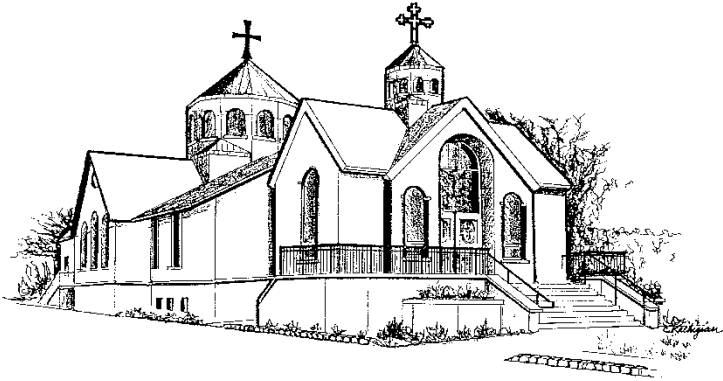


# ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
September 11th, 2022

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM



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## Readings from the Holy Scripture

Isaiah 49:-13-23

Galatians 6:14-18

Gospel of John 3:13-21

*“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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*\*After Der Diran's Homily the Service of Antasdan will begin.*

### Prayer for September 11

Lord God, as our world changed with the September 11 attacks, we are reminded that you are our only true security. In prayer we ask that you grant eternal rest to all those whose lives were lost on that Tragic day. Amen.



## 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.

*\* You are especially reminded not to do so during,*

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 above and to the right of the altar.

# HOKEHANKISD

**Hokehankisd Deadline:** Please note that Hokehankisd requests must be received by **3pm, Thursday** to be included in that week's Sunday bulletin. You may email or call the church office. Thank you.

## 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, Lynne Ford, Julie Frattarola, Ruben Grigoryants, John Hallak, Ryan Hallak, Varoujan Harutunian, Barbara Hovsepian, Silva Jinivizian, Robert John Karanfilian III, Brandon Katz, Mary Ann Kral, Annette Kouchshirin, Jim & Wendy Lathay, Carmelina Mancini, Bill Manookian, Sebu Oscherician, Very Rev.Father Mesrop Parsamian, Dan Patoyia (Moynihan), Marilou Pinajian, Emily Ring, Michael Sakolsky, Melanie Sarkisian, Marie Tengerian, 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 updating of the prayer list...*

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





## In the Shadow of the Cross:

The Holy Cross and Armenian History

Every autumn, the Armenian Church celebrates the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**—one of the five major feasts of the Church, and the most important of the four feasts of the Holy Cross.

The Exaltation refers to the True Cross on which Christ was crucified, which according to Church tradition was ceremoniously elevated for veneration on three occasions. It was first elevated by St. James the Apostle, the first Bishop of Jerusalem, who lifted the cross with the words “We bow before thy cross, O Christ”—a formulation still used in the Armenian liturgy.

The second occasion involved the discovery of the True Cross after a period of some 300 years. In A.D. 326, Queen Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine, traveled to Jerusalem to identify the holy places associated with Christ’s life. She authenticated the True Cross by placing upon it the body of a recently deceased youth, who was miraculously raised to life when he came in contact with the formerly discarded cross. According to tradition, the True Cross was overgrown with aromatic basil, which is used in the commemoration of the feast day today.

The third occasion came in the 7th century when the Persians had seized the True Cross of Jesus after conquering the city of Jerusalem. Leading a coalition of forces, including Armenians, the Emperor Heraclius recaptured the cross and, en route to Jerusalem, passed with it through Armenia, where the cross was repeatedly raised up and venerated.

On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, the Divine Liturgy is marked with an *antadan* service (blessing of the fields) during which the processional cross is adorned with basil (a symbol of royalty) and the four corners of the church are blessed as a symbol for all the world.

