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ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Students Mark Milestones of Armenian History

September started with much enthusiasm for the Armenian School. We welcomed our returning students and the new students with their families into our community and got right to business. This academic year is filled with milestones that are important to us as Armenians and will be recognized and instilled in the students as part of the curriculum through various activities.

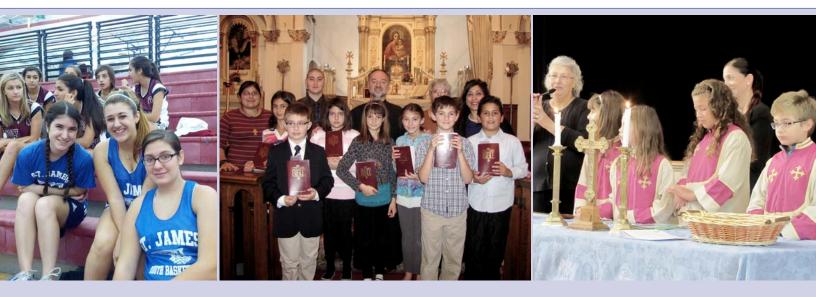
The first parish event in which the school participated was the annual church bazaar, which was successful due to the participation of the families who contributed their time, talents and efforts.

The next event was the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the first Armenian printed book. The students were introduced to this major event by viewing the ancient Armenian manuscripts displayed in our cultural center on October 21, and learning about them in class.

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During the annual fundraising banquet, on Sunday, November 4, students presented a cultural program on the occasion of the 1650th anniversary of Mesrob Mashdotz' birth.





ST. SAHAG AND ST. MESROB

ARMENIAN SCHOOL

A BUSY YEAR FOR OUR STUDENTS

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Our biggest event of the fall, the annual fundraising banquet, was held on Sunday, November 4. The students prepared a special program to honor our culture and celebrate the 1650th anniversary of Mesrob Mashdotz' birth. The program started with a dance performance by both the nursery and kindergarten students, followed by a patriotic dance by the elementary school students. We closed the cultural portion of the afternoon with the recitation of poems and singing of songs to commemorate Mesrob Mashdotz and our language, followed by a dinner banquet and silent auction. The afternoon was a great success, thanks to all the volunteers and teachers who helped make it possible.







Students recited poems, sang songs, and performed traditional Armenian dances to celebrate the 1650th anniversary of the birth of Mesrob Mashdotz.



A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

We express our heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation for the continued prayers, notes, calls, and gifts for our beautiful son Gabriel, who was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) on November 3, 2012. We are humbled and touched by the prayers, and the expressions of love and concern, which our parish family has offered us during this challenging time. The strength and comfort this provides Gabriel and all of us cannot be expressed in words.

Though it is a difficult time, Gabriel's prognosis is good, as is his progress to date. We continue to have faith in the promise of his complete recovery.

We will update the following Boston Children's Hospital CarePage as possible to provide our church family updates on Gabriel's progress, which can be found at: http://www.carepages.com/carepages/GabrielAljalian.

Please continue to keep our sweet son Gabriel in your prayers.

With heartfelt gratitude, Der Arakel and Yn. Natasha



Dr. Nishan Goudsouzian receives the 2012 Ellis Island Medal of Honor



On Sunday, September 23, a special fellowship hour took place in honor of Dr. Nishan Goudsouzian, recipient of the 2012 Ellis Island Medal of Honor. The Ellis Island Medal

of Honor was founded by the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations (NECO) to pay homage to the immigrant experience. The award honors the contribution made to America by immigrants and the legacy they leave behind.

Dr. Goudsouzian was one of several Armenians receiving the award this year.

We congratulate Dr. Nishan and his wife, Mary, on this esteemed honor.

= SUNDAY SCHOOL == HOMECOMING

HOMECOMING SUNDAY is a day of excitement and happiness, students coming together after the summer break, eager to share adventures with old friends and to make new friends.

On Sunday, September 16, staff, students and families came together to begin the new Sunday School year. The morning began with the registration of

5 new students to our Sunday School. To our new students and their families, we say, "Welcome!" To our returning students and graduates, we say, "Welcome Back!"

Following church services, an Indoor Field Day took place in Keljik Hall. Sincere thanks to Mr. Steve Derderian and the Sunday School parents who prepared and hosted our Homecoming Luncheon. Field Day activities and relay races kept the children moving and anxious to win. Many thanks to Yn. Natasha Aljalian and our Youth Minister, Maria Derderian, for coordinating the games.













