ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH Sixth Sunday of Eastertide May 5, 2024

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



Readings from the Holy Scripture

Acts 20:17-38 1 John 3:2-6 John 9:39-10:10

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

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Thank you to the *Fair Lawn High School Transition Program* students who typically fold & deliver <u>these</u> Sunday bulletins.

HOKEHANKISD

Vartan & Rosamarie Baydar, Arpie & Ara Kahyaoglu, Sheila & Julian Mitchell, Caroline & William Nazarian, Valerie & Piero Barchi, Alex Baydar, & great-grandchildren of, request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Mehrup Baydar</u>, *beloved, mother grandmother, great-grandmother* on the 1st year anniversary 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 one.

Pilavdjian, Shenloogian and Kalfayan families request Hokehankisd for the soul of *Rosa Margarita Boghosian* beloved *sister, friend* on the occasion of *her 70th birthday*. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and requested that altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

Hasmig Demirjian, along with her daughters, Talin, Sevan and Tania and their families request Hokehankisd for the soul of *Grikor Demirjian*, beloved husband, father, and medzbaba on the occasion of the *40th day* (Karasoonk) of passing into eternal rest, and for the souls of his sisters, *Goharik Davidian* and *Arshalous Demirjian* of passing into eternal rest. The family has donated towards the altar flowers and requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved ones.

Avedis Dovletian, Diana & Gary Soultanian, Lisa (Dovletian)& Jaime Puntiel & grandchildren, Taline, Shant. Nayiri, Nathaniel, and siblings, Armine Mahdasian, Shakeh Khanjian, Alice Nazarian, John Khanjian, & Harout Khanjian & their families request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Seta Dovletian</u>, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister & aunt on the occasion of the 40^{th} day (Karasoonk) 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 one. ✤ Nazareth & Alice Nazarian, Natalie, Jack & Celiday & family, request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Seta Dovletian</u>, beloved sister, sister-in-law & aunt on the occasion of the 40th day (Karasoonk) 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 one.

Maida Garabedian, Taleen, Viken & Arden Banelian, & Arda Garabedian request Hokehankisd for the soul of <u>Arka Garabedian</u>, beloved *husband, father, grandfather,* on the occasion of *the 9th 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 one.

Dr. Stephen & Janet Kasparian & family, Laurie & Randall
 Preston & family, Maro Kasparian, Ardis & Robert Waldron & family,
 & Thomas Kasparian & sons request Hokehankisd for the soul of
 <u>*Yn. Violet Kasparian*</u>, beloved mother, grandmother, on the
 occasion of the 40th day (Karasoonk) 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 one.

Hokehankisd Request Deadline:

Hokehankisd requests must be submitted by <u>noon on Thursday</u> 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. <u>Please do not forget to include contact information</u> when leaving a message with your request.

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.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

<u>Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of,</u> (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, Sebuh Oscherician, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Christine Tashjian, Daniel Tashjian, 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.



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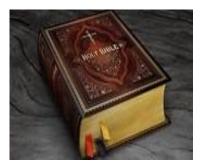
Ապրիլի 27-ին Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում ընդունեց «Դիվանագետների համահայկական խորհուրդ» (ԴՀԽ) հասարակական կազմակերպության անդամներին։

Հանդիպմանը ԴՀԽ-ի նախագահ տիար Գուրգեն Մելիքյանը Հայոց Հայրապետին ներկայացրեց կազմակերպության նպատակներն ու ծրագրերը՝ հայցելով Նորին Սրբության օրհնությունը նորաստեղծ խորհրդի արդյունավոր գործունեության համար։

Իր հայրական օրհնությունը բերելով ՀԿ-ի անդամներին՝ Նորին Սրբություն անդրադարձավ հայրենիքի աոջև ծառազած մարտահրավերներին, հայ ժողովրդի արդար իրավունքների պաշտպանության հիմնախնդիրներին nι անվտանգային սպառնալիքներին։ Հայոց Հայրապետը կարևորեց hwi դիվանագետների ջանքերը արտաքին գործընթացների մասնագիտական վերլուծության և լուծումներ գտնելու ուղղությամբ՝ ի պաշտպանություն մեր ժողովրդի արդար իրավունքների։

Այս առնչությամբ Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը տեղեկացրեց, որ Արցախի թեմը թեմական խորհրդի հետ միասին շարունակում է միջազգային և միջեկեղեցական հարթակներում քայլեր ձեռնարկել՝ ի խնդիր արցախահայերի իրավունքների պաշտպանության և Արցախի հոգևոր-մշակութային ժառանգության պահպանության։

Զրուցակիցները կարևորությամբ անդրադարձան նաև Հայոց ցեղասպանության ձանաչման, արցախահայերի իրավունքների պաշտպանության և Ադրբեջանում պահվող հայ գերիների վերադարձման ուղղությամբ ջանքերի ներդրմանը։



BIBLE STUDIES Wednesday, May 15 ,2024. TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

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

No. 41 "The Miraculous Draught of Fish" No. 42 "The Cleansing of the Leper" No. 43 "The Healing of the Paralytic"

