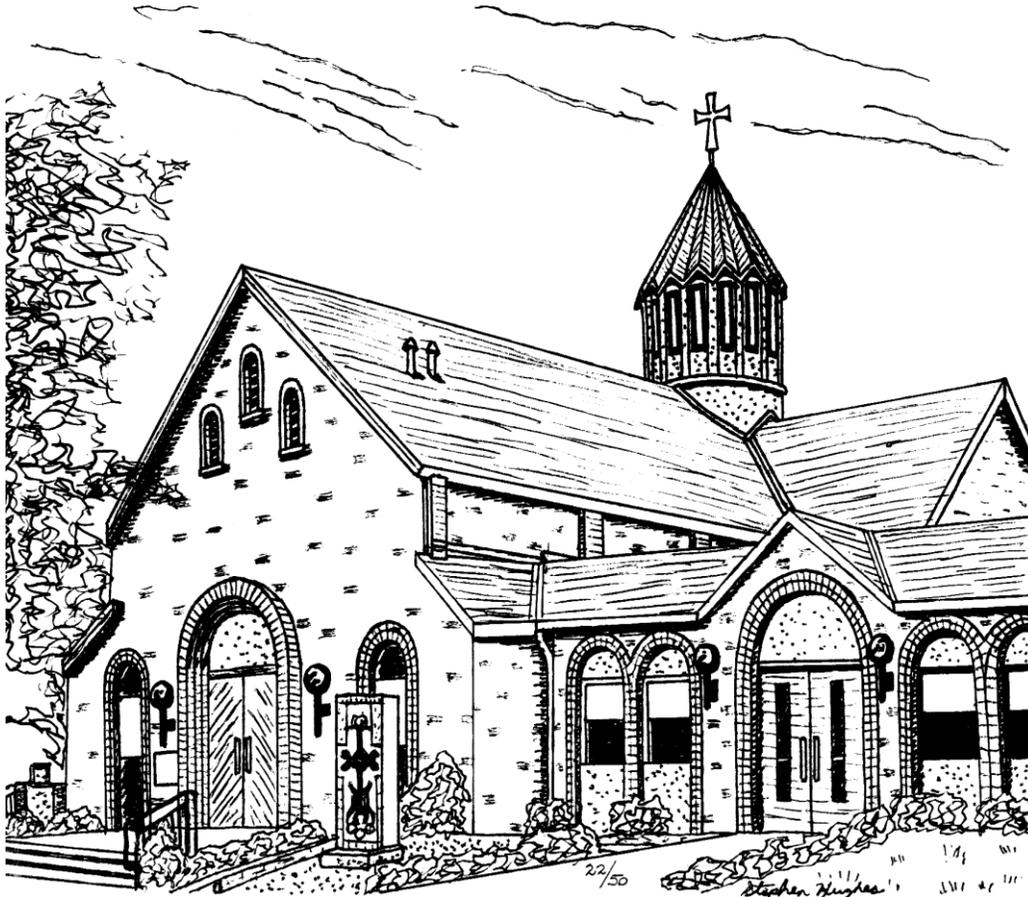


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Saint Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church

Granite City, Illinois

*Spring 2018*

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# **CHURCH SERVICES**

## **DIVINE LITURGY:**

Morning services start at 9:30 A.M. and the Divine Liturgy (*Badarak*) starts at 10:00 A.M. every Sunday  
Every Saturday Great Vespers at 5:00 P.M.

## **Other Services by Special Announcement**

### **ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES**

Every Saturday at 3:00 P.M. in church classroom or via Skype

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Year round, for all children. 10:30 – 12:00 every Sunday morning.  
Children's Sermon first Sunday of every month.

## **BAPTISM**

Church Service	Members (Parents only)	\$100
	Non-Member	\$150
Services of the Priest		Honorarium

## **WEDDING**

Church Service	Members (Bride or Groom)	\$150
	Non-Member	\$300
Services of the Priest		Honorarium
Services of the Organist		Honorarium
Services of the Soloist		Honorarium

## **FUNERAL**

Church Service	Member (Deceased)	\$100*
	Non-Member	\$250
Services of the Priest		Honorarium

\*Fee waived when 100% in lieu of flowers goes to St. Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church. This service is not available to non-members.

## **CHRISTMAS & EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS**

Services of the Priest	Honorarium
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## **MEMORIAL DAY GRAVE BLESSING**

Services of the Priest	Honorarium
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## **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE**

Per Person	\$100
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The dues-paying member has voting rights in the Annual Church membership meeting and can get discounts for church services or community center rentals.

