

# Charles Mosesian Makes \$1 Million Commitment to St. James Armenian Church

Dedicated philanthropist and lifelong St. James parishioner Charles Mosesian has committed a gift of \$1 million to the St. James Armenian Church and its 75th Anniversary Capital Campaign. In honor of Mr. Mosesian's magnanimous contribution, the St. James Cultural and Youth Center will be renamed and dedicated the Charles Mosesian Youth and Cultural Center.

This generous contribution is added to the \$2 million pledged to date by St. James parishioners and friends. The Capital Campaign will fund the realization of the Strategic Plan for the parish, which includes infrastructure improvements, and new programming and ministries.



*Rev. Fr. Arakel Aljalian, Pastor of St. James, with Charleen Onanian, Charles Mosesian, and Elaine Mosesian.* 



Charles Mosesian (left), one of the Godfathers of the building of the St. James Cultural and Youth Center, at the groundbreaking ceremony in 1966.

meet the needs of our parishioners and secure the future of our church. Participation – however large or small – is what is important in the eyes of God. If God has blessed us with it, we must share it and do something meaningful with it. Charlie Mosesian is

Charlie Mosesian has been involved throughout St. James history. He was an original Godfather of the Cultural Center. Rightly, Mr. Mosesian shared his belief: "I believe that, after the Genocide, it was the Armenian Church that kept us together as Armenians."

The inspiration for his gift, according to his daughter Charleen Onanian, was simple: "He wanted to make sure that the children, who are our future, grow up to be caring and compassionate, and involved and dedicated to Armenian causes."

Rev. Fr. Arakel Aljalian, Pastor of St. James, noted: "St. James extends its most sincere gratitude to Charlie Mosesian and his family. This generous act of stewardship will help our church realize many of its goals. The renovation of the St. James Cultural Center – soon to be named the Charles Mosesian Youth and Cultural Center – is a key priority for our church, as that is where much of our 'St. James life' takes place. It is where our youth gather, our children learn, and our parishioners come together in friendship and fellowship. Charlie has created an incredible legacy in the St. James community, which will benefit generations of parishioners for years to come."

Fr. Arakel added, "Our church community has come together in support of this Capital Campaign. We must each continue to do what we can to surpass our goals and continue to fulfill our vision – to a living example of this stewardship. Our work continues and we continue to move forward, all for the future of St. James, the Armenian Church, and the glory of God."

Pontifical Visit to New England of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians.



# PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

ARRY S. TRUMAN ONCE SAID "it is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit." This is one of my favorite quotes from our 33rd President, and I was reminded of it last month during the Pontifical Visit of His Holiness, Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians. During Vehapar's visit to the Boston area, dozens of volunteers from churches throughout the New England Region came together to help present a series of events in honor of this historic visit from His Holiness.

His Holiness arrived in Boston on Friday evening, October 5th. Immediately upon his arrival, he was transported by motorcade to International Place, in Boston's financial district where he participated in an evening of Armenian culture and fellowship for young professionals and college aged young adults. The following morning, Saturday, October 6th, there was a Children's Breakfast in Keljik Hall, followed by Hrashapar Service in the St. James sanctuary where almost 300 children from parishes throughout New England had the opportunity to pray with Vehapar, greet him individually, and receive his blessing and a special gift.

Immediately following the children's service in the St. James sanctuary, Vehapar returned to Keljik Hall where he was greeted by over 150 enthusiastic teenagers, eagerly awaiting the opportunity to spend time with His Holiness. Vehapar sat with teenagers from all over New England and enjoyed a lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers. The events themselves were truly historic, and numerous accounts have already been published by those far more eloquent than I. Beyond the events themselves, however, was the Herculean effort of a group of volunteers.

It was inspiring to see volunteers from different parishes come together with a common goal and work as a team. Of course, we thank all of the St. James volunteers and parents for their hard work throughout the weekend. The collective attitude was a simple one: serve humbly for our love of our church, our community, and our heritage and because...let's face it, that's what we do. We help when help is needed. We work when there is work to be done. Our neighbors are not just those who live next to us, but rather those with whom we band together to face adversity, rejoice in triumph, come together in fellowship and most importantly, join in worship. We do it for our church, but even more, we do it for each other. Without question, this is the spirit that has caused the Armenian people to endure for over 2000 years.

In order to ensure that the Armenian people, and the Armenian Church, continue to endure for centuries to come, we must cling to this spirit of unselfish giving of ourselves in order to enrich the lives of our neighbors, through which our own lives are enriched. So the next time you have an opportunity to serve the church, serve humbly, and remember, "it is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit."

- Scott Kapilian, Parish Council Chairman

**Parish Notes** Dr. Guleserian Gives Life and Hope, and Makes Dreams Come True



Photo by Jim McIsaac/Getty Images/WBZ TV

Parishioners were touched by the story of Dr. Kristine Guleserian, daughter Ed and Nancy Guleserian and a surgeon at Children's Medical Center in Dallas, and 13-year-old heart transplant recipient Andrew Madden of Odessa, Texas. Dr. Guleserian, Andrew's heart transplant surgeon and a Boston Rex Sox fan, not only gave Andrew the gift of life by but also gave him a wonderful Vertime Andrew, also a Red Sox fan,

memory to last a long lifetime. Andrew, also a Red Sox fan, attended Game 2 of the World Series at Fenway Park and – a dream come true – threw out the first pitch with Dr. Guleserian at his side. We congratulate Dr. Guleserian, who truly embodied hope and love for Andrew, and pray that God continue to bless her as she carries on in her good works.

