

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Sunday of the World Church (Green Sunday)
April 14, 2024

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Acts 9:23-31

1 Peter 2:1-10

John 2:23-3:12

“God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life” John 3:16

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We welcome GOMIDAS CHOIR's participation in our badarak today.



Please remember our motherland Armenia & our refugee
Brothers & sisters of Artsakh in your prayers



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HOKEHANKISD

† Greg & Betty (Bettinger) Ajamian request Hokehankisd for the souls of **Joseph H. Bettinger**, *father, grandfather* on the occasion of the 34 years of passing into eternal rest and for **Maria R Bettinger**, *mother, grandmother*, on the occasion of 27 years of passing into eternal rest, and for **Joseph G Bettinger**, *brother, uncle* on the occasion of the 2nd year of passing into eternal rest and for **Maria T (Montchal) Bettinger**, *sister, aunt* on 24 years of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated toward the altar candles and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

† Paul Karoyan & family request Hokehankisd for the soul of *beloved aunt*, **Zaruhi Garoyan**, on the occasion of the 40th day (Karasoonk) of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated toward the altar candles and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

† Bert, Rosemary, Steven, and Jennifer Bedrosian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Siroon Harootunian**, *beloved mother, grandmother*, on the occasion of her 24th year of passing into eternal rest, and also for the soul of **Hagop Harootunian**, *beloved father, & grandfather*, on the occasion of *his* 55th year of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

† Emma Avakyan & family, Inesa Badalyan & family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Vladislav Avakyan** *beloved brother & uncle*, on the occasion of the 40th day (Karasoonk) of passing into eternal rest. Also, for the souls of **Unan Avakyan**, & **Raisa Avakyan** *beloved parents & grandparents* on passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

† Artur and Talin Canciyan request Hokehankist for the soul of **Bogos Canciyan** *loving father* on the occasion of the 40th day (Karasonk) of his passing into eternal rest. Also, for the souls of **Zivart Canciyan** on the occasion of the 8th year of her passing on April 14th, **Aznif & Arusyak Canciyan, Garabed and Gulizar Choreckjian, Harutyun Choreckjian, Hirant & Irma Toshikyan, Stepan & Zaruhi Makinajian, Belkiz Melekset-Makinajian,** and **Alice Melekset** of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated toward the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

† Mr & Mrs Ara & Maral Minasyan and Natalie Minasyan request Hokehankisd for the souls of **Hrant Minasyan**, *loving father, grandfather*, **Rosa Minasyan**, *loving mother, grandmother*, **Vahram Minasyan**, *loving brother, uncle, and for* **Mqrdoch Kaprielian**, *loving father, grandfather* on passing into eternal rest. The family has donated toward the altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

Hokehankisd Request Deadline:

Hokehankisd requests must be submitted by noon on Thursdays so that it can appear in that week's Sunday bulletin. Please be mindful that a standard word format is used to maintain non-preferential consistency in the allotted printing space. Include contact information when leaving a message with your submissions.

✝ PRAYER FOR REQUIEM- HOKEHANKISD

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
O Christ, Son of God, forbearing and compassionate, have compassion, in your love as our creator, upon the souls of your servants who are at rest, especially upon the souls of your servants (names), for whom we are offering these prayers. Be mindful of them on the great day of the coming of your kingdom. Make them worthy of mercy, of expiation and forgiveness of sins. Glorify them and reckon them with the company of your saints at your right hand. For you are the Lord and creator of all, judge of the living and of the dead. And to you is befitting glory, dominion, and honor, now and forever, and unto the ages of ages.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of,

(Kindly assist with updating the prayer list by notifying the church office of any changes).

Aleksan Aristakesian, Felicia Asomani, James Azarian, Mosses Bairamian, Hana Botie, Zoe Brooks, Frank Cornacchiulo, Jerry DiSanti, Julie Frattarola, Varoujan Harutunian, Lusine Hovsepyan, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Annette Kucukshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Sara Malajian, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebu Oscherician, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tenguerian, Greg Tenbekjian, Clara Yeramian.