## **COMMUNITY CENTER HALL RENTAL**

Full Hall	Member	\$500
	Non-Member	\$700
Half Hall	Member	\$375
	Non-Member	\$450

## **FOOD FOR STRENGTH**

### **Raising up Christian Children**

It is a great responsibility to raise children, especially Christian children. We all know the famous saying. “It needs a village to raise a child,” and this is very true in our time. In a time when our religious and specifically Christian and public secular values are going more and more in opposite directions, when traditional values and norms are getting vehemently opposed and rejected under the name of being more progressive, enlightened and tolerant, it is very imperative not only to the parents, the grandparents, the aunts and the uncles, but to the entire community of faith, in our case the Church, to be mindful and persistent in raising up Christian children.

Everything you do, start with prayer. Teach them to pray before everything. Prayer connects us to God and invites God into our lives. When we pray before meals, we remember God, thank him and eat a blessed food. When we invoke God’s name before we start our works, we remind ourselves that God is present with us. When we pray before troubles or give thanks to God after being successful in an area in our lives, we give honor and thanks to God, who made us successful or in case of trouble, is with us to empower and give strength. Teach your children to pray this way.

Do everything while you think about others. When you eat and drink, think about those who do not have it. When you work, think about the jobless and the poor. Occasionally, share your meal with those who do not have the luxury of eating what they want. Do not forget to do charity work, to volunteer, to help those who are needy. Ours is a self-centered, egoistic and “only me” culture. Our children are easily influenced by this individualistic culture to the point of not recognizing the needs of the other. Teach them how to think about others and how that is something we the Christians must constantly do.

Pull them away from the mindset of favoritism, partialism and clique-ism. Even though children attend the same school or the Sunday school, even though they are part of the same community, I noticed that there is a tendency to associate only with those their parents associate with and ignore the other children. This cannot build up a healthy community life and cannot teach them that for Christians there is no such thing as clique-ism or partialism. Christ belongs to everyone, he loved everyone, and he taught his children to do the same. Teach your children that everyone is a child of God like them, and they must love all the kids around them, play with them, share what they have and enjoy the blessings of God with them.

Teach them by your example the importance of going to Church, attending and participating in the services and reading the Bible at home. Do not give them words and instructions, but actions. They will follow what they see in you. Close off the TV a little bit, watch fewer sports games, talk little about unimportant things and instead create the atmosphere of a small Church at your home. Become a good example of getting ready early to go to Church on Sunday, with joy and utmost happiness, not as someone who is fulfilling an uninteresting obligation. Your children will notice how you go to the Church enthusiastically and live the teachings of the Church in your daily lives.

Teach your children the values of hard work, frugality, truth-telling, honesty, punctuality, and tolerance of other viewpoints (which does not mean abandoning your beliefs to appease others). Teach them that we live in a society and we have an obligation both to the local community around us

and to the country we live in. Teach them the joy of giving. Giving your time to help others, to volunteer, and to be available for those who need help. Teach them that life becomes meaningful only when you give, and you know that your reward is ready for you in heaven. Giving makes us feel we are not only consumers but producers of what is good and beautiful to others and to ourselves.

Finally, teach your kids about the Cross. Our Christian life is a surrender to the Cross and following the Crucified. They will face difficulties, calamities, and maybe tragedies. Everything is possible. We should prepare them that life has its difficult days, that the devil is always ready to ruin the beautiful things in our lives, and we should be ready to confront it with our faith and hope. Looking at life through the lens of the Cross and the ultimate resurrection is the best Christian outlook that we can provide our children. This is very realistic that avoids both the pessimism of a meaningless life and the lies of over-positivism, that denies our human reality. Teach them what life is all about, based on your experience, through the help of the grace of God, without forgetting the hope that we have as Christians. God bless all our children. Amen.

**Presented by**  
**Rev. Fr. Der Torkom Chorbajian**

## Ազգային Երեսփոխանական Ժողով-National Representative Assembly



The Eastern Prelacy concluded its 2018 National Representative Assembly (NRA) on May 12, 2018. Clergy delegates and Lay delegates representing our parishes joined the Executive Councils (Religious and Lay) at St. Gregory Church of Merrimack Valley in North Andover, Massachusetts.