# A NOTE OF THANKS FROM Der Arsen and Yn. Varteni,

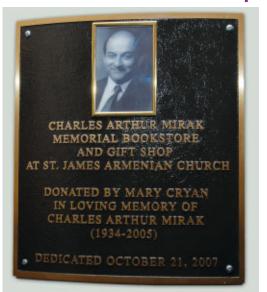
Our heartfelt thanks to Der Arakel and Yn. Natasha Aljalian, the Parish Council, Women's Guild, Mr. and Mrs. Group, Ruth Harutunian, Shake Gabriel, Valentine Garabedian, Marsha Alabachian, Linda Sahagian, Manus Ipek, Leslie Cristello and their crews for the wonderful party on Sunday, October 14, in the Church's Armene and Veronica Tarvezian Hall in celebration of our 75th Birthdays. We also extend our gratitude to all who remembered us with gifts, flowers, cards, best wishes and prayers. Thanks also to Cheryl Keane and Sharon Bazarian for their special favors of taking of pictures that day. It was a memorable occasion which we shall always cherish with fond memories and gratitude.

#### With gratitude and love,

— Der Arsen and Yn. Varteni Barsamian

# Opening of the Charles Arthur Mirak Memorial Bookstore and Gift Shop





The dedication and opening of the Charles Mirak Memorial Bookstore and Gift Shop, located beneath the church, was held on October 21, 2007.

Our new Bookstore and Gift Shop is made possible through a generous donation by Mary Cryan, of blessed memory, in loving memory of Charles Mirak, on the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of St. James. We sincerely appreciate the generosity of Mary Cryan and pray that God rest her soul in His eternal kingdom. We also extend our continued gratitude to the entire Mirak family.

Armenian books, music, jewelry and gifts are available for purchase in the Bookstore and Gift Shop. Visit us on Sundays after Divine Liturgy!



## ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND

A Venerable Christian Practice

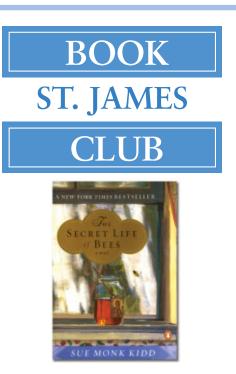
Remember St. James Armenian Church in Your Will.

Special Thanks to...

- Gadar (Catherine) Barsam of blessed memory for remembering St. James in her will and for her bequest of \$140,000 to the church to create the Leo & Gadar Barsam Memorial Endowment Fund. May God rest her soul in His Eternal Kingdom.
- Anna Dickie Tashjian of blessed memory for remembering St. James in her will and for her bequest of \$5,000 to the church. May God rest her soul in His Eternal Kingdom.
- Leon, Marion, and Mark Semonian and Wendy and Bill Eppich for a donation of \$1,000 to be added to the Leslie Semonian Memorial Fund to benefit the Leslie Semonian Computer Center at St. James Armenian Church.
- → John and Debbie Giragosian and family for a donation of \$1,000 to St. James.
- Carl and Linda Bazarian for a donation of \$500 to St. James.
- Nuth Harutunian for her donation of \$100 to be added to the Ohannes and Julia Harutunian and Mariam Kavonian Memorial Fund.

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# **Attention Avid Readers!**

As announced in the last issue of the Looys, we are pleased to announce our new St. James Book Club!

The first Book Club selection is: **The Secret Life of Bees** by Sue Monk Kidd

The first gathering of the Book Club will be on Saturday, January 19, 2008.

( Time and location to be announced.)

Our next Book Club selection will be announced on that date.

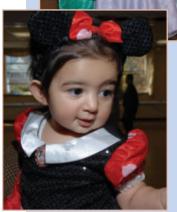
We aim to read one book approximately every 2 months, and will read books of all genres. If you have not yet done so, please contact Yn. Natasha at aljalian@comcast.net or by calling (617) 923-8990 if you would like to be a part of the Book Club, or if you have suggestions for future books.

All are welcome!

# Sunday School

# Halloween Party







# Homecoming Sunday









# **ACYOA Seniors**

his past Memorial Day Weekend many of our ACYOA Seniors traveled to Detroit, Michigan to attend the ACYOA General Assembly and Sports Weekend, hosted by St. John's Armenian Church. The weekend started with the General Assembly meetings, which began on Thursday evening and continued went well into Friday evening. After the meetings, ACYOA Seniors from across the country gathered for an evening of fellowship and dancing at the Detroit Institute of Art. Saturday morning brought sports competition, in which St. James competed in co-ed volleyball with Sts. Sahag and Mesrob from Providence, RI. Sports concluded on Sunday at St. John's Armenian Church with the combined St. James/Sts. Sahag and Mesrob team winning first place volleyball in straight sets. Saturday evening's dance was held at Ford Field, and the Sunday evening awards banquet was held at St. John's Armenian Church. The weekend's festivities ended on Monday with at picnic on the church grounds.



Amanda Kavjian, who is currently studying at the University of Connecticut, participated in the Diocesan Armenia Service Program this summer. Amanda spent time working with young Armenian children at the camp in Yeghegnadzor.

The ACYOA Seniors were busy this summer as they participated in Diocesan programs. Some members spent the summer serving as counselors at St. Vartan Camp and St. Nersess Seminary, and a St. James presence was felt around the world in Armenia with participants in the Diocesan Armenia Service Project. Members also teamed up with several ACYOA Juniors members and volunteered to assist with our 2007 St. James Vacation Bible School.