We commit our sick and shut-ins to our Heavenly Father
who cares and watches over all His children.

"I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

Church Etiquette

Reverence Required

Please refrain from entering the pews when the following parts of the *Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak)* are taking place.

Kindly, stand in the back of the church until these parts have ended.

The parish council members will be happy to assist you.

1. Chanting of the Gospel, pg. 17
2. Recitation of the Creed (Havadamk), pg.18
3. Chalice Procession, pg. 24-25
4. Intonation by the Priest, pg. 31
5. Vorti Asdoodzo pg. 33
6. Hayr Mer, pg. 41
7. Hymn, "Der Voghormya," pg. 42-45
8. Holy Communion, pg. 49.

1. Also, please **do not** chew gum, cross legs, nor stretch arms over back pews during church services.
2. Please observe the "arrows" in the liturgy books, they indicate when you should **Stand, Sit, or Kneel**.
3. For your convenience, liturgy book pages are indicated on the monitor located on the right side of the altar.



ՀԱՂՈՐԴԱԳՐՈՒԹՅՈՒՆ

Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսն ընդունեց «Դանիական-հայկական բարեգործական առաքելություն» ՀԿ անդամներին

Ապրիլի 10-ին Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում ընդունեց «Դանիական-հայկական բարեգործական առաքելություն» հասարակական կազմակերպության ատենապետ Հայր Մայքլ Թոմսենին և կազմակերպության հոգաբարձուների խորհրդի անդամներին՝ ուղեկցությամբ գործադիր տնօրեն Արշավիր Գաբուճյանի:

Տիար Գաբուճյանը ներկայացնելով խորհրդի անդամներին, ընդգծեց, որ կազմակերպության՝ Հայաստանում գործունեության 20-ամյակի առիթով այցելել են Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածին ստանալու Հայոց Հայարպետի օրհնությունը:

Այնուհետև Նորին Սրբությունն իր գնահատանքը բերեց բարեգործական կազմակերպության պատասխանատուներին Հայաստանում սոցիալական և կրթական ոլորտներում իրականացվող ծրագրերի համար:

Հայոց Հովվապետը գոհունակությամբ արձանագրեց, որ Մայր Աթոռի, հայաստանյան թեմերի և կազմակերպության

միջև հաստատված սերտ գործակցությունը նպաստում է նաև կիրակնօրյա դպրոցների արդյունավետ գործունեությանը:

Իր հերթին Հայր Մայքլ Թոմսենը Ամենայն Հայոց Հայրապետին ներկայացրեց թեմերի հետ համատեղ իրականացվող ծրագրերը՝ իր երախտագիտությունը հայտնելով Նորին Սրբության մշտական գորակցության և օրհնության համար:



Do you know what the writing above the altar says?



*It is written in classical Armenian and says,
“Love one another, because God is Love.”
("Seeretsek izmeemeeyanis, zee Asdvadz ser")*



Thank you to the Fair Lawn High School Transition Program students who typically fold & deliver our Sunday bulletins.



BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Call or e-mail Fr. Diran to receive a zoom invite to the Bible study group.

Synoptic Gospels: No. 37, 38, 39.

The Call of the Disciples-

Anytime Jesus calls someone to discipleship, He is calling them to himself, to follow Him, and to learn not only from Him, but to learn of Him the teachings of God.

Our Heavenly Father can choose anybody to serve Him regardless of his or her social status. God still calls people to serve him various capacities. The meaning of the “call” is bringing people back to God. God can intervene in people’s lives through miracles such as the catch of the fish.

As God’s children, we are called to work together as the fisherman. We see how Peter is astonished and afraid of how Jesus’s miracle produces a huge catch of fish. Jesus tells him that he will now become fishers of men. Jesus teaches in the Synagogue- Jesus’ life is supported by his preaching which affirms the power God, which left those around him to be amazed. The Healing of the Demonic in the Synagogue- A man is possessed by an unclean spirit and approaches Jesus in the Synagogue.