Jesus Heals Peter's Mother-in-law

Mat. 8:14, When Jesus came into Peter's house, he saw Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. He touched her hand and the fever left her. Mark 1:29-31, As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon of Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with fever, and immediately they told him of her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her; and she served them. Luke 4:38-39, Jesus left the synagogue and went to the home of Simon. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked Jesus to help her. So, he bent over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up at once and began to wait on them. While the three accounts are very short, they have some interesting differences of detail: In Matthew's account it is Jesus who heals Peter's mother of his own volition rather than being asked to, as in the other two accounts. In both Mark and Luke's accounts, they call Peter by his earlier name-Simon, and the healed woman gets up and immediately wait on "them" whereas Matthew says she rose and waited on "him" only. There are interesting variations on how Jesus healed the woman. Matthew says he touched her hand; Mark says Jesus took her hand and Luke says that Jesus bent over her. At that time, if a Jewish person touched someone who was sick, they would become unclean. Jesus is defying the rules while remaining undefiled. Since Matthew is writing to a Jewish audience this even would be scandalous. Whereas Mark emphasizes the servant nature of the story with the idea of taking the woman's hand and then helping her

to stand up. And she in turn serves him in gratitude. As Luke is a doctor he includes more medical elements in his accounts- he bends over the woman to heal her just as a wise doctor he includes more medical elements in his account- he bends over the woman to heal her just as a wise doctor knows the importance of a good bedside manner. Only Luke states that she had a high fever. In Jesus' time, a doctor would have assessed the severity of the fever first, and so Luke would have wanted to know the precise details of this episode to ensure that he recorded the facts accurately in his gospel. This would have given his account real medical authority and therefore, be received as a genuinely true miracle. Luke also says that Jesus rebuked the woman's fever. We have no idea what kind of fever this was or what caused it since in the ancient world there were many Hebrew and Aramaic names for fever and several remedies used against it. Nevertheless, on a later occasion, Jesus famously rebuked the wind and the waves to end a storm on the Sea of Galilee in Luke 8:24. And Luke also used word 'rebuke' when Jesus casts out a demon during and exorcism in the Capernaum synagogue in Luke 4:35; as well as on other occasions against the disciples. When Jesus rebuked something or someone it implied that evil was present, and therefore the evil must be identified and called out for the healing to happen. In the Bible, demon possession covered all types of psychic or physical reactions caused by spiritual forces not ordained by God.

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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 e")

Fundamental Teachíngs of the Armenían Church



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

The Seven Spírítual 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 Cardínal Vírtues... 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,

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 <u>nbalekji@gmail.com</u>. *Pre-paid orders may be picked up in Abajian Hall on the designated day.

<u>Sunday School:</u>

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

<u>St. Leon's Social Club:</u>

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 the <u>ACYOA Seniors.</u> We invite you to join us, *after* badarak, for fellowship & coffee in our Abajian Hall.

<u>Please Note:</u> All campus postings *must be pre-approved* by the church office. <u>All others will be removed</u>. 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 kef! 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 Carolin Melkonian: 551.404.3752



LOVE TO BAKE? OR

WANT TO LEARN HOW?

Please come & join us!

We need you!

No experience necessary.

Thursday, May 9 -10am- Choreg Monday, May 13-10am- Cheese Boreg

A great way to meet new people & fellowship. St. Leon Community Center Kitchen





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



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-



May 15th, 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!



St. Leon Armenian Church Annual Picnic

SHISH KEBAB IS BACK!



Sunday, June 2, 2024 12:00p.m. to 4:00p.m. Rain or Shine



Volunteer to Help – Sign up here https://bit.ly/StLeonPicnic2024

Interested in selling your own product? - Email Sylvia Buzantian to learn how to become a vendor <u>sbuzantian@gmail.com</u>

Bring your family, friends and appetites for great Armenian food, music and community.



Want to help make sure the picnic is a success? Become a sponsor! Click here <u>http://bit.ly/StLeonPicnic</u> or scan the QR code with your smartphone

For more information call 201-791-2862





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2024 SUMMER CONFERENCES



 DEACONS' TRAINING PROGRAM Friday, June 28 to Sunday, July 7

 HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CONFERENCE Saturday, July 20 to Sunday, July 28

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Spring is in the air! Easter and The Masters tournament are coming up and we are excited to announce the 27th Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf & Tennis Outing. We will continue the tradition established by our event founders in 1997 by offering a day and evening of fellowship, competition, and great fun. We have some exciting enhancements for 2024:

- We will be at the beautiful championship golf course at Rockland CC home to a number or regional competitions
- · Our tennis section will be held on the clubs outdoor tennis courts
- . "On the Lam band" will be back provide awesome live entertainment
- We will again expand the silent auction with proceeds from donated items to support St. Leon Armenian
 Church
- · Golfers will enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner with lunch served on the course continuously from Noon-4pm

We are actively seeking participants and sponsors with 100% of the sponsorship proceeds going to St. Leon Armenian Church. There are a range of opportunities at different levels. Please keep in mind this outing has become one of our church's most important events of the year and helps raise funds that keep our vibrant St. Leon community going strong.

