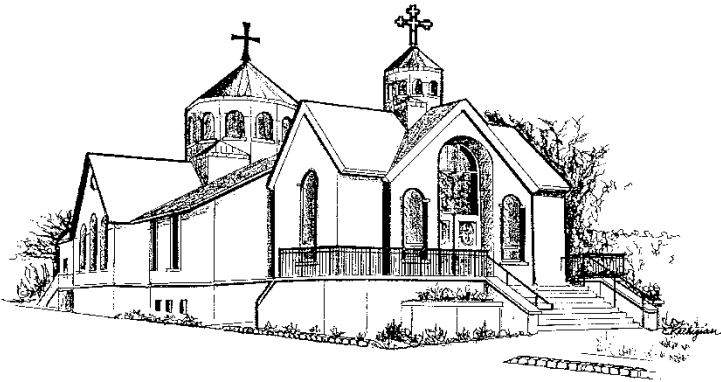


# ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

First Sunday of Advent  
November 27, 2022

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



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## Readings from the Holy Scripture

Isaiah 36:1-9

1 Thes1:1-10

Gospel of Luke 12:13-31

*"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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## Parish Council Members

<b>Chairman</b>	<i>Vicken Jessourian</i>
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	<i>Mark Badach</i>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<i>George Kundakji</i>
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<b>Members at Large</b>	<i>Serda Belekdanian</i>
	<i>Haig Buchakjian</i>
	<i>Hagop Cilingiryan</i>
	<i>Karen Nargizian</i>
	<i>Marilou Pinajian</i>



# HOKEHANKISD

✝ Garo and Lori Agopian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Shoghig Vartivarian Agopian** their *beloved mother*, on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. They have donated toward altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

✝ Nora Balekji requests Hokehankisd for the soul of her beloved sister, **Shoghig Vartivarian Agopian**, on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. She has donated toward altar flowers and has requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of her loved one.

✝ Houry & Jano Berberian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Shoghig Vartivarian Agopian** on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. They have donated toward altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

✝ Mariam Hayrabetian, Khatchig Hayrabetian, and Annie & Christopher Havatian & family request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Panos Hayrabetian**, *beloved husband, father, & grandfather*, on the occasion of **his 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

✝ Adrienne, Gregory, Brett, Jilda, Grant, Ashley Tenbekjian & grandchildren request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Helen Manookian**, *loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother*, on **her 22<sup>nd</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. They also request Hokehankisd for the departed members of the **Mardirosian family**. The family has donated toward altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of her loved one.



✝ The Mozian, Mosco, Arzoomanian, & Baligian families requests Hokehankisd for the soul of thier *beloved mother & grandmother*, **MaryAnn Mozian** on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. They have donated towards the altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

✝ Barbara, Leon, Haig, & Lori Hovsepien request Hokehankisd for the soul of their beloved friend, **MaryAnn Mozian** on **her 1st 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.

✝ Bob & Marilyn Mozian request Hokehankisd for the soul of **MaryAnn Mozian**, on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest. They have donated towards the altar flowers and hasverequsted that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

✝ Joan & Walter Jensen request Hokehankisd for the soul of **MaryAnn Mozian** on **her 1st year** of passing into eternal rest. They have donated towards the altar flowers and have requested that the altar candles be lit in memory of their loved one.

✝ Rose Najarian Kedeshian and Barbara Boghosian request Hokehankisd for the soul of their dear friend, **MaryAnn Mozian**, on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

✝ St Leon Parish Council requests Hokehankisd for the soul of, **MaryAnn Mozian**, on the occasion of **her 1<sup>st</sup> year** of passing into eternal rest.



† Eliz Tossounian, Nora & Vicken Yaghian, Sylva & Richard Takvorian, Diana & Garen Boghosian, & grandchildren; Annelise, Gregory, Jacqueline, Jack, Natalie, & Patil, request Hokehankisd for the soul **Jacques Tossounian**, *beloved husband, father, & grandfather*, on the occasion of **his 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

† The Vezirian, Hovsepien, Carmichael, & de los Reyes families request Hokehankisd for the soul of **Richard Mark Vezirian**, *beloved father, brother, uncle, & grandfather* on the occasion of **his 20th 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.