His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Holy See of Cilicia, has formally requested that the election of a new prelate be postponed until September 2018, and has asked His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan to continue serving as Prelate of the Eastern Prelacy until the election that is scheduled to take place on September 22, 2018 at special meeting of the National Representative Assembly. Jack Mardoian, chairman of the Executive Council, made the announcement to the NRA, and after discussion the delegates unanimously agreed to accept His Holiness's request.

In his keynote address Archbishop Oshagan thanked the host community and praised their dedication. He reminded the delegates and guests, "Twenty years ago, by the election and the invitation of the Prelacy of the Eastern United States and Canada, I assumed my office as Prelate and after being re-elected for five terms, now today, other priorities become reason for me to stand before this honorable assembly to submit my resignation from my religious and administrative duties, with my best wishes for the continued success for the Prelacy's mission and service."

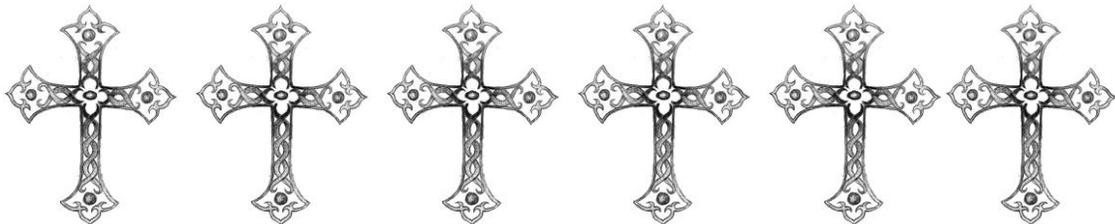
His Eminence ended with words of heartfelt thanks. "I feel it my heartfelt duty to extend my sincere thanks to all, without exception: to the Prelacy's Vicar, to our Clergy, to my Assembly co-workers, to the Prelacy staff, benefactors, to all compatriots of the church and nation. I beseech all of you to be

**With each other and for each other.** I end with the farewell words of our Lord Jesus Christ. ‘Love each other. Love your Church, our Fatherland, and people.’”



During the NRA banquet, before closing the awards ceremony, His Eminence announced a surprise-actually three surprises-when he called upon Rev. Fr. Mikael Der Khosrovian, pastor of Sourp Asdvadzadzin of Whitinsville, Rev. Fr. Kapriel Nazarian, pastor of Sts. Vartanantz of Providence, and our pastor Rev. Fr. Torkom Chorbajian, to come forward and accept the presentation of the Pectoral Cross (Lanchakhach) to wear on official occasions that is an honor bestowed on deserving clergymen.

(Source: Crossroads of the Armenian Prelacy)



**Լուրեր Հոգաբարձուքներն – Board of Trustees News**

*Jake Varadian*

Our board had a busy first quarter of the year. We started February by having a showing of the movie *The Last Inhabitant* at the Wiley Theater in Edwardsville. This was the St. Louis area premier of this movie. This event was held in conjunction with the Holy Virgin Mary & Shoghagat Armenian Church. Later in the month, we had our Dyarnuntarach service. After the service, we had our annual bonfire. All of those in attendance had a wonderful time.

In early March, we had our annual membership meeting. Janet Haroian was elected to a term as our National Representative Assembly representative. We were unable to hold elections for trustees at this meeting so we postponed the elections. In the middle of March, we had the honor of hosting Oshagan Surpazan for his final visit in his official capacity as our Prelate. We wanted to thank Surpazan for his twenty years of serving the Prelacy as Prelate and for all of the good things he has done for our parish. To honor Surpazan, we hosted a concert in church after badarak. Onnik Dinkjian sang and Ara Dinkjian accompanied on the organ. Onnik sang songs of sacred music of the church. After the concert those in attendance were invited to the community center for fellowship. We presented Surpazan with a gift that was for a donation to the Syrian Relief Fund. This has been a cause close to Surpazan's heart for many years.

The last week of March started Holy Week. We had services Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights and on Easter Sunday, April 1. Some nights were better attended than others. Der Hayr and the board would always like to see more attendance during this, the holiest week of the year.

On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, we observed the 103<sup>rd</sup> commemoration of the Armenian Genocide. Like last year, we did this jointly with the Armenian church in Belleville. Badarak was well attended and the requiem service was held outside at their martyr's monument. The traditional madagh meal was served afterwards with speeches and performances by members of both communities.