Our Lord begins this dialogue with this demon possessed man. Jesus shows that he has the power to call out the demon that has possessed this man. The demons are also afraid of our Lord and obey him.



Fundamental Teachings of the Armenian Church



The Seven Sacraments...

Baptism, Confirmation, Penance, Holy Communion,
Matrimony, Holy Orders, Unction with Oil (for the sick)

The Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy...

To instruct the ignorant,
To counsel the doubtful,
To exhort & convert sinners,
To comfort the sorrowing & afflicted,
To forgive offenses,
To suffer wrongs patiently,
To pray for others, living & dead.

The Four Cardinal Virtues...

Prudence, Justice, Temperance, Fortitude

The Four Notes of the True Church...

One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic

The Four Symbols of the Gospels...

St. Matthew- Angel St. Mark- Winged Lion,
St. Luke- Winged Ox St. John- Eagle

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit...

Wisdom & understanding,
Counsel & spiritual strength,
Knowledge & true godliness,
Holy fear of the Lord.

Church Campus Happenings...

Kiss of Peace: “Krisdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.”

(Christ is revealed among us.)

“Orhnyal e haydnootyoonun Krisdosi.”

(Blessed is the revelation of Christ.)

We need volunteers to perform the “Kiss of Peace” during Sunday Badarak. It’s a beautiful way to partake in our service. Please consider volunteering & call our church office if interested.

Armenian School:

All inquiries for purchasing opportunities of our lahmajun & sujuk fundraiser may be forwarded to Nora Balekji at 973-513-2507 or nbalekji@gmail.com.

*Pre-paid orders may be picked up in Abajian Hall on the designated day.

Sunday School:

SS runs from 10am -12pm, PreK through 11th grades. Click on the following link to register students; <https://bit.ly/3zLZoF6>. For further inquiries contact **Andrea Carden** at 201-264-2805, acarden56@gmail.com.

St. Leon’s Social Club:

Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at the elevator accessible, upper level of our **Youth Center**. We encourage you to bring a friend and spend an afternoon together! *Donation is \$3.*

Hope to see you there this week!

Coffee Hospitality:

Today’s hospitality is hosted by our [Sunday School](#).

Please join us, *after* badarak, for fellowship & coffee in Abajian Hall.

Please Note: All campus postings *must be pre-approved* by the church office. **All others will be removed.** No taping on glass or doors permitted. And *sorry*, no personal business promotions. Consider instead, inquiring about advertisement opportunities in our *Lradoo*.

ARMENIAN LINE DANCE WORKSHOP



Join us for an exciting evening learning steps to common line dances.

No experience? No problem! Just come to kefi!
This event is open to anyone 16 years or older.
Bring a friend!

Friday, April 12 & 26 and May 10 & May 31
at 6:30–7:30 in Dadekian Hall

Your \$5.00 donation per session will support programs at St. Leon Armenian School

For more information call/text:

Lena Guroian: 201.805.4138

Carolyn Melkonian: 551.404.3752



Holy Name Medical Center provides
**COMPLIMENTARY BLOOD PRESSURE
SCREENING at St. Leon**

Typically, every third Wednesday of each
month, **from 2-3pm.**

We need more participants for this service to
continue.

Please consider stopping by on our next
scheduled screening-



April 17th, 2024
(Mark your calendars)

It's a walk-in service, no appointment needed.
Feel free to call the church office
with any questions.
201-791-2862

Your heart will thank you!