CHURCH SCHOOLS HOST HALLOWEEN PARTY

On Sunday, October 28, the St. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian School and the Sunday School came together to host the annual Halloween Party for the children of the parish.

Ghosts, goblins, princesses and pirates, just to name a few, all marched in the costume parade which began the festivities of the afternoon. The highlight of the party was the mummy wrapping relay in which four of our older students graciously agreed to be mummies and have their team wrap them with streamers prior to the relay.

With prizes and goodie bags in hand, the ghosts, goblins, princesses, pirates, bumble bees, fairies and left for home happy, and excited to wait for Halloween Day!



THANK YOU

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the students, staff and parents of the Sunday School for their diligence in working to make the Sunday School booth at the St. James Bazaar a success again this year!

Opposite page: Sunday School students gather for worship on Homecoming Sunday. On this day, they also took part in the observance of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

This page, from top: Fr. Arakel Aljalian blesses students with a cross adorned with basil; students, teachers, and parents take part in the Homecoming Assembly and Worship service; volunteers prepare a luncheon for Homecoming Sunday.





FAMILY DAY & BIBLE SUNDAY

Sunday, November 18, marked Bible Sunday for the Sunday School. Each year, the students of the fourth grade class receive a new Bible in a short presentation conducted at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Afterwards, the ACYOA hosted their annual Family Day Thanksgiving Dinner, where all who attended enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Thank you to all the attendees, and a special thanks to Stan Tagarelis and his crew for once again offering their talents in preparing the delicious meal.

This Sunday also marked the end of the November food drive. Over 40 bags of food were collected and donated to Watertown food pantries. Thank you to all who donated for your generosity in helping the less fortunate.



ACYOA SENIORS

Look Forward to Winter Activities

The St. James ACYOA Seniors started off the fall season with their first general meeting and elections in September. The newly elected executive board is as follows: Aaron Derderian and Karina Bekelian, Co-Chairs; Brian Ansbigian, Treasurer; Liana Bekelian, Corresponding Secretary; Alina Bazarian, Recording Secretary.

The group has a busy calendar planned for the coming year. Most recently, they took part in an outreach service outing at the Friday Night Supper Program on Friday, November 9. The group assisted in running the soup kitchen, which operates out of the Arlington Street Church in downtown Boston.

We are happy to announce that the 4th Annual Hold' Em Poker Tournament is set for Saturday, January 26, 2013. Please call Chris Kavak at (617) 470-6701 to order tickets. Stay posted for more upcoming events!

We welcome new members at any time. Please contact Aaron Derderian at amderderian@gmail.com or Karina Bekelian at karina.bekelian@my.mcphs.edu with questions regarding the ACYOA Seniors.

- Aaron Derderian



ACYOA members volunteer at the Boston Rescue Mission.

Hye Gafé

Food, Fun, and Fellowship

As we finish our eighth season, we want to thank all our volunteers and patrons for their continued support. We have seen many new friends volunteering and attending Hye Café this season.

September not only means back to school, it means Hye Café resumes after our summer vacation. Over 250 attended September's Hye Café, reconnecting with friends after the summer. And yes, back by popular demand we offered our baked haddock special!

Congratulations to Kevin Eskici, our September door prize winner: a dinner for two, including mezze and dessert. Our last Hye Café in 2012 took place on November 9.

If you would like to volunteer for Hye Café, please e-mail Linda Sahagian at hyelinda65@aol.com. We would love to have you join the team!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our Christmas Hye Café is January 4, featuring live music by the Ansbigians!



We extend our appreciation to all our dedicated mailing volunteers. Thank you for all your hard work and service to St. James.

ACYOA JUNIORS FORM BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP

The Armenian Church Youth Organization of America, or the ACYOA, was founded in 1946 by Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan. Throughout the years, Armenian youth have been coming together to participate in activities and to grow together physically and spiritually. They created bonds of friendship that could never be broken. Today, our ACYOA Juniors at St. James continue to follow that same path.

In September, we kicked off the year with elections for the new Executive Board. The new board members are: Aaron Campbell, Chairman; Johnny Bogosian Trocchi, Vice Chairman; Emma Kaloostian, Corresponding Secretary; Vinney Moushigian, Recording Secretary; Lucine Boloyan, Treasurer.

So far this fall, over 30 of us traveled to Providence to participate in October Sports Weekend. We have also been holding monthly gatherings called "3Lounge," and serving monthly at Hye Café.