Members of the ACYOA Seniors were involved and busy preparing for the visit of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, and serving at the St. James Annual Bazaar. St. James ACYOA Seniors members will participate in the November New England Regional Retreat, and are currently planning a fall calendar of events.

If you are interested in joining the ACYOA Seniors, please email Jennifer Tagarelis at jennifer.tagarelis@gmail.com. All are welcome!

## Altar Servers & Senior Choir

A warm welcome is extended to Ani Ross Grubb who has joined the Choir. Ani recently relocated from California to Cambridge.

In preparation for the Pontifical Divine Liturgy of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, Altar Servers and Choir Members attended two mandatory rehearsals. Altar Servers participating in the Pontifical Divine Liturgy were: Vartan Babikyan, Shant Broukian, Haik Diloyan, Mark Giragosian, Armand Paboojian and Herman Purutyan. Choir members who participated were: Hamest Atamian, Carol Babikyan, Marguerite Daniell, Elise Dilsizian, Ani Ross Grubb, Harry Harutunian, Lucy Mardirosian, Dziadzan Sahagian, Robert Sanasarian, Nicole Simmons, Toros Yeterian, and Barbara Young.

Consider serving the Church and joining the Choir! Our continuous goal is to have a full choir for all services, including Sunday Divine Liturgy and services held on Feast Days and holidays.

Speak to our Director, Maestro Artur Veranian, on Sunday if you would like to join us!

Lucy Mardirosian, Chair



# Junior Choir

he Junior Choir began the fall season of rehearsals preparing for the Children's Service on the occasion of the Pontifical Visit of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, which was held at St. James on Saturday, October 6, 2007.

St. James Junior Choir members singing in the Junior Choir (combining with junior choir members from other New England parishes) included: Maria Airapetyan, Adelaida Balagyiozian, Nelli Balian, Zareh Deirmendjian, Nareg Kalaydjian, Amelia Petrosyan, Naneh Petrosyan, Dziadzan Sahagian, Zabelle Simmons, Natasha Simmons, and Cristina Veranian.

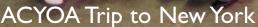
Cristina Veranian also performed a beautiful solo of *Oorakh Ler*, accompanied by our organist Nune Hakobyan. The junior choir members performed under the direction of Maestro Artur Veranian. Also present that day was Maestro Konstantin Petrossian, director of the Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Junior Choir from Providence, RI.

This was indeed a unique and special performance for our Junior Choir members, the memories of which will last a lifetime.

We encourage all children to join the Junior Choir. If you have any questions, please call Lucy Mardirosian at (781) 938-8339 or Barbara Young at (617) 484-1949.

Lucy Mardirosian







A group of ACYOA members headed down to White Plains, New York to join their church friends for a dance held at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church. The ACYOA members also participated in Divine Liturgy, and saw some Manhattan highlights, including the Diocese and Times Square.

## **MEN'S Club**

Wendy Murphy, author of "And Justice for Some" was a guest speaker at the Men's Club's October gathering.

Some of the kitchen volunteers at our Men's Club evenings. ▼





# **ACYOA** Juniors

Newly-elected 2007-2008 ACYOA Juniors Executive Committee



(L to R front row): Christine Hovsepian, Vice Chair; Alicia Raphalian, Chair; Ani Moushigian, Treasurer (L to R back row): Brenda Khederian, Youth Director; Shane Madden, Corresponding Secretary; Patrick Hovsepian, Recording Secretary; Mark Giragosian, ACYOA Seniors Advisor.

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# WOMEN'S GUILD

ALTHOUGH THE MEMDERS OF THE GUILD were in the midst of preparing for the Bazaar, we had time to "welcome" all members back after a restful summer at our September Welcome Back dinner. Bea Ohannessian and her team (Margaret Janikian, Leona Kevorkian, Elaine Patapanian, Shirley Onanian, Ora Margosian, Alice Kalajian, Shakea Gabriel, Jennifer Tagarelis, Lori Tagarelis, Lucy Aroyan, Alice Seferian, and Alice Mellian) prepared the traditional khyema and losh kebab dinner. Over 60 members and friends



enjoyed a wonderful dinner and the camaraderie of friends, and celebrated Stella Tonry's birthday.

Of course, the following four weeks were spent in rolling, mixing, baking, cutting, dicing, and chopping, as we prepared for the Bazaar Pastry Booth. This year we added toorshi and string cheese – items that we had not offered for a few years. The cooperation from many church parishioners emphasized the importance of our Church community being involved and working together. Mary Koumjian contributed her expertise in making the porov kufte, Mary Bazarian volunteered as our yalanchi chef, Valentine Garabedian added her touch to the boereg, cream khadayif, and string cheese, and Mark Kavonian pickled the toorshi. Our manti preparer Hrip Parsekian, choreg baker Ruth Harutunian, and paklava baker Sona Iskandarian rounded out our Guild chefs. Gladys Clinton and her staff organized the pastry table and continued to learn the intricacies of the electron registers. Of course, we must thank Harry Adamian for assisting in the most exhausting job – standing in front of the hot ovens and baking all these delicacies. A job well done by all!

As I have said before, all work and no play is not our motto. Alyce Gelenian, our tour director, planned and conducted trips to Foxwoods and New Hampshire. Thank you Alyce! We enjoyed a

> delicious luncheon, immediately after the Bazaar, where discussions on the success of the pastry booth were highlighted.