The cross is a source of great national pride for us as a khachagir—or “cross-bearing”—nation. For over the centuries, Armenians have borne Christ’s cross with faith, hope, and love. What was once an instrument of torture and death—comparable to the modern electric chair—became for us Christians the symbol of salvation, and victory over death. Naturally, to those with no faith, our veneration for

the cross makes no sense at all. They cannot understand how so base an instrument could be at the center of our worship, of our churches and altars. But we see in the cross the instrument on which our Lord sacrificed Himself in order to cleanse mankind of its sins. The cross for us is the instrument of life: a divine sign that shows the power of life over death. It is for this reason that Christians throughout the world venerate the Holy Cross.

Throughout our history, we Armenians have lived in the shadow of the cross. Armenians were (and still are) geographically situated on the “leading edge” of the Christian world. Having suffered for our faith in Christ, we have also shared in the passion of His Crucifixion. No wonder, then, that the cross would become pre-eminent among our national emblems, appearing on the domes and walls of our churches, on our altars, in our homes—even erupting out of the Armenian landscape, as stone khachkars. Imagine the impact this sign must have had on the minds of our ancestors in the Middle Ages! Everywhere they turned, the sign of the cross confronted their eyes—in overt but also rather subtle ways. Our churches have cruciform plans, and our priests bless their congregations with crosses. We put chaplets with crosses on the heads of those making the marriage vow. Babies —both boys and girls —are given crosses at the time of baptism. We also give those children names like “Khachig” and “Khachadoor” (in medieval times, our ancestors used feminine forms of these as well). We even trace the lines of the invisible cross etched into the very architecture of the human body when we make the Sign of the Cross. Why did our ancestors surround themselves with crosses? Perhaps because they understood that human nature being what it is, all of us are prone to making the wrong choices. So, in anticipation of their own moments of fateful decision, they dotted the landscape with crosses, to unavoidably remind themselves of “the power of God.” To view the cross as a sign of God’s power is not simply to recall that He is watching us, knows the secrets of our hearts, and will judge us accordingly (although this, of course, is true). But more significantly, the cross is our evidence that God has used —and will use—His power to help us in our times of trial: that through His son, He has stretched forth His hand to mankind as a whole, and to every human individual, to redeem us, guide us, support us—and make us worthy of His kingdom, in spite of our mortal tendency to defy Him.

The Armenians of old took this power very seriously. One of their favorite sayings was: *Sourp Khachn yeghitsi eents oknagan—*“Let the Holy Cross be my support.” We today could benefit from their wisdom, by keeping our own thoughts focused on the mystery of the Holy Cross. Such veneration should not be confused with idolatry. We worship the idea or the mystery behind the Holy Cross. Our expectation and hope from the sign of the cross is a reflection of our faith in the Resurrection of Christ. The presence of that sign at every stage and every turn in our lives reminds us that His blood was shed over the original cross, to free us as individuals from our sins. As frequently as we confront a cross, we must be aware of the sacrifice that Christ made on our behalf. More to the point, we must consider why that sacrifice was necessary—and what is required from us in response.

During times of adversity and upheaval, the Holy Cross has been the most powerful support for the Armenian flock of Christ. And in times of peace, too, the sign of the Holy Cross has been —and is—our most abundant source of consolation. The cross casts its shadow over our lives—but it also sheds light, healing old wounds, and illuminating before us the way to God’s kingdom. It guides us along a path of righteousness, whose ultimate destination is the victory over the ills of the world.

—*Very Rev. Fr. Krikor Maksoudian and Christopher H. Zakian*



## **Կատարվեց Մայր Աթոռի «Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյան» վարչական շենքի հիմնօրհներթի արարողությունը**

Սեպտեմբերի 7-ին Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնում, նախագահությամբ Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Օայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսի, կատարվեց Մայր Աթոռի «Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյան» վարչական շենքի հիմնօրհներթի արարողությունը: Վարչական շենքը կառուցվում է Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնի բարերարներ Տեր և Տիկին Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյանների սրտաբուխ հանձնառությամբ և ազնիվ նվիրատվությամբ:

Արարողությանը ներկա էին Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնի միաբանությունը, պաշտոնեությունը, տիար Վաչե Մանուկյանի հատուկ ներկայացուցիչ Արա Ալեքսանյանը և հավատավոր հայորդիներ:

Հիմնօրհներթից հետո Նորին Սրբությունն իր օրհնությունն ու գնահատանքը հղեց բարեպաշտ Մանուկյան ընտանիքին, որն իր արդար վաստակը ծառայեցնում է հայոց ազգի բարօրության և Առաքելական Սուրբ Եկեղեցու պայծառության համար: Հայոց Հովվապետը հայցեց, որ Բարձրյալն Աստված ազգանվեր և Էջմիածնասեր բարերարներ Տեր և Տիկին Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյաններին ու նրանց սիրեցյալ զավակներին պարզևի աստվածօրհնյալ և երջանիկ կյանքի բազում տարիներ ու նորանոր բարի իրագործումներ ազգային-եկեղեցական անդաստանում:

Վեհափառ Հայրապետն իր օրհնությունը փոխանցեց նաև ճարտարապետ Արտակ Դուլյանին և շինարարությունն իրականացնող «Այգեձոր» ՍՊԸ-ին՝ Երկնավորից հայցելով, որ բարի ավարտին հասցնեն նոր կառույցի շինարարական աշխատանքները:

Ապա Նորին Սրբությունն ընթերցեց հիմնօրհներթի առիթով կազմված հիշատակարանը, որն այնուհետև զետեղվեց կառույցի հիմքերում: «...Հայրապետական մեր օրհնությունն ու բարձր գնահատանքն ենք բերում ազգային բարերարներին, որոնց ազգասիրության և հայրենանվիրումի արգասիքն են հայրենիքում և սփյուռքի հայահոծ տարբեր համայնքներում գործող հայ մանուկների ինքնության դարբնոց դպրոցներն ու վարժարանները, երիտասարդների բարձրագույն կրթությանն ի նպաստ սահմանված կրթաթոշակները, բարեսիրական և մշակութային ծրագրերը: Մանուկյան եկեղեցասեր ամուլը առանձնահատուկ ուշադրություն է ընծայում Հայաստանյայց Առաքելական Սուրբ Եկեղեցուն և համայն հայության հոգևոր կենտրոն Մայր Աթոռ Սուրբ Էջմիածնին՝ իր արդար վաստակից պարբերական ընծայաբերումներով գորավիզ լինելով

Եկեղեցու հոգևոր և հայապահպան սրբազան առաքելությանը: Տեր և Տիկին Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյանների առատաձեռն հոգածությամբ 2012 թվականին Սուրբ Էջմիածնում վեր խոյացավ «Վաչե և Թամար Մանուկյան մատենադարանը»՝ իր հարուստ գրադարանով և վայելուչ պայմաններով՝ հայրենական-եկեղեցական կյանքում դառնալով աստվածաբանական և հայագիտական ուսումնասիրությունների և գիտաժողովների ուրույն կենտրոն:

...Նոր կառուցվող վարչական շենքը պիտի ծառայի Մայր Աթոռի վարչական կառույցների մեկտեղման և գործունեության արդյունավետ կազմակերպման գործին՝ իր յուրօրինակ ճարտարապետությամբ նաև գեղեցկացնելով մեր Սուրբ Եկեղեցու հոգևոր կենտրոնը:

Հայրապետիս աղոթքն է, որ Բարձրյալ մեր Տերը Իր Սուրբ Աջի հովանու ներքո խաղաղ ու անվտանգ պահի հայրենի մեր երկիրը, բարօր ու շեն՝ արշխարհասփյուռ հայոց կյանքը, պայծառ ու բարեգարդ՝ Հայաստանյայց մեր Սուրբ Եկեղեցին...», - նշված է հիշատակարանում:



### **Օծվեց Գեղարդավանքի Սուրբ Կաթողիկե եկեղեցու գմբեթի խաչը**

Սեպտեմբերի 8-ին՝ Սուրբ Մարիամ Աստվածածնի ծննդյան տոնին, Սուրբ Գեղարդի վանական համալիրում, հանդիսապետությամբ Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Գարեգին Երկրորդ Ծայրագույն Պատրիարք և Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսի, կատարվեց Սուրբ Կաթողիկե եկեղեցու գմբեթի խաչի օծման արարողությունը:

Սուրբ Կաթողիկե եկեղեցում՝ սուրբ խորանի առջև, ըստ ընկալյալ կարգի, նախ սաղմոսների երգեցողության ներքո գինով և ջրով լվացվեց խաչը, ապա սուրբգրային ընթերցվածքներից ու աղոթքներից հետո Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսը սրբալույս մյուռոնով օծեց այն:

Արարողության ավարտին Հայոց Հովվապետն իր պատգամը հղեց ներկաներին՝ մաղթելով, որ նորած խաչը օգնական և պահապան լինի մեր ժողովրդին, հավելի հավատ և հույս հայոց կյանքին:

«Մենք հավատում ենք խաչի զորությանը, որով կյանքի պիտի կոչենք մեր բոլոր իղձերն ու տեսիլքները», - եզրափակեց Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոս





## **BIBLE STUDIES**

**Wednesday, Sept 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.

### **Book of Ezekiel**

The book of Habakkuk, “The Prophet’s Complaint”

The book of Jonah, “Jonah Tries to Run Away from God”.

The book of Ezekiel is faithful and God recognizes that in him, trusting him to carry out his message to Israel. Through Ezekiel, we learn that the spiritual is just as important as the physical. God’s power and plan for His people surpasses the physical limitations of our life on Earth and He will make things new again.





*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 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:**

( Previously placed) Orders for *sujuk & lahmajun*

**PICK UP TODAY, 12-1pm.** Contact **Nora Balekji** at **973-513-2507**, or email at [nbalekji@gmail.com](mailto:nbalekji@gmail.com). for future order details.

**Sunday School:**

Sunday School will resume on September 18, 2022. 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:**

Seniors have much to offer, wisdom, experience, and time! Our Social Club meets every Wednesday, 11:30am-3:00pm at the community center. You can play cards, backgammon, board games of your choice, 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!

**2022 Church Directory:**

Additional copies of our 2022 St. Leon Church Directory can be purchased. Call church office on weekdays or speak with a Parish Council member on Sundays.

**Coffee Hospitality.**

Today’s hospitality is hosted by our Sunday School.

Please join us at the Youth Center Lobby after church service.

Abajian Hall remains under renovations & is restricted from entering.



ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

July, 2022

To Our Dear Parish Community,

During our 2020 Parish Assembly and just prior to the pandemic breakout, we passed a resolution to spend significant funds to undertake the much-needed refurbishment of our Saint Leon Abajian Hall. We were ready to start the hall renovation that summer. However, as we are all painfully aware, much of New Jersey went into a "shelter in place" mode. Our parish council decided to hold off renovations until the pandemic was in a less severe state.

Fast forward two and a half years and we are now in a better state relative to the pandemic and we are now going forward with our renovations. Over the past two years our Abajian Hall Committee members have been hard at work and continuously meeting with each other, many vendors and with Saint Leon leadership to make sure that our renovation will be executed with minimal disruption to our parish life. Our hall renovation committee members are Lorig Chorluyan, Rose Najarian Kedeshian and Nancy Zoraian. In addition to their planning, execution and oversight, our committee has spent much time to ensure that we receive as much value as possible for the considerable monies we are spending. At the same time, they have ensured that the renovation will be aesthetically attractive and welcoming.

The hall renovation will include the installation of carpeting, wallpaper, stage curtains, ballroom windows and window treatments, chandeliers and lighting, speakers and molding for the stage and cabinet doors. It will also include the purchase of four hundred ballroom chairs and removal of the ballroom mirrors. As you can appreciate, this will be a near total renovation.

For 88 years our loving parish has been a uniting force for faith, fellowship and giving. As we begin our 2022 Abajian Hall renovation, and most especially during this unique hour of need, please consider a special donation to our church and help finance our significant renovation. Those who donate will be invited to an inaugural celebration to be held in our newly renovated hall and will be presented with a commemorative pamphlet thanking and listing all our donors.