### **Hokehankisd Deadline:**

Kindly submit all Hokehankisd requests by **2pm on Thursdays** to be included in that week's Sunday bulletin. Please note that there is a standard word format used to maintain consistency with all Hokehankisd requests. You may email or call the church office to submit your Hokehankisd prayer 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 in 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 unto the ages of ages.***



## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Remember in your prayers and ask for the recovery of Glenn Ajamian, James Azarian, Mosses Bairamian, Hana Botie, Zoe Brooks, Frank Cornawchiulo, Jerry DiSant, Mike Fenarjian, Lynne Ford, Julie Frattarola, Yester Garabedian, Ruben Grigoryants, John Hallak, Ryan Hallak, Varoujan Harutunian, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Mary Ann Kral, Annette Kouchshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathey, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebu Oscherician, Very Rev. Father Mesrop Parsamian, Dan Patoyia (Moynihan), Grace Pinajian, Marilou Pinajian, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tenguarian, Greg Tenbekjian, and 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”***

*(Kindly assist with the updating of the prayer list.*

*If a name needs to be added or removed, notify the church office. Thank you)*



## **Church Etiquette**

*Reverence Required*



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

*\* You may 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. Hayr Mer, pg. 41,*
- 5. Hymn, "Der Voghormya," pg. 45, and*
- 6. Holy Communion, pg. 49.*

*\* Also, please do not chew gum or cross legs during church services.*

*\* Please observe the "arrows" in the new liturgy books.*

*\* They indicate when you should Stand, Sit, or Kneel.*

*\*For your convenience, liturgy book pages are indicated on monitors located on either side of altar.*



*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.*





# BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2022.

TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Zoom Bible Study. Please call or e-mail Fr. Diran and he will send you the link for the Bible Study.

The Book of Isaiah

Isaiah’s continuing message is consistent in its theme. He preaches social justice and personal righteousness to both Jews and Gentiles as the proof of salvation. Social justice and personal righteousness go hand in hand as universal virtues that God expects of His children.



*Do you know what the writing above the altar is?*



*It is written in classical Armenian which says, “Love one another, because God is Love”.*

# 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. Thank you.

**Armenian School:**

The next order due date for sujuk, lahmajun, & baghaj is scheduled for 12/10/22.

Pick up for those orders is scheduled for 12/18/22.

All further inquiries can be forwarded to **Barbara Hovsepian** by **texting to 551-206-6686, or email; bhovsepian@optonline.net**

**Sunday School:**

Runs from 10am -12pm, PreK thru 11<sup>th</sup> grades.

Click on the following link to register students; <https://bit.ly/3zLZoF6>.

For further inquiries contact **Andrea Carden** at **201-264-2805, or email at [acarden56@gmail.com](mailto:acarden56@gmail.com)**.

**St. Leon’s Social Club:**

Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at our community center. You can play cards, backgammon, or just enjoy a cup of coffee! 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 Armenian School. Please join us in our newly renovated Abajian Hall after Badarak for coffee and fellowship.



*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-

**December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

Mark your calendars.

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

Your heart will thank you!



# CALLING ALL WALKERS!

Sponsored by The St. Leon Woman's Guild



Mondays, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

We will meet weekly and hope that you can  
join us!

Where: St Leon Front Parking Lot

Bring water and your sneakers!

Enjoy fun & fellowship with your friends!