39TH ANNUAL COMMEMORATION
COME JOIN US AND PROCLAIM:

I REMEMBER

THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

AND DEMAND
JUSTICE



COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAY
APRIL 13 - 1PM

ARMENIAN FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

309 MAIN STREET
FORT LEE, NJ
SPONSORED BY: ANC-NJ

SATURDAY
APRIL 20 - 4PM

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION

HUFF POND - MEMORIAL DRIVE
(THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE MEMORIAL)
MONTVALE, NJ
SPONSORED BY: ANC-NJ

MONDAY
APRIL 22 - 12:30PM

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION

BERGEN COUNTY
COURTHOUSE GREEN
10 MAIN STREET, HACKENSACK, NJ
SPONSORED BY:
KNIGHTS & DAUGHTERS OF VARTAN OF NJ

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 24 - 5PM

**MARCH FOR JUSTICE
END THE CYCLE OF GENOCIDE**

FROM: ST. ILLUMINATOR'S CATHEDRAL
(221 E. 27TH ST)
TO: TIMES SQUARE FOR SILENT PROTEST
SPONSORED BY:
AYF NY/NJ AND ANC NY/NJ

FREE BUS TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM TIMES SQUARE

NJ: LEO - 201-218-4058
ST LEON - FAIR LAWN, NJ
201-791-2862
ST VARTANANTZ - RIDGEBLVD, NJ
201-943-2950

NY: KARNIKM58@GMAIL.COM
ST SARKIS - DOUGLSTON, NY
718-224-2275
HOLY MARTYRS - BAYSIDE, NY
718-225-0235

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ARMENIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (AMAA) | TEKEYAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION (TCA)

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ARMENIAN SCHOOLS OF NY & NJ
ARMENIAN UNIVERSITY CLUBS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

AYF OF NY & NJ
HOMENETMEN SCOUTS
AGBU YPGNY
ACVOA
ARMENIAN NETWORK

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ARMENIANRADIONJ.NET
WSOU 89.5 FM



ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

WOMEN'S GUILD MILITARY BRIDGE



Thursday, April 25, 2024

Abajian Hall 7:00 PM

Donation \$10.00

Cards / Refreshments / 50/50 Raffle

No knowledge of cards necessary!

Come and enjoy a fun evening!

Make a table of 4 people or come alone and we will seat you

For reservation you can email chrischakmakian@gmail.com

Please make your check payable to
St. Leon Women's Guild and mail to:

Christine Badach

560 Eder Ave, Wyckoff, NJ 07481



ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

BINGO *NIGHT*

\$30 pp includes 2 game boards, pasta dinner, salad & dessert

10 & under - \$15 (dinner only) Under 3 - Free

Cash Bar

Additional Game Boards \$3 each

No Tickets Sold At Door - Your cashed check is your reservation

No Refunds

**SATURDAY
MAY 4**

DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM

GAME STARTS 7PM SHARP

FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

Susan Chamesian: susanchamesian@gmail.com or 201-704-1052

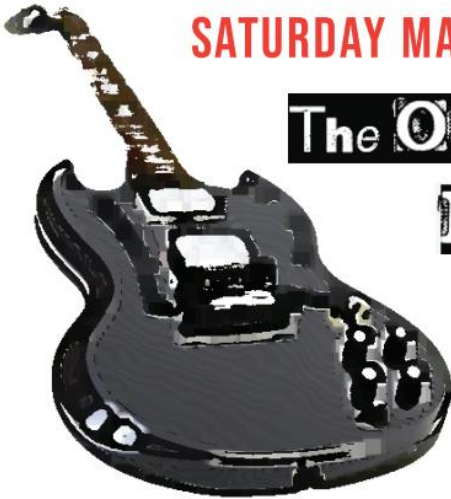
Email Preferred

Mail checks to: 694 William Bliss Drive New Milford, NJ 07646

Make checks payable to St. Leon Armenian Church

Rock the Night Away

SATURDAY MAY 11, 2024



The **ON THE**

LAM Band

Linda Berenson: Vocals
Paul Shahinian: Guitar and Vocals
Jim Bashian: Keyboard and Vocals
Gary Malajian: Bass
Dennis Walker: Drums
Mark Friedman: Saxophone
Vinnie Cutro: Trumpet

7pm-11:30pm at **ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH**
12-61 Saddle River Road, Fairlawn, NJ 07410

RSVP by May 3, 2024 ~ \$30 Per Person ~ No Walk-Ins ~ Cash Bar & Light Mezze

Please make check payable to "St. Leon Women's Guild"

RSVP to: Lisa Tartaglione, 370 Hasbrouck Blvd, Oradell NJ 07649
lisavirg2009@gmail.com



St. Leon Armenian Church

Paving the Way...Brick by Brick

Assist in paving the way to St. Leon Armenian Church's new education and recreation building. A common area at the entry to the building will consist of engraved bricks. This is a wonderful way to make your support of this facility permanently known. You may choose to have your name, the name of a child or grandchild, birthday, anniversary or graduation day, engraved on the brick. The possibilities are numerous and the help invaluable in meeting our goal of expanding our ministry by expanding our facilities.

