166

The Gospel According to Luke1:39-56- Pages 51-52

Readers: Epistle: Arnold Koresian Gospel: Michelle Babikian

Greeter: Harry Paloian

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

<u>Please</u>, wait in the vestibule until such time when it is proper to enter the Sanctuary. Welcome to Parishioners and Friends

May all who have come to worship know that they're sincerely welcomed in this house of God. Soon, summer will become a faint memory and autumn will be approaching. In a spirit of love and friendship, let us continue to give special attention to God by attending church during the few remaining Sundays of summer.

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.*

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	Jacob Hagopian	Marilyn Reibel
Virginia Andrews	Fr.Vahram Hazarian	Tracy Russo
Fran Annoreno	Shnorik Hitik	Dr. Hovanes Sahagian
Julie Ashikian, CT	George Kazarian	Alyce Schaffer
Jim Bottala	Marge Kazarian	Lisa Schaffer
Margaret Cholakian, CA	Grace Klujian	Harry Seraydarian
Yn. Patricia Dagley, OH	Benjamin Manoyan	Sister Janet
Eleanor Chavarrio	Josh Najarian Mendell, CA	Sam Sommese
Levon Demerdjian	Virginia Nazlaian	Julie Tarpinian
Agnes Eghoian	Harry Paloian	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:

The person receiving the greeting responds.

Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetzav Ohrnyal 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 ²ëïáõláÛ (Megha Asdoodzo)

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

"The Light of St. Gregory"

Our thanks to *Mary Dadian* for taking the responsibility for the cost of keeping the "Light of St. Gregory" illuminated for the month of **August in loving memory of John** (Garo) Dadian, Jr.

A Pilgrimage to New York

The parish of St. Gregory Armenian Church has organized a pilgrimage to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the consecration of St. Vartan Cathedral, New York, NY from Friday, September 18th to Sunday, September 20th. Total Cost is \$625 per person based on double occupancy and includes round trip air from Chicago O'Hare to LaGuardia, two nights stay at the Marriott Marquis in Times Square, round trip air transfers and a tour of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at St. Vartan Cathedral on Sunday, September 20th by Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian. For reservations, call Craig Koresian at (312) 206-4526 or Pauline Nahabedian (847) 329-3015 no later than August 24th. Flyers are placed in the church vestibule.

Sunday School

The 2009-2010 Sunday School year registration for September 13th has begun and classes are set for another terrific year. Registration packets giving all information are placed in the church vestibule.

34th Annual Armenian Fest

It was great! All "fest" committee members and volunteers are invited to attend the wrap-up meeting on Thursday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. If anyone has any outstanding money to collect or turn in along with bills that need to be paid, please turn them in to Dawn Zakarian by Tuesday, September 1, 2009. A report and an up-to-date financial statement will be distributed at this meeting.

Women's Guild

Be sure to mark your calendars for the next meeting schedule for Thursday, September 10th. New members are always welcome to join the Women's Guild.

Address Book Form

Hurry! The deadline for the Parish Directory is **September 8, 2009**. This is a project that Diane Abezetian of the Women's Guild has undertaken (on behalf of the Parish Council) and she is anxious to get started creating a parish directory containing parishioners' names, addresses, telephone number and e-mail addresses for use by parishioners and friends of St. Gregory. In today's world, e-mail has become an effective, fast and less expensive way of communicating. This system will make it a more convenient in expediting our communication with all of you. While we appreciate all who responded to our appeal, there are still others who could send us their e-mail addresses. **We would be grateful if you all would respond without delay.** Extra forms 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.

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