Our election and awards dinner was held in November. Aracse Kurkjian is donating and preparing the dinner in memory of her husband, John, and her father-in-law, Levon. Ten year awards were presented to Leona Kevorkian and Grace Takvorian, and the twenty-five award to Virginia Kozelian. Our Christmas dinner and party will be held on December 8, 2007 at Byblos Restaurant in Norwood. All are welcome

The Women's Guild is evolving and invites all women from our parish to join us in all our activities.





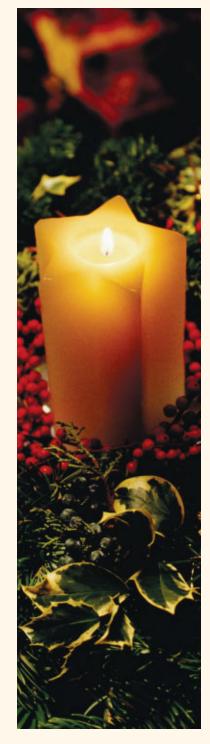
The first Fall meeting of the St. James Mr. & Mrs. Group was held on Friday, September 14, 2007 in Mirak Hall. After a dinner of pizza, Chairmen Ed Mesrobian and Paul Khederian welcomed everyone back. Our next meetings were held on October 19, 2007 in Mirak Hall with the committee serving a tasty Italian dinner, and on November 16, 2007. All are welcome to join the Mr. and Mrs. Group! New members are always welcome!

— Paul Khederian



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#### Saturday, January 5, 2008

Eve of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ 6:00 pm – Evening Service and Reading of Scriptures 7:00 pm – Divine Liturgy

#### Sunday, January 6, 2008

Feast of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ Blessing of Water in Remembrance of Our Lord's Baptism 8:30 am – Morning Service 10:00 am – Divine Liturgy



#### Շաբաթ, Յունուար 5, 2008

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Lunch & Dinner Served ALL DAY Please join us for Authentic ARMENIAN CUISINE Lamb, Losh, & Chicken Kebab. Kheyma, Rice Pilaf, Eetch, Salad, TAKE OUT AVAILABLE

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Catholicos Karekin II Project The 2nd Walkathon was held on September 30, 2007. Special thanks to Sharon Bazarian for once again organizing this year's walkathon.

Our parish has pledged to raise enough money over a two-year period to build three houses. The total amount we've raised to date through the Walkathon is \$9,265.

Thank you all for your support!



St. James Parish Trip to Armenia June 24 - July 6, 2008

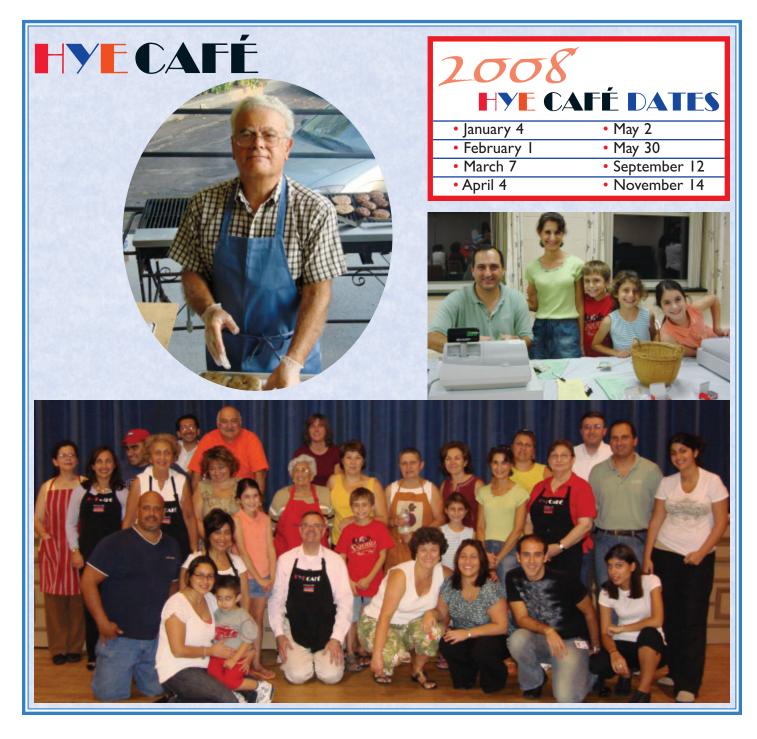
# **New Vision**

t. James New Vision sponsored another successful Silent Auction at the Annual Bazaar held on October 12 and 13, 2007. The Silent Auction Committee included Florence Bahtiarian, Michael Bahtiarian, Karen Bejian, Johanna Chilingarian, Susan Hazarvartian, Susie Kalinian, Pam McGrath, Edward Orchanian, Armand Paboojian and Linda Sahagian. The Silent Auction raised approximately \$8000 for the church!

The selection of over 90 auctioned items included jewelry, art, sports and event tickets, and restaurant gift certificates. Some of the artwork featured was by artists from Armenia; New Vision is proud to support these Armenian artists and bring such unique work to St. James. There was also a fine selection of jewelry items from several generous area Armenian jewelers. New Vision extends sincere gratitude to all of donors, to Silent Auction participants, and to our winning bidders for making this year's Silent Auction another success!

November was the last Hye Café for the year. We will have a special Armenian Christmas Hye Café on January 4, 2008. We thank all of volunteers and patrons for another great year. Special thanks also to Manus Ipek, who has made the hummus for every Hye Café over the years, and to Seta Ay, for donating the bread for the 2008 Hye Cafés.