Future plans include a lock-in retreat, a Scavenger Hunt, Hye M'rtsoom and so much more. We will also continue our community outreach efforts as we serve at My Brother's Keeper, Cradles to Crayons, and more. As our ACYOA Juniors continues to grow, we love watching new bonds start to form between the Armenian youth.

- Aaron Campbell











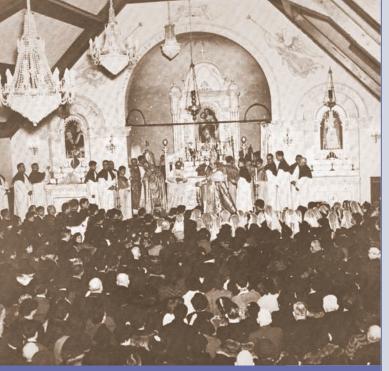






Bottom row: St. James ACYOA Juniors basketball and volleyball teams at October Sports Weekend in Providence.

Center and above: ACYOA Juniors participate in a summer trip to Canobie Lake Park.



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EDWARD BREWSTER



KAREN DEDERYAN

ARCHBISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN

Primate of the Eastern Diocese Presiding

Honoring

EDWARD BREWSTER & KAREN DEDERYAN

St. James Parishioners of the Year

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2012

10 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Name Day Banquet to follow in Keljik Hall Charles Mosesian Cultural and Youth Center

\$40 adults; \$10 children 12 and under

Advanced reservations required Tickets will not be available at the door **R.S.V.P. by December 10**



Up. Յակոր Հայաստանեայց Առաքելական Եկեղեցի St. James Armenian Apostolic Church 465 Mt. Auburn Street, Watertown, Massachusetts (617) 923-8860 | www.sthagop.com | info@sthagop.com



St. James 65th Annual Bazaar

Sincere gratitude and congratulations to Bazaar co-chairs Nancy Kassabian and Sandy Raphalian, members of the Parish Council, all of the dedicated members of our parish organizations, and all of our parishioners who together gave countless hours of time to plan and organize a successful Annual Bazaar!

Thank you also to our sponsors and donors, and to all who attended and supported the 2012 Annual Bazaar.

We thank you for your commitment to and hard work for St. James, and for your selfless and enthusiastic devotion to St. James. May God bless you for your faithful service and commitment to St. James.

THANK YOU









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CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2012

Musical Prelude — 6:30 P.M. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (in English)—7:00 P.M. *Reception to follow. All are welcome.*

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 2013

EVE OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY AND BAPTISM OF

Our Lord Jesus Christ (Jrakalooyts)
Evening Service and Reading of
Scriptures (in Armenian)—6:00 P.M.

(Readings by St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Armenian School students)

Divine Liturgy—7:00 P.M.

(The Junior Choir will be joining the Senior Choir in singing the Divine Liturgy.)

Home Blessing and Reception to follow

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2013

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY AND BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Morning Service — 8:30 A.M.
Divine Liturgy — 10:00 A.M.
Service of the Blessing of Water in remembrance of Our Lord's Baptism (Sunday School Christmas Program will follow Divine Liturgy.)

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CHRIST IS BORN AND REVEALED AMONG US! BLESSED IS THE REVELATION OF CHRIST!

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

From Bazaar Prep to Gift Bags for Needy

The St. James Women's Guild held its "Welcome Back" dinner meeting in September to discuss plans for the year ahead. More than 40 members attended the meeting and helped plan for future activities.

October was dedicated to the parish bazaar, with many members involved. The St. James Women's Guild was busier than ever cooking and baking since July. The Women's Guild prepared manti, choereg, boereg, simit, nazook, porov kufte and more. It was the Annual Bazaar "race," and during many daytime and evening sessions it was fabulous to see parishioners across generations cook, bake and share stories and jokes while pinching, rolling and layering. It was a huge success and not one piece of paklava, cream khadeif or cookie was left! Moreover it was the sense of community—all of us working together to support our church—that pervaded the entire affair.

On November 19, the Women's Guild sponsored an open event for all parishioners and friends called "Beauty, Bling and Buys." The event featured hair and make-up artists and booths selling jewelry, scarves, pocketbooks, home items and more. Wine and appetizers, as well as coffee and dessert, rounded out the evening.