There are two sizes to choose from in English and Armenian letters. Each donor will receive a certificate of ownership and the satisfaction of knowing that your support will help our St. Leon family continue to grow in faith in the Armenian Church well into the 21st century.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

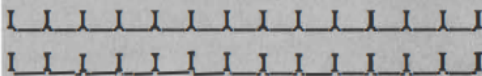
Commemorative Brick Purchase:

English Letters

_____ 4" x 8" Brick @ \$135.00

Maximum of two lines, 13 letters per line

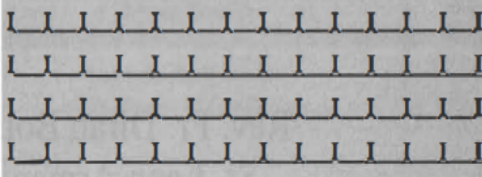
For 4" x 8" - engraving to read as follows: (please print clearly)



_____ 8" x 8" Brick @ \$250.00

Maximum of four lines, 13 letters per line

For 8" x 8" - engraving to read as follows: (please print clearly)



Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please return this form to:

Barbara Royland

44 Benson Avenue

Westwood, N.J. 07675

Email: hyemom@optonline.net

201-666-5735

Check payable to: St. Leon (Memo: Brick Campaign)

All donations are tax deductible.

St Leon Church Membership

How do we understand membership
in the Armenian Church?

By receiving the sacrament of baptism in the Armenian Church, we are all members. However, per the bylaws of our diocese, membership is further understood as those who annually pay dues to a specific parish.

A dues-paying member is one who takes responsibility for offering their service for the spiritual and financial growth of our parish and in the advancing our Diocesan Christian mission.

“The mission of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church is to preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and to proclaim its message of salvation. This mission is realized through worship, education, witness, service, and the common life in Christ as expressed in the distinctive faith-experience of the Armenian people.”

Further, dues-paying members are eligible to participate in the governance of our parish by voting at the Parish Assembly and may run for office in any of the executive bodies of the various organizations of the parish, including the Parish Council.

The St. Leon Parish Assembly has designated the following amounts as the required minimum dues for St. Leon Parish Membership. Please consider becoming a dues-paying member & contribute as generously as the Lord leads you.



*Individuals (18+): \$175

*Students (18-24): \$50

*Seniors (65+): \$100

**Applications will be supplied upon request.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Apr 14	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School Gomidas Choir joins our choir for Badarak
Wed	Apr 17	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	Apr 19	Armenian School- Genocide Commemoration Assembly
Sun	Apr 21	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School Genocide Commemoration at Times Square see flyer
Mon	Apr 22	Genocide Commemoration in Hackensack see flyer
Wed	Apr 24	CAMPUS CLOSED Feast of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide
Thur	Apr 25	WG Military Bridge see flyer
Fri	Apr 26	Armenian School Armenian Line Dance Workshop see flyer
Sun	Apr 28	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School
Wed	May 1	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	May 3	Armenian School
Sat	May 4	Bingo Night see flyer
Sun	May 5	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School
Wed	May 8	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	May 10	Armenian School
Sat	May 11	Rock the Night Away see flyer

Last Gospel is Mark 4:26:34

There are no wedding sacraments permitted on Palm Sunday (April 13,2025) nor on the five major feast days in the Armenian Church which are:

Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2025

Easter –April 20, 2025

Transfiguration – July 7, 2024

Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 18, 2024

Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 15, 2024