We look forward to seeing you in 2008!





# His Holiness Karekin II Pontifical

Teen Events Held at St. James















# VISIT TO NEW ENGLAND OCTOBER 5-8, 2007







Welcome Banquet







AIRPORT WELCOME





## PONTIFICAL DIVINE LITURGY









LEADERSHIP DINNER



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# CHILDREN'S SERVICE HELD AT ST. JAMES

# 2007 Pontifical Visit to New England of His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians

His Holiness's visit to New England on October 5-8, 2007 was extremely exciting for all New England Clergy and Parishioners! Vehapar shared that he was not only impressed with the weekend's events but "honored" by the welcome extended to him by the entire New England Region.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our St. James parishioners who volunteered throughout the weekend at the Pontifical Visit events, from the Young Professionals and College-Aged Young Adult on Friday Evening to the Divine Liturgy on Sunday morning.



#### We also extend our sincere gratitude to:

- Marsha Alabachian, Sunday School Superintendent
- Marina Minasian, Armenian School Superintendent
- Brenda Khederian, Youth Director
- Jennifer Tagarelis
- Arsen Minasian
- Nancy Kassabian
- Sandy Raphalian, Paul Abdalian, Janice Kavjian, Gail Boroyan and all of our ACYOA Juniors parents, St. James Sunday School and Armenian School parents for volunteering your time and for encouraging your children to attend on this important day, and to all of our volunteers who came together to ensure the Children's Breakfast and Service and the Teen Gathering held at St. James were successful and memorable for His Holiness and the children and youth of New England!

#### Finally, special thanks to:

- Sharon Bazarian and Cheryl Keane, for photographing the weekend's events
- David Medzorian for videographing the children's and teen events.
- Karen Hovsepian and Annie Kalaydjian in the church office, and to Michael Mamishian and the entire facilities staff, for their work in support of and in preparation for the Pontifical Visit events and weekend!



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# 2007 Annual Bazaar

Congratulations to all of our St. James parishioners for an extremely successful 60th Annual St. James Bazaar!















## Bazaar Raffle Winners

\$5000	Charlie Gazarian
\$1000	Mary Margosian
\$1000	Edward Juskalian
\$1000	Charles Guleserian, Jack Pilibosian & John Whittemore
\$500	Diran Zahigian
\$500	David Marson
\$500	Ken & Diane Samuelian
\$500	Robert Parsekian









Special thanks to:

- 2007 Bazaar Chairs Peter Babigian and Vasken Babigian
- Kitchen Chairs Toros Maksoudian, Ben Saraydarian, and Tom Gengozian
- Karen Hovsepian and John Musserian
- All of our St. James schools, organizations and parishioners who worked together in enthusiastic support of our church to plan yet another wonderful and enjoyable Bazaar!
  - The St. James Women's Guild and all who volunteered and work for months baking and preparing for the Bazaar!
  - St. James Sunday School and Armenian School for their terrific booths
  - New Vision for once again organizing and running the auctions
  - Steve Derderian for his work on the \$100 Raffle.
  - Jeanette M. Keljik & Edward K. Keljik Jr. for once again donating the \$2 raffle prizes
  - To Richard and Karen Diranian for running a successful Country Store
  - The St. James Church Office Staff and Facilities Staff

Thank you to all of our parishioners and friends for once again attending and supporting our Annual Bazaar!

Thank You to All and Congratulations!

# Sacraments

Baptisms & Chrismations You have been Baptised in Christ Alleluia

#### AUGUST 2007

Samuel David Sarmanian – August 4, 2007 Son of David Sarmanian and Donna Sarmanian Perrin Godparents: Doug and Tanya Chakmakian

Angelina Starr Nakashian – August 5, 2007 Daughter of Avetis Nakashian and Lucy Nakashian Tashchyan Godparents: Serop Rob and Nona Nakashian

Briana Elizabeth Beaman – August 11, 2007 Daughter of Ralph J. Beaman and Arpie E. Beaman Highgas Godparents: William Highgas III and Elizabeth K. Highgas

Krikor Nishan Chitchian – August 12, 2007 Son of Arman Chitchian and Aghavni Gevorgyan Chitchian Godparents: Nishan and Margrit Atinizian

Michael Vartan Kocabay – August 18, 2007 Son of Rafi and Tereza Kocabay Godparents: Michael Arazian and Seta Arazian

Leanna Marie Dorian – August 19. 2007 Daughter of Vrej Dorian and Carolin Doprian Dumanian Godparents: Apo Dudumian and Jeniffer Carson

Kristina Mary Dorian – August 19, 2007 Daughter of Vrej Dorian Dorian and Carolin Dorian Dudumian Godparents: Apo Dudumian and Jeniffer Carson

Christian Khajador Asdourian – August 25, 2007 Son of Avo and Esther Asdourian Godparents: Mike Asdourian and Dzovig Moses

Gunther Guleserian – August 26, 2007 Son of Matthew Guleserian and Terri Fowler Godparents: Daniel Tantalo and Abigail Hackler

Lillian Guleserian – August 26, 2007 Daughter of Matthew Guleserian and Terri Fowler Godparents: Daniel Tantalo and Abigail Hackler

Aram Kaya – August 26, 2007 Son of Kamer Kaya and Maria Bedoyian Godparents: Johnny and Karolin Gebeyan

#### SEPTEMBER 2007

Christopher Papazian – September 9, 2007 Son of Greg and Sylvie Papazian Godparents: Alan and Marlene Seferian