Questions? Please call Lisa Boyajian at 551-265-1105

**Hope to see you!**





# BASKETBALL SCHEDULE



## ACSA BASKETBALL 2022-2023 Season

DATE	GARDEN CITY MITCHEL GYM	FAIR LAWN ST LEON GYM	HACKENSACK MIDDLE SCHOOL	HACKENSACK HIGH SCHOOL
OCT 23	2:00 M SVC VART1 3:30 M HM VART2	2:00 Jr LEON1 LEON2 3:15 G LEON VART 4:30 Sr LEON VART		
OCT 30	1:30 G HM1 VART 2:45 Jr HM VART 4:00 G HM2 LEON 5:15 Sr HM LEON	1:30 Jr LEON2 SARK 2:45 M LEON1 LEON2		2:00 Sr APC SARK 3:15 M VART1 SARK 4:30 M VART2 SVC
NOV 6	1:30 St HM1 HM2 2:30 Sr HM SARK 3:45 M VART2 SARK 5:00 M HM LEON2	1:30 Jr HM LEON1 2:45 Sr APC VART 4:00 M LEON1 VART1	1:30 St HOV LEON1 2:30 G VART LEON 3:45 Jr VART LEON2	
NOV 13	1:30 Jr HM SARK 2:45 Sr HM APC 4:00 Sr LEON SARK 5:15 M LEON1 SARK	1:30 Jr LEON1 LEON2 2:45 St HOV LEON2 3:45 G HM2 VART		2:00 M VART1 VART2 3:15 G HM1 LEON 4:30 M SVC LEON2
NOV 20	1:30 G HM1 HM2 2:45 Jr SARK VART 4:00 Sr SARK VART 5:15 M HM VART1	2:00 Sr APC LEON 3:15 M SARK LEON2 4:30 M SVC LEON1	1:30 St HM1 HOV 2:30 St HM2 LEON1 3:30 Jr HM LEON2	
DEC 4	1:30 St HM2 LEON2 2:30 St HM1 LEON1 3:30 M HM SARK 4:45 Jr LEON1 SARK		1:30 M LEON2 VART2 2:45 G LEON HM2 4:00 G VART HM1	1:30 Jr HM VART 2:45 Sr HM VART 4:00 Sr APC SARK
DEC 11	1:30 St HM1 LEON2 2:30 St HM2 HOV 3:30 G HM1 HM2 4:45 M SARK SVC	1:30 Jr LEON1 VART 2:45 Jr LEON2 SARK 4:00 Sr APC VART		2:00 Sr HM LEON 3:15 M VART1 LEON2 4:30 M HM LEON1
DEC 18	1:30 Jr HM LEON1 2:45 G HM1 LEON 4:00 Sr HM SARK 5:15 M HM SVC	2:00 St LEON1 LEON2 3:00 Sr LEON VART 4:15 M LEON1 VART2	2:00 Jr SARK VART 3:15 G HM2 VART	

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Note to all players and coaches: Please arrive at least 30 minutes before game time.

Scores, standings and information at [www.acsasports.org](http://www.acsasports.org)

[www.facebook.com/acsabasketball/](https://www.facebook.com/acsabasketball/)

[www.instagram.com/acsa\\_basketball/](https://www.instagram.com/acsa_basketball/)





## CHRISTMAS GREETING

We are offering the opportunity of sending greetings to your fellow St. Leon Parishioners through a **Special St. Leon Christmas Greeting.**

Please complete this form and return it to the Church Office by Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, so that your names can appear in the December 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday bulletin & also in the January/February 2023 Lradoo issue.

### CHRISTMAS GREETING:

DONATION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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## POINSETTIAS FOR THE HOLY ALTAR



If you wish to donate towards the poinsettias that decorate the Altar during the Christmas season, please complete the form below and return it with your donation, to the Church Office by Sunday, December 18, 2022. The list will appear in the January/February 2023 Lradoo issue.

### POINSETTIAS FOR THE ALTAR

DONATION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Nov 27	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy No Sunday School
Fri	Dec 2	Armenian School
Sun	Dec 4	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School, ACYOA chocolate sale
Fri	Dec 9	Armenian School
Sun	Dec 11	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School Christmas Pageant
Tues	Dec 13	Women's Guild Christmas Party & Toys-for-Tots collection
Fri	Dec 16	Armenian School Christmas Hantes
Sun	Dec 18	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy No Sunday School
Fri	Dec 23	No Armenian School
Sun	Dec 25	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy No Sunday School
Sat	Jan 7 2023	Save the Date for Annual Christmas Party Featuring Onnik Dinkjian

Last Gospel:  
John 12:24-26

*~There are no wedding sacraments permitted on the  
five major feast days in the Armenian Church which are:*

**Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2023**

**Easter – April 9, 2023**

**Transfiguration – July 16, 2023**

**Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 13, 2023**

**Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 17, 2023**