Please join us at Rockland Country Club on Monday September 9, 2024. Father Diran and the golf committee invite you to join us for a day on the golf course or tennis courts. You can also simply join in the evening for cocktails, food and live entertainment. Kindly spread the word and extend the number of people you ask to join. All are welcome! Please note we will once again have a discounted rate for golfers age 70+. Early bird pricing for golfers will be honored through June 15th. We will look forward to hearing from you if you have something you would like to discuss.

St. Leon Outing Committee - Rich Berenson - Chair. (917) 854-2357, Rich Ohnikian, Mike Ohnikian, Jess Ohnikian, Barbara Royland, Matt Royland, Tom Riedel, Nick Burdman, Jason Stephans, Lorraine Marootian (tennis), Vicken Jessourian and Linda Berenson.





27th St. Leon Armenian Church Golf & Tennis Outing Monday Sept 9th, 2024. Rockland Country Club 380 Rt 9W, Sparkill, NY 07641 (845) 359-3440

Event Details and Golfer & Tennis player Registration Form 9:00 – 11:45 am Registration, Driving Range, Practice facility, Breakfast at 10-11:30 am Noon Golf Shotgun start – Format: Four-person scramble, men's and ladies' tees. 12:30 - 2:30 and 2:30-4:30 Tennis Round Robin format 5:00 pm On the Lam Band, Hors D'oeuvres, Open bar beer and wine 6 pm Dinner, Door Prizes, Contest Awards, Raffles Prizes for Top mens and ladies golfers, Long drive, Straight drive, Closest to the pin, top tennis players

Early bird golfer fee if paid by June 15th: \$310 per player. \$325 after June 15th. Includes breakfast ,lunch,

dinner, cocktails and live music.

Special: Age 70+ golfer fee \$260 if paid by June 15th, \$275 after June 15th

Tennis and fee with cocktails, dinner and entertainment \$160

Dinner, beer, wine and live entertainment \$120 per person.

 Register for the event at https://birdease.com/stleon or using our QR Code below. Make check payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note "golf/tennis" in the memo area.
 Mail to: Barbara Royland, 44 Benson Avenue, Westwood, NJ 07675 (201) 960-4623 Final registration deadline is August 10, 2024.



A note about price increases: We recognize that there is price sensitivity. Fees are rising at all golf clubs. We were facing a 23% price increase at Haworth CC and a similar increase the following year. So we decided to evaluate our options. We reviewed all the local clubs and determined that RCC offered us the best value of all available clubs. Its an even nicer club and we will have 3 full meals including lunch for 4 hours on the golf course. We are preserving the senior and early bird rates this year to defer costs. Thank you for your understanding!



Join us on a spiritual journey to experience the thrilling, lifechanging adventure of DANIEL, an epic story of a man's faith and character...

Sight and Sound Millennium Theatre Lancaster, Pennsylvania Saturday, November 2, 2024

Sponsored by the St. Leon Parish Council <u>Subsidized cost for members of St. Leon includes the</u> <u>performance, transportation, and a lavish buffet lunch</u> <u>before the show.</u>

ADULTS: \$95 AGES 3-12YRS: \$35

ONLY 49 TICKETS - FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED

Schedule of Day's Events

9:00 a.m.	Bus departs from St. Leon Church
12 –12:30 p.m.	Bus arrives in Lancaster.
12:45 – 2:15 p.m.	Lavish buffet Lunch – Local Restaurant
2:45 p.m.	Performance
5:30 p.m.	Bus departs Lancaster, PA–
	please bring a sandwich/drink for the ride home.
9:00 p.m.	Bus arrives at St. Leon Church.

Check payable to <u>St. Leon Armenian Church</u>; reservation deadline 9/29/24. Mail to: Berdjouhi Parseghian, 727 Chestnut PI. Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417

(Write "Daniel" on check memo line; PROVIDE cell # - check confirms reservation)

For additional information please contact Berdjouhi Parseghian (201) 543-8028 or Berdjouhi1@gmail.com

English Form



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.

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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 faithexperience 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

TODAY	GA	LENDAK OF EVENIS
Sun	May 5	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School
Wed	May 8	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	May 10	Armenian School Armenian Line Dance Workshop see flyer
Sat	May 11	Rock the Night Away see flyer
Sun	May 12	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>
Tues	May 14	WG Meeting 6:30pm in Abajian Hall and at 7:45pm, Aran Wines Presentation, ALL ARE WELCOME
Wed	May 15	Senior Social Club 11-3pm HNH Nurse Visit
Fri	May 17	Armenian School
Sun	May 19	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Sunday School 12 th Grade Graduation Ceremony
Wed	May 22	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	May 24	No Armenian School
Sun	May 26	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, No Sunday School
Mon	May 27	Church Office/Campus Closed
Wed	May 29	Senior Social Club 11-3pm
Fri	May 31	Armenian School
Sun	June 2	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Annual Church Picnic see flyer

Last Gospel is Matthew 11:25-30

There are no Wedding Sacraments or Hokehankisd permitted on Palm Sunday (April 13,2025) & on the five major feast days 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