#### **OCTOBER 2007**

Robert Serop Nakashian – October 14, 2007 Son of Serop and Nona Nakashian Godparents: Michael Nakashian and Mari Nakashian



#### August 25, 2007

Thomas William Riley Jr. and Mariam Elizabeth Grigorian Best Man: Hakop Jack Grigorian / Maid of Honor: Sandra Castro

William Anton Eppich Jr. and Wendy Semonian Best Man: Matthew Eppich / Maid of Honor: Kristin Regis Wedding held at Holy Trinity Armenian Church, Cambridge, MA

September 2, 2007

Derenig Kostikian and Michelle Gouveia Best Man: Arthur Kostikian / Maid of Honor: Nina Kitabjian Wedding held at St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church, Wynnewood, PA

September 8, 2007 Norayr Karen Kocharyan and Andrea Lee DeStefano Best Man: Aram Barseghyan / Maid of Honor: Kelly Maslin

September 9, 2007 Cesar Casper Arazian and Nouvart Rose Fossian Best Man: Michael Arazian / Maid of Honor: Christine Yerressian

September 15, 2007 Keith Mark Guidara and Nicole Ayn Dadaian Best Man: Michael Abram / Maid of Honor: Stephanie Dadaian Thompson

October 21, 2007 John Armen Esserian and Jennifer Victoria Panosian Best Man: Armen J. Esserian / Maid of Honor: Noel M. Atamian

Hratch Yeghia Adourian and Tamara Jean McGillivary



May Christ Our God shed His Eternal Light upon the souls of our dearly departed. May God bless the souls of the deceased and comfort the members of their families.

> Yeghia Adourian – August 1, 2007 Rose Mazmanian – August 2, 2007 Seroun "Sally" Krikorian – August 3, 2007 Margaret Antaramian – August 3, 2007 Roger Krikorian – August 14, 2007 Charles Taylor Kew Jr. – August 20, 2007

Leo Akillian – August 21, 2007 John A. Topjian – August 22, 2007 Leon Gabrielian – August 24, 2007

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# Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 24, 2007

MUSICAL PRELUDE 6:30 p.m.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 7:00 p.m. (In English)

> RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

All are welcome.

# Mesrob Mashdotz INSTITUTE NEWS

The Fall 2007 semester for Armenian classes started on September 17, 2007. The last class will meet on December 12, 2007. We have 25 students attending. Our Winter 2008 semester is scheduled to start on January 14, 2008. New students interested in enrolling are asked to call Annie Chekijian at 617-489-5984 or e-mail anniechekijian@msn.com for more information.

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— Annie Chekijian, Coordinator

# **Calendar of Events**

(All events are at St. James unless otherwise noted)

### January 2008

Friday, January 4 Armenian Christmas Hye Café

Sunday, January 6 – Armenian Christmas! Sunday School Christmas Pageant

Monday, January 7 Men's Club

# Calendar of Feast Days

## January 2008

Saturday, January 5 Eve of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord

Sunday, January 6 Feast of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord

Saturday, January 19 St. Sarkis the Warrior

Tuesday, January 29 St. Leontius the Priest and his companions

Thursday, January 31 St. Vartan the Warrior and his companions

#### February 2008

Sunday, February 3 Great Barekendan

Monday, February 4 First Day of Lent

Thursday, February 14 Presentation of our Lord

#### **ՏՕՆԱԿԱՐԳ 2008**

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Շաբաթ, Յունուաը 5 – Ճրադալոյց Սբ. Ծննդեան եւ Աստուածայայտնութեան։ Կիրակի Յունուար 6 – Տօն Սբ. Ծննդեան եւ Աստուածայայտնութեան Շաբաթ, Յունուար 19 – Սուրբ Սարդիս Ջօրավար Երեջչաբթի, Յունուար 29 – Տօն Սրբոց Ղեւոնդեանց ՔաՀանայիցն Հինդչաբթի, Յունուար 31 – Տօն Սրբոց Վարդանանց Ջօրավարացն

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Ժամերգու/ժիւն Երեկոյեան ժամը 6:00-ին։

Սուրբ Պատարադ Երեկոյեան ժամը 7։00–ին։



## Thursday, January 31 Vartanantz Day Divine Liturgy

6:00 p.m. Evening Vespers Service

> 7:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy

Sunday, February 10, 2008

# ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

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#### PLEASE NOTE:

According to the new Diocesan bylaws, dues-paid members of a parish must pay their Annual Parish dues by December 31 of a given year in order to be able to vote at the Annual Parish Assembly. In the past, we have allowed our parishioners to pay their dues the day of the assembly. According to the new policy, we are no longer able to do so. As such, we kindly remind and ask parishioners who have not yet paid their 2007 Membership Dues to become current by December 31, 2007.