Finally, in May we celebrated Mother's Day. The men from the board prepared and served an excellent meal to honor all of the mother's in our church. It was a festive day filled with love for all of the great mother's in our parish.

As we enter the summer months, the board will begin working on all of the events that happen in the Fall and Winter. We thank all of those that give of their time, talent, and treasure to make this church the great place that it is.

**Լուրեր Սրբոց Սերովբեից Երգախումբին – Holy Seraphim Choir News**

*Rose Lesko*

We continue to improve upon the hymns of the Divine Liturgy, while also focusing on improving the hymns we sing only on feast days. We are thrilled to have Sam Spataro back in full voice. He was definitely missed while on his leave.

In commemoration of the 102<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, we joined forces with the with our sister church in Belleville, Holy Shoghagat & Virgin Mary. It was a great day for the choir

to have had so many talented individuals singing the music of the Badarak. We look forward to next year.

In September, we will participate in the Lincoln Place Heritage Association Festival by sponsoring a booth to sell lulu kebab sandwiches, lehmajoon, loosnag, and cheese boereg. We hope to see many of our parishioners at this event. I have heard that this will be the final year for this festival so let's make it a great event.

We are always in need of additional voices so if you are interested in joining the Choir, please reach out to one of us. Finally, the Choir wishes to extend a special thank you to Der Torkom for his guidance and support.

### Լուրեր Կիրակնօրեայ Վարժարանէն – Sunday School News

*Jean Nalbandian*

We have had a very productive Sunday school year! We spent the year reading Bible stories, practicing the Hayr Mer and the Sign of the Cross, learning a few Armenian words, and learning lessons about being good Christians through the letters of the alphabet. We made many, many fun arts and crafts projects, many of which we hung about the church. The children also did some small community service projects such as making cards for those in need, creating "prayer rocks" and decorating for Christmas. Our kids helped out at Badarak, as well, by serving on the altar, singing in the choir, reading at holy services, and helping with the collection and candles. We enjoyed the children's sermons by Der Hayr and tried to squirm as little as possible in those church pews. We also met new friends, had silly times, a few wild times in the toy room, and ate lots of good food!

Many thanks to those of you who attended our Sunday School Open House in May and visited our classrooms and donated to our Sunday School fund. A special thank you to Sue and Sam Spataro for donating new child-sized robes!

Although we are officially "out for summer," the rooms are still open for kids and families, and we encourage you to bring your kiddos to church. We will start up again in September, so look for notices in the church bulletin and in the Pari Loor.

### Լուրեր Տիկնանց Միութենէն – Ladies' Guild News

*Lynne Hagopian*

The Ladies Guild elected a new executive for CYs 2018 and 2019 during our March meeting. Colleen Varadian - Chairperson, Susan Hagopian - Vice-Chairperson, Lori Saucier-Treasurer, Lynne Hagopian-Secretary, Yeretsgin Chorbajian and Leslie Mikaelian-Advisors.

The Guild continued its tradition of baking and selling choreg after Easter services as well as dyeing and selling Easter eggs.

The Guild sponsored an Agoomp on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Although attendance was sparse, the food prepared by our Ladies was plentiful and everyone present had a good time sharing old photographs.

The Guild is currently collecting personal care items during the month of May for the Good Samaritan House, a very worthwhile charity in Granite City. So far, our parishioners have been very generous.

The Guild is busy planning our Father's Day luncheon, to be held on June 17<sup>th</sup> and our choreg baking class, to be held on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to join us (especially those wanting to learn) on June 24<sup>th</sup>.

### ԼՆՐԽՐ Է.Օ.Մ.ԷԸ - Armenian Relief Society News

*Janet Haroian*

Special thanks to the Ungerouhies that prepared the meal for the ARS Anniversary in March and assisted with the clean-up after the event. The stuffed peppers (Susie Hagopian) were a delicious offering along with the salad, homemade cookies (Sue Spataro) and anniversary cake (Melanie Haroian).

In just a few short summer months, the ARS annual convention will take place in Boca Raton, Florida, August 9-12. The hotel/resort location for the meeting has offered a special rate several days prior to and after the convention for those interested in making a summer vacation out of their convention trip. Anyone interested in attending on behalf of the Reubena Chapter, please contact one of the executive members. Credentials have to be submitted in a timely manner to the regional board prior to the meeting. It is always a great opportunity to participate in this capacity and meet fellow Ungerouhies from our Eastern Region. We also have raffle tickets available for sale at \$10 each with many beautiful prizes available. The winning tickets will be drawn at the convention banquet on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

The ARS Eastern Region Board of Directors has informed the chapters that there are several orphans available for adoption that no longer have sponsors. The amount to sponsor is \$200 per year. Let me know if you have an interest in sponsoring a young person through the Orphan Sponsorship program.