Give, and it will be given to you. (Luke 6:38)

The Parish Council has formed a special fundraising committee for our hall renovation. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Karen Nargizian at [karen@toufayan.com](mailto:karen@toufayan.com) or (201) 446-1033 or Linda Berenson at [lindaberenson@me.com](mailto:lindaberenson@me.com) or (201) 805-4743, and/or fill out the enclosed donation form and mail it with your check in the enclosed self-addressed envelope to our church office.

May the Lord bless you and your family with health, peace and wishing you a safe 2022 summer.

*Rev. Fr. Diran Bohajian*  
Pastor

*Vicken Jessourian*  
Parish Council Chairman

**St. Leon 2022 Abajian Hall Ballroom Renovation**  
**Donation Form**

**Donor** \$1-100 \_\_\_\_\_

**Supporter** \$101-250 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor** \$251-500 \_\_\_\_\_

**Contributor** \$501-1,000 \_\_\_\_\_

**Advocate** \$1,001-2,500 \_\_\_\_\_

**Patron** \$2,500 -5,000 \_\_\_\_\_

**Benefactor** \$5001-10,000 \_\_\_\_\_

**Philanthropist** \$10,001 & Up \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Kindly make your check payable to St. Leon Armenian Church  
& note "Hall Renovation" in the memo area.

**Thank you for your donation.**

Mail your check to:  
Saint Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

As an expression of gratitude those who donate will receive an invitation to an inaugural celebration which will be held once work has been completed.

# TOMORROW

EXPLORING

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK'S *PRAYER BOOK*:

A *ROUNDTABLE WITH DISCUSSANTS*

DR. ABRAHAM TERIAN

HIS GRACE BISHOP DANIEL FINDIKYAN

DR. JESSE ARLEN

JOIN SCHOLARS OF ARMENIAN CHRISTIANITY TO EXPLORE THE MAGNUM  
OPUS OF THE GREAT MYSTIC POET AND THEOLOGIAN AND CELEBRATE THE  
WORK OF MASTER TRANSLATOR ABRAHAM TERIAN.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00PM**

REGISTER FOR ZOOM AND ABAJIAN HALL AT

<https://bit.ly/depth-of-the-heart>

TO WATCH ON YOUTUBE, CLICK ON <https://bit.ly/StLeonEvents>

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PROGRAM

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

CHARLES & GRACE PINAJIAN YOUTH CENTER

12-61 SADDLE RIVER ROAD

FAIR LAWN, NJ 07410

THE EVENT IS CO-SPONSORED BY ST. NERSESS ARMENIAN SEMINARY, THE  
ZOHRAH INFORMATION CENTER, AND ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH.  
A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE DISCUSSION AND BOOK SIGNING.



FROM THE DEPTHS  
OF THE HEART

Annotated Translation of the  
Prayers of St. Gregory of Narek

Abraham Terian



St. Leon Men's Fellowship



*Weekend in the Catskills 2022*

Date: Sept. 16, 17, 18

Location: Camp Nubar, Andes, NY

Cost: \$175

GREAT FOOD, BEAUTIFUL SCENERY &  
FUN!!

*Golf, Tennis, Basketball, Hiking, Fishing,  
Swimming, Canoeing, Tavloo, Cards, Etc.*

For reservations and information call:

Barry (evenings) 201-888-2668

Reservation deadline September 9, 2022

Mail your check to:

Barry Halejian, 412 Glendale Rd., Wyckoff, NJ  
07481

Make checks payable to  
St. Leon Men's Fellowship



*St. Leon Annual*  
*Open House*  
*Sunday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022*  
*(after Badarak at the*  
*Youth Center Gymnasium)*

***Come meet all our church  
organizational  
representatives & consider  
joining!***

***ACYOA Jrs***  
***ACYOA Srs***  
***Armenian School***  
***Church Choir***  
***Men's Fellowship***  
***Social Club***  
***Sunday School***  
***Women's Guild***  
***& more...***

# CALLING ALL WALKERS!

Sponsored by The St. Leon Woman's Guild



Our Walking Club starts up again on  
Monday, September 19, 2022

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!