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#### Varujan Agopyan

Armenie Najarian

July 5, 2007 Arsho Abalian Sarkis Abrahamian Anahit Akun Stephen and Nektar Ashikian Kevork and Jacqueline Atinizian Mari and Rakesh Bhardwaj (Kibritian) Yervant and Armen Citcioglu **Demir Family** Arman and Alis Duhanyan Abraham and Helen Enfiedjian Arman Halaiian Janet Hanzatian Mari Imirzian Wayne and Shakeh Johnson Istephan and Sahnik Knarian Beri and Meline Manoukian Alice and David Martin Diane Merian Mr. and Mrs. Haig and Alice Merian Andrew, Renata and Sara Miller Anahit Minasyan Anahid Minasyan Aqavni Ozcan Herika Sarafian Mr. and Mrs. Krikor Shaboian Hagop and Nadia Ucuzian Total \$1,395

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Arsalus Abalian Nishan and Margrit Atinizian Elizabeth Badrigian Bedros and Takouhie Bechirian Nshan and Vardouk Darbinian Henna Dekermanji John Jambazian Anik Melkonian Anahid Minasyan Silva and Robert Ozcan Lousine Araxie Sarkissian Aida M. Yavshayan, M.D. Total \$335

#### Yeghia Adourian August 1, 2007

Estepan and Anahid Adourian Armen Baghdoyan Dr. Jerry and Annie Balikian Samuel and Aida Bejakian Mary Bergoudian Mr. and Mrs. Arman Chitchian Bedros and Arevik Der Vartanian Nerses and Araxi Ghazarian and Family Iskenderian Family Levon and Shake Khatchadourian Souren and Lisa Maserejian Kevork and Azniv Maserejian Ardashes and Shake Shelemian Total \$605

#### Varujan Agopyan July 5, 2007

Arsho Abalian Sarkis Abrahamian Anahit Akun

Total: \$805

Margaret Antaramian August 3, 2007 Marilyn Papazian

David and Alison Papazian and Family Adams Family Paul, Jr. Boghosian Flaherty Family Madden Family Total: \$275

#### Seroun 'Sally' Krikorian August 3, 2007

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#### Araxie 'Grace' (Seferian) La Greca September 6, 2007

Areka Der Kazarian Julie Ganjian Margie and Steve Glikas Richard and Lucy Jelladian Nora Kalajian Gary and Regina Kalajian Anahid Keshishian Don and Betsy Landers Robert and Madeline Mardirosian Simon and Virginia Mardirosian Lucy and Charlie Miner and Family Ann Nahabedian Robert and Christine Najarian Armenie Najarian Alice and Anthony Seferian Gladys and Nick Zeytoonian Joe and Myriam Zeytoonian

Total: \$650

#### Eliza Kachadorian September 17, 2007

Charles and Joyce Guleserian and Family Leon Kachadorian Edwin and Hermine Adamian Mr. and Mrs. Harry Adamian Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aghababian and Peggy Russian Harry and Azniv Amiralian Domenic and Joan Antonellis Elizabeth Arakelian Leon and Marge Atamian Hamest Atamian Zabelle Hajian Azablar Mr. and Mrs. Gary Babigian Mary Balyosian Drs. Paul and Joyce Barsam Kristina Beattie Carol and Ronald Beattie Michael and Erin Beattie Mary (Guleserian) Bergoudian Robert and Stephanie Brackett Ed and Mary Brewster Mrs. Theresa Brundage Haig and Donna Deranian Marilyn Dodd Ann (Anoosh) Drouin Lillian K. Etmekjian Jim and Ogen Fantazian and Sandra Grant David and Chyrel Gallagher Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garabedian Jeff and Virginia Gosdanian Crosby and Marge Goshgarian

Dr. and Mrs. Nishan Goudsouzian Edward and Nancy Guleserian and Family Jack and Mary Hagopian Martin and Juliette Hatzadourian Edna A. Hovagimian Arpie Hovagimian Mr. and Mrs. Vartkes and Elissa Karaian Louise Kassabian Edward and Mary Ann Kazaniian Sarkis and Nancy Kazarian Barry and Lois Kolgian John and Ida Kolligian Mary Kupijan Seta and Fred Lepore Arpie Maksoudian-Highgas Kenneth Malatian Margaret Malemezian Mr. Arthur A. Maranian, Sr. Miss Lucy Mardirosian Mary Margosian Ora Margosian Gladys and Anna Medzorian Edward and Julie Mesrobian Edward and Diana Minasian Louise D. Missakian and Sandra Missakian Vee, Nadine and Kirk Nahabedian Carl and Valerie Narsasian Carlene and Bruce Newell Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Ohannessian Harry and Hripsime Parsekian Vartkes and Dorothy Parsikian Mr. and Mrs. Edward Patapanian Jack and Audrey Pilibosian Clara Russian Marien Samuelian **Robert Sanasarian** Hagop and Helene Sarkissian Katherine Siranosian St. James Bingo Group St. James Women's Guild Richard, Ann and Talene Tarvezian Donald and Barbara Tellalian Diane Topjian Michael G. Yapchaian Gayle M. Yapchaian Raffi and Carol Yeghiayan Sesag Yerganian Carol Zeytoonjian Total: \$3,940

#### Marguerite Kurkjian September 18, 2007

John Kurkjian Isabel and Mark Avedikian Joan, Gary, Craig, Victoria and James Bergstrom Jack and Miriam Boyajian Jody and Jack Boyajian Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Camiel Valerie Boyajian Camiel Lucille, John, George Demirjian Haig Der Manuelian Charlene and William Fallon Cheryl and Khalil Farhat Joseph and Patricia Foley Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garabedian Jeffrey and Virginia Gosdanian Louise Hekimian **Richard and Mary Humber** Sonny and Miriam Jerahian Rose Jundanian Thomas and Florence Jundanian James Kalustian Martin and Mimi Kalustian Vartkes and Elissa Karaian Rose 7, Karibian Paul and Gloria Khederian Aracse Kurkjian and Family Robert and Madeline Mardirosian Charles Margosian Bill and Karen Martin William and Fred Maurer Edward and Julie Mesrobian Tom and Deborah (Paul) Meyers Alice K. Millian Louise D. Missakian and Sandra L. Missakian Helen Mosesian Seta Nersessian and Gregory Jundanian Charlene and Charles Nickson Charles and Peggy Nigohsian Edward and Marlene Paul Grant and Eleanor Paul Jack and Audrey Pilibosian Ann and Chris Salvo, M.D. Marien Samuelian **Richard Talanian** Mr. and Mrs. John Voce Sue Williams-Jones