December 8 brought the Women's Guild Central Council to St. James as we hosted their meeting. The day started with an open breakfast where members asked questions and discussed events with the Central Council. Our December membership meeting featured our second annual gift bag making of toiletries for homeless shelters (we made over 250 bags last year).

The St. James Women's Guild is working hard to promote the mission of our church: increase membership, reach out to others, and foster fellowship. New members are always welcome to meetings and encouraged to join!





Women's Guild members celebrate Valentine's Day in February 2012.

2012-2013 OFFICERS

Chairperson – Nancy Kassabian Vice Chairperson - Lyn Kapilian Corresponding Secretary – Gail Boroyan Recording Secretary – Carol Babikyan Treasurer – Janice Kavjian

RECIPE CALENDAR 2013

The St. James Women's Guild Recipe Calendar 2013 is for sale. The price is \$6.00 per copy. It features 14 of St. James' favorite recipes, and is great for gifts, stocking stuffers and more. Contact Nancy Kassabian at nkass@comcast.net or call (781) 322-0029, or the church office to obtain your copy.

Men's Club

The Men's Club has had a busy fall season filled with exciting guest speakers presenting a variety of topics.

Our September meeting featured Zak Minasian, administrative assistant to former Boston Red Sox manager Bobby Valentine. Mr. Minasian covered his life in baseball, recalling how he began as a teenager and worked with the L.A. Dodgers under the Hall of Fame manager Tommy LaSorda. He brought us through his early years as club house attendant, moving to equipment manager, and eventually to his present position with the Boston Red Sox.

Our October meeting welcomed Dr. Mary A. Papazian, the newly installed President of Southern Connecticut State University. Dr. Papazian spoke on "Education as a Path to Prosperity," and discussed how the real challenge in education is to have a firm foundation of knowledge in an ever changing world. She also covered issues pertaining to education in Armenia. A native Californian, Dr. Papazian completed her graduate and undergraduate education at UCLA, where she received her B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in English literature.

In December, we welcomed the Honorable Armand Arabian, former Associate Justice to the California Supreme Court, who presented a talk titled "Gravel to Gavel."

We thank all our volunteers and guests, and we look forward to the spring season.











Top row (l to r): Dr. Mary Papazian gives a talk at St. James Church. Men's Club board members give announcements at recent meetings.

Bottom row (l to r): Volunteers prepare a meal for a Men's Club gathering. Fr. Arakel Aljalian, Fr. Mampre Kouzouian, Fr. Arsen Barsamian, Fr. Kapriel Mouradjian, and Fr. Vasken Kouzouian pose for a group photo during a Men's Club event.





ARMENIAN CULTURAL MONTH

marked with a concert and exhibit



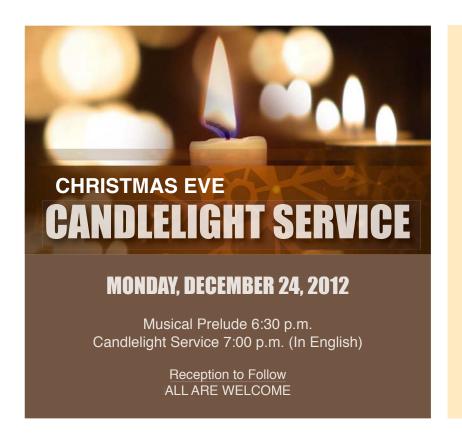


Armenian Cultural Month was commemorated at St. James with two headline events. On September 22, the community enjoyed a wonderful musical concert by the Dudukner Ensemble – 10 talented musicians who toured the East Coast. The duduk is one of the most ancient traditional Armenian musical instruments. The event took place at the Church's Charles Mosesian Cultural and Youth Center, Keljik Hall and was organized by our Cultural Committee and the Amaras Art Alliance.

On October 21, on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of the first printed Armenian book, the parish community enjoyed an exhibition of close to 30 Armenian rare books. A large crowd of all ages viewed the books and enjoyed the reception that followed in the Charles Mosesian Cultural and Youth Center, Keljik Hall.

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Left column: Ensemble Dudukner performs at St. James Church. Right column: An exhibit of rare Armenian books was organized to mark the 500th anniversary of Armenian printing.



ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY Sunday, February 17, 2013

2012 Dues Paid Members
PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

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Կիրակի, Փետրուար 17, 2013

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A PERPETUAL MEMORIAL

for remembrance of our loved ones

The St. James Perpetual Memorial is located in the foyer of the Church on both sides of the entrance to the sanctuary. The archway and modules of the Memorial Plaques were installed in 1991. The archway depicts symbols of the Armenian Church, with the name of our church, St. James Armenian Apostolic Church, at the top of the door. Three sets of wooden modules that hold the Memorial Plaques are on either side of the door. They are made of red oak and enhance and complement the interior of the church sanctuary.