The Regional Board organized a conference call about the use of Facebook for chapters particularly noting the format for sharing news, events and fundraising, along with proper writing style and posting of photographs. The Reubena Chapter does not have a formal Facebook page however, members have shared our activities and events with their friends and the church's FB page. If someone is interested and/or willing to take on the responsibility of creating a Reubena page, please let me know and I can pass along the info shared during the conference call.

The ARS Regional Board offers support for camperships at Camp Haiastan every summer. They provide two one-week sessions to children in need who wish to attend. Each camp session is two weeks long so they would assist with one week for 2 children. Those interested in applying should contact David Hamparian, Executive Director, Camp Haiastan, by calling 508-520-1312. The camping season is just about one month away so contact should be made as soon as possible.

As we look to the future, the ARS will once again participate in the Lincoln Place Heritage Festival on September 22nd. This appears to be the final festival planned after many years of promoting the ethnic populations that settled in the Lincoln Place area of Granite City. All members will be asked to support the festival with donations of soda and water for our Reubena beverage booth and

volunteers will be needed to work the event. There are always amazing entertainers representing the roots of the neighborhood and plenty of great food available for purchase. Mark your calendars for this event and thanks to our Ungerouhie Norma Asadorian for organizing the LPHF for so many years and inviting the ARS to have a booth.

The ARS is always looking for new members interested in the humanitarian work we do all around the world. If you know someone or are interested yourself in joining our chapter, please contact me, Susie Hagopian or Leslie Mikaelian. We would be happy to provide more information and invite you to our next event or a chapter meeting.

**Լուսին Հ.Գ.Ս. Էս – Armenian Youth Federation**

*Stephen Hagopian*

The Granite City “Antranig” AYF Chapter has had a great start to the 2018 year. We recently had 5 of our members attend the annual AYF Junior Seminar Education weekend outside of Philadelphia, PA. The AYF this year moved the location of the camp from the Prospect, PA to Schweckensville, PA. This camp provided more occupancy space compared to Camp Lutherlyn and there were over 400 AYF Junior and Senior members in attendance for the weekend. A couple of reactions from our members are listed below:

**Elle Krikorian’s** favorite part of the weekend was learning more about Armenian culture with people from all around the country. She learned, this year, that the first republic lasted for two years and had the first woman Ambassador, Diana Abgar. **Mira Nalbandian’s** favorite part of the weekend was meeting new Armenians from across the country. She learned about the recent Velvet Revolution in Armenia. **Ryan Varadian’s** favorite part of the weekend was free time playing sports and getting to know fellow members. One aspect he really took away from the weekend was how active Armenians are in their local communities in the diaspora. **Sarah Varadian’s** favorite part of the weekend was also the free time after lunch and dinner. One takeaway from the weekend for Sara was the role of women during Armenians struggle for independence after the Armenian Genocide. This was Sara’s first year going to camp and she cannot wait to go back in the future!

The chapter is now looking forward to the AYF Mid-West Junior Olympics in Detroit this year on July 13-15<sup>th</sup>. The chapter is also looking forward to its annual dance on November 17<sup>th</sup>!

ST. GREGORY ARMENIAN CHURCH  
**ANNUAL GOLF OUTING**

**10.13.18**



9 am shotgun start



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**\$75 PER GOLFER**

- **Tournament Entry**  
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  - Beer
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  - Skins Game
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# AYF-YOARF MIDWEST JUNIOR OLYMPICS



**Chicago**  
Ararat

**Detroit**  
Kopernik Tandourjian

**Granite City**  
Antranig

**Racine**  
Armen Caro

## FRIDAY JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>

Picnic - 7:00 pm

Rotary Park  
32184 6 mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48152

Join us for food,  
leisurely activities,  
and fun!

## SATURDAY JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>

Track & Field - 9:30 am

Franklin High School  
31000 Joy Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

Event sign-up  
information to come!

## SATURDAY JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>

Dance - 7:30 pm

St. Sarkis Lillian Arakelian Hall  
19300 Ford Road  
Dearborn, MI 48128

Featuring Detroit's very  
own DJ M-Kay &  
The Nigolian Band!



