#### Winter Fest Meeting

The **First Winter Fest Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, November 17 at 8:00 p.m. We ask that you be part of this historic event and bring your participation to this first meeting. 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 this afternoon from 4 to 6pm at the NAHA Restaurant, 500 North Clark Street, Chicago. Guest Speaker will be Jennifer Morris, Coordinator, and Diocesan Youth Outreach. If unable to attend, please leave your donations with the 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 with Archbishop Khajag Barsamian on Monday and will be in New York on Wednesday for the monthly Diocesan Council meeting.

# Calendar of Events

Tuesday, November 17 - First Meeting of Winter Fest 2010

Thursday, November 19 - Catechism - Part II - Pious Customs and Traditions

Unique to the Armenian Church and Culture

Saturday, November 21 – Discussion on protocols recently signed by the

Governments of Armenia and Turkey

**AGBU Onnig Norehad Center** 

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 - Shushi 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

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Sunday, January 10 – Women's Guild Annual Christmas Dinner

Saturday, January 16 – First Annual Winter Fest 2010 Sunday, January 31 – Annual Parish Assembly

**Church Attendance November 8: 75** 

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# **Worship Hours**

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

Ninth Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian Pastor November 15, 2009 **Lections:** The Epistle Reading:

The Letter of Paul to the Philippians 1:1-11 - Page 178
The Gospel According to Luke 9:44-50 - Page 64

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. We are at the end of celebrating the feasts of the Cross and will enter the beginning of Advent. Let us now begin to spiritually prepare ourselves for the celebration of Christ's birth.

# **Altar Flowers**

The flowers adorning the altar this morning are presented to the greater glory of God in memory of *John Garo Dadian for his*  $62^{nd}$  *birthday by Mary Dadian*.

# **Fellowship Hour**

Following church services, all are cordially invited to attend the Fellowship Hour hosted by Women's Guild for the benefit of the *children of the late Rev. Fr. Haroutiun and Yn. Patricia Dagley, Sona and Sarkis.* 

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

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	Fr. Vahram Hazarian	Tracy Russo
Betty Alberts	Shnorik Hitik	Dr. Hovhanes Sahagian
David Alloian	George Kazarian	Alyce Schaffer
Virginia Andrews	Grace Klujian	Lisa Schaffer
Julie Ashikian, CT	Benjamin Manoyan	Harry Seraydarian
Margaret Cholakian, CA	Jack Najarian Mendell, CA	Sister Janet
Eleanor Chavarrio	Virginia Nazlaian	Sam Sommese
Agnes Eghoian	Harry Paloian	Julie Tarpinian
Jacob Hagopian	Heghna (Helen) Paloian	Pam Vilches
	Marilyn Reibel	

#### **Special Prayers**

Let us also pray for the good health of Takouhi Kazarian and Nancy Weiss.

## **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 – ػճÛ ²ëïáõÍáÛ (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.

## Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathies to *the Sommese and Mrofcza Families* for the death of *Mary Sommese* on November 9, 2009. Funeral Services were held on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church. Interment: Mt. Olive Cemetery. At the family's request, In Lieu of Flowers Donations may be made to St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church or to PAWS Chicago. May God rest her soul in His Heavenly Kingdom.

# Women's Guild

Today the Guild is sponsoring a "Pot Luck" for the benefit of the children of the late Fr. Haroutiun and Yn. Patricia Dagley. All are invited to attend and donations will be sent to the Dagley Family (Children) Memorial Fund. Checks should be made out to St. Gregory and one check will be sent on behalf of our church..

The next meeting will be on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> with a Cookie Exchange. Bake your favorite cookie and go home with a variety.

#### **Bake Days**

Get ready for the Bake Sale on November 22! Lamajoun baking will take place on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Levon Demerdjian will have a Keyma Luncheon ready for all who come to help with the making of lamajouns. How about that!

# **Catechism Series**

Let's not forget to attend Part II of the "Pious Customs and Traditions Unique to the Armenian church and Culture presented by *Fr. Aren* on Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Admission is Free. Come with your family members and friends.

#### **Bible Study**

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

# 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.