Each Memorial Plaque is $2'' \times 10''$ in size. Each plaque bears the name of the departed loved one being memorialized in both Armenian and English, and also bears an inscription of years of birth and passing. Plaques are installed on the Perpetual Memorial at the requested area. Only one person may be remembered on each plaque.

The contribution for each Memorial Plaque is \$1,000. The majority of this donation is placed in the St. James Permanent Fund, where it will generate continuing income for our

parish. Families or individuals wanting to reserve Memorial Plaques in advance may do so, and may also select the area of the Perpetual Memorial on which their plaque(s) will be placed, by making full payment in advance.

The Perpetual Memorial is a way to honor our departed loved ones and to remember them as we enter our church sanctuary to worship. For more information, please contact Haig Deranian the Memorial Plaque Chairman at (617) 489-9465 or the church office at (617) 923-8860.



In Lieu of Flowers

The following donations have been received with appreciation by St. James Armenian Apostolic Church. May God bless the souls of our dearly departed and give comfort to their families.



ANN P. ESPERIAN

August 13, 2012

Sonia Janikian Zakarian Family

Total: \$125

RIMMA (ANDREASOVA) ARZUMANYAN

August 15, 2012

Alec Arzumanyan Mr. and Mrs. Stepan Anteryassian Gail Haroutunian Leon W. Kachadorian Aracse Kurkjian Karina Matevosyan

Total: \$325

ALBERT SIRAK KOOYUMJIAN

August 17, 2012

Gladys Clinton and Family Knarig Aboyan Sossi Aroyan Valentine Baghdoyan Ruth Harutunian Yianni and Tanya Iliadis Sona and Setrak Iskandarian Siran Kassabian Ann Keikian Alice K. Mellian Sonia Mikaelian Mary Minasian Mrs. Elsie Minassian and Harry and Hripsime Parsekian Arshalouys Sarkissian Dorothy Sheehan Mrs. Charles Talanian Richard, Ann and Talene

Total: \$1695

DAVID PETER ZAKARIAN

August 17, 2012

Tarvezian

Natalie Zakarian

Naomi (Thovmasian) and Francis Marsh Leah and Alex Hill Diana and Tim Sanginario Arthur Thovmasian Linda Angell Wayne and Leona Bailey Kachadour and Marilyn Kojoian Mr. and Mrs. Charles Surabian Philip and Allan Tutunjian

Total: \$325

GRAYCE S. (VARTIKIAN) JAMGOCHIAN

September 12, 2012

Jamgochian Family Norma Daniels Lucy Aroian Leon and Marge Atamian Alice Crowley Kathy Crowley, Richard Fryatt Anthony and Sandra Diieso Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kashian Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kasparian Suzon Lowe Jean C. MacDonald, Bill Norris Richard McBride Anna and Gladys Medzorian Sal Giorlandino Committee c/o John H. Leeds.Jr. Richard, Ann and Talene Tarvezian Leo Topjian and Family John and Maxine Zartarian

Total: \$2,230

ZAVEN OHANIAN

September 18, 2012

Virginia Ohanian
Barbara Taranto
David and Beverly Wright
Mary Avedisian
Richard, Wendy Bartley and
Wesley, Debbie, Caroline and
Diana Marshall
Marie Bazarian and Family

Mr. and Mrs. A. Richard Cohn John F. Connolly Mary S. Creedon Leslie and Jim Cristello and Family Mr. and Mrs. Sahag R. Dakesian Areka and Edward DerKazarian Marion DerVartanian Stephanie and Michael DiChiro Lucille Diranian Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. Dunn Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Failla Shake Gabriel Victor and Nancy Ganjian Andrea Hazian Deron and Ardemis Hazian Virginia Hazian Family Irene Jahnle Margaret Janikian Doug and Susan Jaquith Evelyn Kasparian Leona Kevorkian Louisa Kheremian and Family Mr. and Mrs. James Kontos Margaret Lynch Stefanie Madanian Nevart and Miridjan Manavian Dorothy Marshall and Family c/o Bunni Codding Maureen McNiff Louise D. Missakian, Sandra L. Missakian Andrea Movsessian-Wallack, Todd Movsessian Claire Musserian Leon and Veronica Nahigian Sylvia Payelian Phyllis Regan Alma Rousseau Marien Samuelian and Family Dr. and Mrs. John Saryan Mr. and Mrs. Robert St. Germain Felix and Elvira Taranto Bart and Sandy Wikstrom Nancy and Ashley Zanca