September 19<sup>th</sup> will be our kickoff event!  
After our walk we will meet for lunch at World Flats,  
134 E. Ridgewood Avenue in Ridgewood, NJ.  
Outdoor seating is available. (Lunch is optional.)

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

**Hope to see you on the 19<sup>th</sup>!**





*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-

**September 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!



# 25th Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing

We are excited to announce the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing. Over twenty-five years ago the founders of this event, Arthur Ohnikian, Dick Keurajian assisted by Rich Ohnikian, George Kachagian and Gabe Kaprelian set out to create a day of fellowship, competition, and great fun. We honor their tradition and legacy and this year we are taking the event to the next level. The enhancements for 2022 include:

- Hosting the event on the championship layout at Haworth Country Club
- Adding a tennis option to attract non-golfers who want to enjoy fellowship on the courts
- Live entertainment starting at the cocktail hour featuring “On the Lam band”
- Commemorative 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary hat included for each player
- Ideal fall season timing on September 26th

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 is a big year for St. Leon Armenian Church with a big return to in person activities and the planned renovation of Abajian hall this summer!

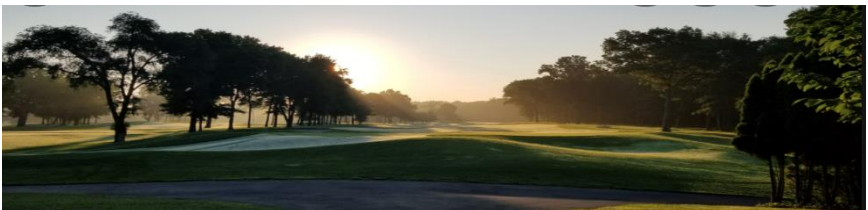
Please join us at Haworth Country Club on Monday September 26, 2022. Father Diran and the golf committee invite you to join us for a day on the golf course or tennis courts. You can also simply join for cocktails, food and live entertainment. Kindly spread the word and extend the number of people you ask to join. All are welcome!

Please reach out if you have any questions or have something you would like to discuss.

All the best,

St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Open Committee

Rich Berenson (917) 854-2357, Rich Ohnikian, Mike Ohnikian, Matt Royland, Tom Reidel, Haig Najarian (Tennis)



# 25th Annual St. Leon Armenian Church Golf Outing

- Titanium Sponsor..... \$5,000  
(Includes four players for golf or tennis, registration signage, dinner-for-four as well as two hole sponsorships)
- Platinum Sponsor..... \$2,500  
(Includes four players for golf or tennis dinner-for-two as well as one hole sponsorship)
- Registration Sponsor..... \$1,000
- Dinner Sponsor..... \$750
- Lunch Sponsor..... \$500
- Beverage Sponsor..... \$300
- Hole Sponsor..... \$150
- Sponsorship of any amount.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$1,000 or more includes two dinner guests, \$500 or more includes one dinner guest)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

To be printed on sponsor sign \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note “golf sponsorship” in the memo area.

Mail to:

Rich Berenson, 831 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481  
(917) 854-2357.



**25<sup>th</sup> Annual Saint Leon Armenian Church Golf Open**  
**Monday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Haworth Country Club**  
**33 Lakeshore Drive, Haworth, NJ 07641 (201) 384-7300**  
**Event Details and Golfer Registration Form**

9:30 – 11:30 am Registration, Driving Range, Practice facility, Brunch starting at 10 am

11:30 am Golf Shotgun start – Format: Four-person scramble, men's and ladies' tees.

2:00 Tennis Clinic and Round Robin format play (arrive by 1:30 pm)

4:30 pm On the Lam Band, Hors D'oeuvres, Open bar beer and wine

6 pm Dinner, Awards and Door Prizes

**Early bird golfer fee thru July 15<sup>th</sup>: \$250 per player. \$275 after July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Early bird tennis fee thru July 15<sup>th</sup>. \$150 per player. \$165 after July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Dinner, beer and wine and entertainment \$100 per person.**

- Make check payable to St. Leon Armenian Church. Note "golf/tennis" in the memo area.
- Mail to: Rich Berenson, 831 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481 (917) 854-2357. Registration deadline September 6, 2022.
- Total amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_.