## HOTEL INFORMATION

Detroit Marriott Livonia  
17100 Laurel Park Dr. Livonia, MI 48152

**734-462-3100**

AYF Room Block (15 rooms)  
**Book By: June 29th**

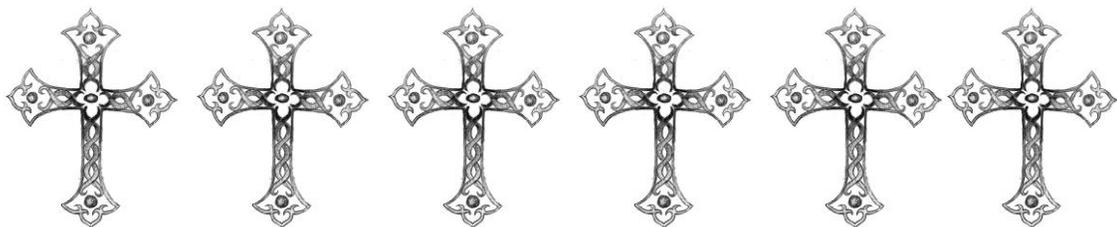
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Easter 2018**

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Jeff & Lynne Hagopian  
Paul & Janet Bogosian  
Emmanuel Sonia Ohannesian  
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Janet Haroian  
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Kenneth & Maria Dyson and Family  
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Lori Saucier  
Greg and Debbie Hightaian  
Greg Bogosian  
Ed & Laura Haroian

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**Gift to the Church-Եկեղեցւոյ Նուիրատուութիւն**