Total: \$3,545

#### Parsekh Toutounjian September 21, 2007

Damaskouhi Toutounjian Vartkes Apelian Roubina Malaian

Total: \$300

#### **ADDITIONAL IN LIEU DONATIONS:**

#### Helen T. Yapchaian March 9, 2007

David and Andrea Barber Hanesian and Sarian Families New Total: \$8,960

#### George Yapchaian April 4, 2007

David and Andrea Barber Hanesian and Sarian Families New Total: \$6,015

#### Sahag Nahabedian May 22, 2007

Natalie Barmakian Garabed, Cecilia and Gary Kayakachoian Michael and Rose Khachadoorian

New Total: \$2,505

#### Van "Max" Maksabedian June 6, 2007

New Total: \$1,680

#### Arpeny 'Penny' Kolgian June 12, 2007

Steven and Hilda Assarian Arthur and Joan Boghosian Helen Bebirian Donna and John Foley Karaian Family Shawn Galvin Araxi Nahigian Bob and Helen Weiner New Total: \$7,325

## Parish Administrative Directory

#### **WORSHIP HOURS**

Sunday Morning Service	8:30 a.m.
Sunday Divine Liturgy	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service	10:00 a.m.

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#### Church Office: (617) 923-8860

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**Office Hours:** 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Office closed Saturday and Sunday

#### PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Arakel Aljalian Rectory: 6 Langdon Ave., Watertown, MA 02472 Email: derarakel@sthagop.com • H: (617) 923-8990

#### ASSOC. PASTOR EMERITUS

Rev. Fr. Arsen Barsamian 53 Hill Road, Apt. 302, Belmont, MA 02478 H: (617) 484-2614

#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Rev. Fr. Arakel Aljalian, President Scott Kapilian, Chairman K. Vasken Babigian, Vice Chairman John Musserian, Treasurer Linda Sahagian, Secretary Sandy Raphalian, Asst. Treasurer Carol Babikyan, Asst. Secretary Sharon Bazarian Gail Boroyan Edward K. Kazanjian Edward Orchanian, Jr. Ben Saraydarian

#### **DIOCESAN DELEGATES**

Edward Brewster Karen Dederyan Haig Deranian Nishan Goudsouzian Charles Guleserian Jacob Pilibosian Michael Yapchaian

#### **OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Annie Kalaydjian, Administrative Assistant Karen Hovsepian, Bookkeeper

FACILITIES MANAGER (EXT. 18)

Michael V. Mamishian Email: mvmamishian@sthagop.com

**YOUTH DIRECTOR** (EXT. 19) Brenda Khederian

SUNDAY SCHOOL (EXT. 19) Marsha Alabachian, Superintendent

#### ST. SAHAG AND ST. MESROB ARMENIAN SATURDAY SCHOOL (EXT. 21)

Dr. Sarkis Soukiasian, Chairman, Board of Trustees Marina Minasian, Superintendent

#### LOOYS EDITORIAL BOARD

Fr. Arakel Aljalian, Fr. Arsen Barsamian, St. James Office Staff, Yn. Natasha Aljalian and Alex Kalaydjian

#### PASTORAL CARE: HOME AND HOSPITAL CLERGY VISITS

The clergy are always available and would like to visit homebound and hospitalized parishioners. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized and would like to be visited, please call the church office at (617) 923-8860. Please note: when asked about your religion at a hospital, patients should list themselves as "Armenian Orthodox" or "Armenian" not "other."

#### **REQUIEM SERVICE/HOKEHANKISD**

Arrangements for Requiem Service, Altar Flowers and Candles should be made through the church office by Thursday at noon. In accordance with the canons of the Armenian Church, Requiem Services may not be performed on the five major feast days: Armenian Christmas, Easter, The Feast of the Transfiguration, The Feast of the Assumption of the Mother of God, and The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

#### BAPTISMS AND CHRISMATIONS

All baptisms must be scheduled at least two months in advance by calling the church office. According to the Armenian Church canons, a Baptism may only be performed once in a person's lifetime, provided such Baptism has been performed in a Christian Church and in the name of the Holy Trinity. At least one of the godparents must be a member of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church.

#### **WEDDINGS**

Parishioners should contact the church office at least eight months in advance. A couple must contact St. James to confirm the availability of the Pastor and sanctuary prior to making any other arrangements. All weddings must follow the Canons of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church and the laws of Massachusetts. In accordance with Diocesan discipline mandated by the Primate, all Sacraments must be administered in the church sanctuary. The couple must meet with the Pastor at least once for pre-marital preparation and counseling. Weddings cannot be performed during Great Lent or Holy Week, or on the five major feast days: Armenian Christmas, Holy Easter, The Feast of the Transfiguration, The Feast of the Assumption of the Mother of God, and The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

#### **FUNERALS**

Families should make arrangements with the funeral director of their choice, who will contact the church office to arrange the funeral service. Generally, St. James coordinates funerals with Bedrosian Funeral Home and Giragosian Funeral Home; both are located in Watertown and are familiar with our Church traditions. Funerals may not be performed on religious holidays, major feast days, Saturdays after 3:00 p.m., or on Sundays.

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