Player Information – we will match you up If necessary.

Check here if tennis

Player

1 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

2 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

3 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Player

4 \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

*Special requests (food allergies, etc.)*

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## St. Leon Armenian School – Registration Form 2022–2023

For more information call 201-791-2862 x7, leave your name and number or email [armenianschool@stleon.org](mailto:armenianschool@stleon.org)

Principal Nora Balekji will return your call as soon as possible.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Student Name	Date of Birth	School Grade	Select Dialect	Select Level	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Western <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern	<input type="checkbox"/> K-6 Fridays <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Wednesdays*	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Western <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern	<input type="checkbox"/> K-6 Fridays <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Wednesdays*	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Western <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern	<input type="checkbox"/> K-6 Fridays <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Wednesdays*	
Adult:	NA	NA	Western only	6-8:30 PM	Wednesdays**
				<b>Total Tuition</b>	

\*Intermediate Class will be formed if 5 or more students enroll.

\*\*Adult Class will be formed if 5 or more students enroll.

**Tuition Payment (tuition is non-refundable) \$350.**

**\$25 discount for additional students in the same family.**

*If you are unable to pay the full tuition, please contact Fr. Diran Bahajian at 201-791-2862. Inquiries will be kept confidential.*

Amount paid in September

Amount paid in January

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Father \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any allergies or medical conditions? (Please discuss with the principal)

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Please note any pertinent information about your child's academic ability that would help us better serve his/her needs.  
Example: Has your child been classified with any developmental, behavioral or learning disabilities?

**I/We GRANT permission for a photo/image that includes my child to be published on the St. Leon Armenian School and the Eastern Diocese public internet sites, and to be displayed in the Armenian School and in the publications of St. Leon.**

Circle either Yes or No and sign. Yes No

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

St. Leon Armenian School, 12-61 Saddle River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

*Save  
the  
Date*



*St. Leon Annual  
Food Festival  
October 15-16  
Details to follow...*



*Save  
the  
Date*

*St. Leon Women's Guild,  
Men's Fellowship &  
Storica Wines*



**Invite you to join  
"HYE SPIRITS"  
on Friday, November 4, 2022**



*Enjoy an evening with Great Friends,  
Great Wine, and Great Food!  
Details to follow...*



# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

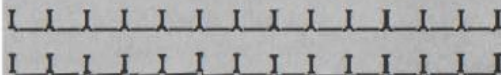
### Commemorative Brick Purchase:

#### English Letters

\_\_\_\_\_ 4" x 8" Brick @ \$125.00

Maximum of two lines, 13 letters per line

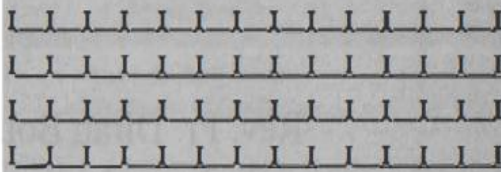
For 4" x 8" - engraving to read as follows: (please print clearly)



\_\_\_\_\_ 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](mailto:hyemom@optonline.net)  
201-666-5735

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

*All donations are tax deductible.*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Sept 11	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Mon	Sept 12	St Gregory of Narek Discussion (refer to flyer on page 12)
Fri	Sept 16	Armenian School Opening Day (look for registration form in this bulletin, page 13)
Sun	Sept 18	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy, St. Leon Open House ( in GYM) Sunday School Opening Day (look for registration link in this bulletin, page 7)
Fri	Sept 23	Armenian School
Sun	Sept 25	Morning Service, Divine Liturgy Sunday School
Fri	Sept 30	Armenian School

**Last Gospel:  
Gospel of John 12:28-33**

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

**Armenian Christmas – January 6, 2022**

**Easter – April 17, 2022**

**Transfiguration – July 24, 2022**

**Assumption of the Virgin Mary – August 14, 2022**

**Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 11, 2022**