**Russell and Clara Waterson**  
For Holy Martyrs day



Հոգեհանգստեան Պաշտոն - Requiem Service

**February 18, 2018**

**Sam Manoogian**

By John Manoogian

**Hagop and Edward Asadorian**

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

**Gohar and Valodia Margaryan**

By Lyudmila Grigorian

**February 25, 2018**

**Deceased ARS Members**

By Eastern Prelacy and ARS

**Pamela (Throne) Atkinson**

By Mary, Michael, Rosemary, Janet, Melanie,  
and Stephen Haroian

**March 4, 2018**

**Harutyoon and Sarkis Hatikian,**

**Kevork and Clara Knadjian**

By Mary Hatikian

**Helen Shrikian**

Asadorian and Keeney Families

**March 11, 2018**

**Rev. Fr. Vartan Kassabian,**

**Richard McClintock**

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

**March 25, 2018**

**Zabelle Arzrouni,**

**Rosa Asadorian-Jones**

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

**Josephine Candido, Seon Choi**

By Dolbashian Family

**Svetlana Avakyan**

By Karine Mikaelyan

**Proudian and Chorbajian Families**

Rev. Fr. Torkom and Yeretsgeen Chorbajian

**April 8, 2018**

**Andrew and Angeline Hagopian, Michael**

**Hagopian, Wallace Lee, Kathy Ovian,**

**Lawrence and Mildred Geisendorff, Mark**

**Alashaian**

By Stephen S. Hagopian

**Helen Liedel**

By Takouhie Kakligian

**Rev. Fr. Vartan Kassabian,**

**May 13, 2018 (continued)**

**Pileg & Zavart Kakligian, Rose Meharian,**

**Archdeacon Vahan Haroian, JoAnn Mullen**

By Deacon Ed and Mrs. Laura Haroian and  
Family

**April 15, 2018**

**Hermine Kambarian,**

**Boghos Muradyan**

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

**Grant Korkoyan, Mauel Esayian**

By the Esayian Family

**Kathy Ovian**

By Raffi Ovian

**April 22, 2018**

**All the souls of the deceased survivors of the  
Armenian Genocide**

**May 06, 2018**

**Virgil Kambarian Sr.**

By Asdaorian and Keeney Families

**Mary Bedian**

**Angeline, Andrew, Michael Hagopian**

**Wallace Lee, Kathy Ovian**

Stephen S. Hagopian

**May 13, 2018**

**Mary Asadorian, Hermine Kambarian, Ann**

**Keeney, Alice McClintock, Angeline**

**Hagopian, Mary Merzian, Esther Merzian,**

**Mary Bedian**

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

**Angeline Hagopian, Mary Bedian**

Jeff and Lynne Hagopian, Steve and Susie

Hagopian

**Mary Koch, Mariam Varadian, Kathy Ovian,**

**Mary Alice Candisky, Caroline Koch**

Hagop and Barbara Varadian

**Parentzem Manoogian**

Yervant Manoogian

**Mariam Guirdjikian, Ozig Seherdjian,**

**Mentouhi Ohanesian, Zabel Astorian,**

**Beatrice Kiladjian, Angeline Hagopian**

By Manny and Sonia Ohannesian

**Alice Saucier, Nevart Hagopian, Beulah**

**Saucier**

By Lori Sacuer, Garo and Leslie Mikaelian and

Family

**May 20, 2018**

**Helen Ovian**

<p><b>Lucy Avdoian, Anahid Maghalian Satenig Geragosian, Marguerite Manoogian, Mary Siuramy</b> By Takouhie Kakligian <b>Parantzem Haroian, Dzaghig Asadourian</b> By Deacon and Mrs. Edward Haroian</p>	<p>By Raffi Ovian <b>May 27, 2018</b> <b>Megan Malloy</b> By Art, Pam, Andy and Chelsea Asadorian</p>
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**Խնորհուած Աղօթիչ-Prayer Request**

<p><b>February 4, 2018</b> <b>Edward Dolbashian</b> By Steve and Susie Hagopian <b>February 18, 2018</b> <b>Nancy Tashjian</b> By Ed Haroian and Family <b>February 25, 2018</b> <b>Bob Jung</b> By Hagop and Barbara Varadian, John, Colleen, Ryan, Sarah And Nicholas Varadian, Jeff and Lynne Hagopian <b>Yervant Manoogian</b> By Deacon Edward and Laura Haroian</p> <p><b>March 4, 2018</b> <b>Jerry Kadlec</b> By George and Lindsey Schweitzer</p> <p><b>April 1, 2018</b> <b>Mary Asadorian</b> By Asadorian and Keeney Families, Stephen and Susie Hagopian and Family <b>April 15, 2018</b> <b>Hagop Varadian</b> By Raffi Ovian</p>	<p><b>May 06, 2018</b> <b>Mary Parsaghian</b> By Yervant Manoogian, Steve and Susie Hagopian, Jeff and Lynne Hagopian Joe Kazmerik By Mr and Mrs Hagop and Barbara Varadian Ralph Markarian Steve and Susie Hagopian, Stephen S. Hagopian <b>May 20, 2018</b> <b>Ralph Markarian, Mary Parsaghian, Aubrey Andress, Blakely Andress, Heather Carich</b> By Steve &amp; Susie Hagopian <b>Allen Crocker</b> By Raffi Ovian <b>Jean Smith</b> By Hagop and Barbara Varadian <b>May 27, 2018</b> <b>Mary Baghboudarian</b> By Rev. Fr. Torkom and Yeretsgeen Chorbajian</p>
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**Community News**

**Birth**

Dr. George and Lindsey Schweitzer, son and daughter-in-law of Mr. & Mrs. John and Christina Schweitzer, gave birth to their third child, a daughter, **Alice Joy Schweitzer**, on March 22, 2018. Congratulations to Dr. George and Lindsey Schweitzer and to the entire Schweitzer and Greene families.

## COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS

Feb. 4 - ARS Souper Bowl Luncheon  
11 - BOT  
18 - BOT  
25 - ARS

Mar. 4 - Membership Meeting  
11 - Maria Dyson & Family  
18 - Onnik Dinkjian Concert & Reception  
25 - ARS

April 1 - Easter Sunday  
8 - BOT  
15 - Varadian Family  
22 - Martyrs' Day – Holy Shoghagat Church  
29 - Genny Esayian & Family

May 6 - BOT  
13 - BOT Mother's Day Luncheon  
20 - Sunday School Closing  
27 - BOT

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17 Father's Day luncheon sponsored by the Ladies Guild  
24 Choreg Baking Class sponsored by the Ladies Guild  
July 1-8 St. Gregory of Datev Institute  
8 Feast of the Transfiguration - Vartavar water games  
22 Ice Cream Social sponsored by the Fellowship Club  
August 12 Assumption of the Holy Mother of God – Annual Church Picnic  
September 16 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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	22	Պաղպաղակի հիւրասիրութիւն
Օգոստոս	12	Վերափոխումն Ս. Աստուածածնի, խաղողօրհնէք եւ տարեկան դաշտահանդէս
Սեպտեմբեր	16	Տօն Վերացման Սրբոյ Խաչին եւ մեծահանդէս Թափօր Ս

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