Total: \$2,400

REV. FR. PAPKEN MAKSOUDIAN

October 20, 2012

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Sonia Zorian

Total: \$11,416

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November 3, 2012

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Iva and Ropin Baymus

Sultan Bayzar Raffi Bedrosian Kalust Bestepe

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ANN KAPRIELIAN

July 3, 2012

Mary Guleserian Bergoudian

Arlene Kharajian Aracse Kurkjian

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July 10, 2012 Aracse Kurkjian Bernard L. Zulalian

New Total: \$1,605

EGIYA KIBARIAN

July 14, 2012

Aracse Kurkjian

New Total: \$775





BAPTISMS & CHRISMATIONS

You have been baptized in Christ. Alleluia.

Kapriyel Krikor Chavushian August 5, 2012 Son of Murat and Gabriella Galiando Chavushian Godprents: Cameron and Tanya Saber

Memphis Owen Fudala August 12, 2012 Son of Jonathan and Adriana Talatinian Fudala Godparents: Matthew and Jill Fudala

Girum Gashahun Gebresilassie September 1, 2012 Son of Biniam Gebresilassie and Selamawit Assefa Godparents: Dawit Bekele and Meseret Kebede

Evan David Timmons September 15, 2012 Son of David E. and Tamar Timmons Godparents: Scott M. and Jessica Timmons Natalia Potookian Behbahani October 14, 2012 Daughter of Behzad Behbahani and Karen Potookian Godparents: Greg and Sylvie Papazian

Aleen Lena Keljik October 7, 2012 Daughter of Edward Krekor and Sabine Armenouhi Keljik Godparents: James C. Kiriacopoulos and Mariam Stepanyan

Emily Karina Boyajian November 10, 2012 Daughter of Sarkis and Maro Boyajian Godparents: Jack and Lena Kouyoumjian

Kalina Papazian November 11, 2012 Daughter of Greg and Sylvie Papazian Godparents: Raffi Papazian and Karen Potookian Hago Jack Grigorian November 17, 2012 Son of Hakop J. and Sandra Grigorian Godparents: Paul Justiniano and Ginna Ospina

Rachael Leah Sarofian November 25, 2012 Daughter of Justin and Rebecca Sarofian Godparents: Adam Koren Ovoian and Melissa Ann Parker

Kayla Grace Leach November 25, 2012 Daughter of Gary and Leah Siroon Leach Godparents: Zachary Jason Ovoian and Rebecca Linda Sarofian



FUNERALS

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.

Ann P. Esperian August 13, 2012

Rimma (Andreasova) Arzumanyan *August* 15, 2012

Albert Sirak Kooyumjian August 17, 2012

David Peter Zakarian *August* 17, 2012

Grayce S. (Vartikian) Jamgochian *September 12, 2012*

Zaven Ohanian *September 18, 2012*

Rev. Fr. Papken Maksoudian *October* 20, 2012

Iva Cimen *November 3, 2012*

Audrey (Akillian) Kelly Douthwright November 5, 2012

Elizabeth "Betty" (Boyajian) Arakelian November 13, 2012

Jacob Hanesian November 15, 2012



WEDDINGS

And the two shall become one.

David James Deranian and Mari Palian June 23, 2012 Best Man: Kenneth Harry Deranian Maid of Honor: Armenhui Hananian

Sam Martin and Phillis Eugenie Madanian *August* 4, 2012

German Y. Hovakimian and Armenuhi Kekheyan August 26, 2012 Best Man: Alexander Avakov Arlen Vartan Avakian and Ani Arakelians September 1, 2012 Best Man: Ara Avakian

Manuk Degirmenci and Susanna Petrosian September 9, 2012 Best Man: Arda Degirmenci Maid of Honor: Denise Degirmenci Rami Sameh Said and Aline Lida Kurkjian October 6, 2012 Best Man: Mark Said Maid of Honor: Laura Tumasz

Armen Davtian and Ani Amirian October 20, 2012 Best Man: Arthur Davtian Maid of Honor: Alin Asatourian



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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 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In accordance with Diocesan discipline mandated by the Primate, all Sacraments must be performed 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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