

HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH OF GREATER BOSTON

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012

Celebrant/Preacher: The Pastor

Morning Service: 9:15 a.m.; Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Readings of the Day

Is. 58:13-59:7. 1 Tim. 4:12-5:10. Jn. 3:13-21.

On behalf of the Parish Council, Diocesan Delegates, members of our church-affiliated organizations, and our parishioners, we wish to congratulate Fr. Vasken on his ten years of loving and dedicated service as our Pastor. As he continues in his ministry to our parish and the Diocese, we wish God's blessings on our beloved Der Hayr, Yeretzgin Arpi and Alina.



*Celebrating 50 years on Brattle Street
in Faith, Hope, and Love*

WELCOME TO OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

The Holy Trinity Armenian Church on Brattle Street was consecrated on September 17, 1961. Throughout our 50th Anniversary year, we invite and encourage you to participate in all the wonderful planned celebrations that we feel will bring honor to the legacy our parents and grandparents built for us on historic Brattle Street.

Also, throughout our 50th anniversary year, a gold chalice, donated to our church by James M. Kalustian on this occasion, will be used as the vessel to consecrate the Holy Communion.

WELCOME

We wish to welcome those who are visiting our church. The Pastor and the Parish Council would like to invite you to make the Holy Trinity Church

your spiritual home. You are cordially invited to take part in the Service and activities of our church. If you would like to be placed on our mailing list, please sign our *Guest Book* located in the Vestibule.

FEAST DAYS

- Yesterday was the Feast of the Holy Fathers Athanasius and Cyril.
- Tuesday, January 25, is the Feast of St. Vahan of Goghthn.
- Next Saturday, January 28, is the Feast of St. Gregory the Theologian.

PARTICIPATION IN THE DIVINE LITURGY

Please use the Divine Liturgy books that are found in the pew racks. These books contain the Armenian text as well as the English transliteration and translation in the second section.

For your convenience, the applicable page number in the burgundy Divine Liturgy book is located above both the right and left doors by the Altar leading to the Vestry and Baptistry. When the light shows green, the congregation stands; when the light shows red, the congregation kneels; and when green and red lights are off, you may be seated. If assistance is needed, please ask a member of the Parish Council.

Parishioners are also encouraged to sing with the Choir, whose real purpose is to lead the congregation in singing the hymns. Also join in the recitation of the Creed which is found on pages 18 and 19 of the second section.

CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION

Those faithful who feel spiritually prepared to receive our Lord in the sacrament of Holy Communion are asked **to bring their pew books with them to the General Confession and, together with the deacon, are asked to read the confession aloud.** The essence to this sacrament lies with the individual(s) offering his or her own confession through the priest to God. In addition to reading the text of the confession, each participant must recall his or her own sins, truly seek God's forgiveness, and make a commitment to the Lord to strive not to sin anymore. The English confession may be found on page 48 in the burgundy Divine Liturgy book and on page x in the blue Divine Liturgy book found in the pew racks. We urge our parishioners to come forward for confession and Holy Communion through the center aisle.

PRAYER REQUEST

Your prayers of good health are requested for Adelaida Hoveyan.

ALTAR CANDLES

Today's Altar candles have been donated for the edification of our church by Elise Harrison in memory of uncles, Baghdasar and Nigohos Bohigian, and nephew, Jake Davidian.

REQUIEM SERVICE

We have all been asked to pray during the Divine Liturgy for the souls of:

- **Helen K. Mazoujian**, 40th Day: requested by Aramene & George Sarkisian, Kristin Sarkisian, Wendy Sarkisian, Stephanie Sarkisian & Russell Jewell for mother and grandmother; Marilyn (Sarkisian) Woloohojian & Family RI

- **Edward Antriasian**, 2nd Anniversary: requested by Roxy Antriasian for husband; Adele & Roger Kohler, Stephanie & Anan Natarajan, Ron & Julie Antriasian and Jake, Anjali & Jasmine for father and grandfather; Helen Krikorian

- **Martin Gostanian, Henry Kolligian and Araxie Kolligian**: requested Martin and Henry Gostanian for father and grandparents

- **Charles & Mary Janjikian**: requested by Ann Louise Scott and Children and Arlene & Nick Caldwell & Children for parents & grandparents

- **Mgrdich Kolligian**: From the Trust Fund established by Dr. & Mrs. Michael Kolligian, Jr.

- **Azad Boghosian**: From the Trust Fund established by Esther McQuaid and Julia Boghosian for brother

- **George, Takoohi & Vahan Daniels**: From the Trust Fund established by Mrs. Ann Nahigian and Family for parents and brother

VOGHCHOOYN - KISS OF PEACE

During the Divine Liturgy, when the Parish Council members pass the Kiss of Peace in the church, the response from the receiver should be "Orhnial eh Haidnootyunn Krisdose" (Blessed is the revelation of Christ). When you give the Voghchooyn, please say "Krisdose e mech mer Haydnetsav" (Christ is revealed amongst us).

FELLOWSHIP HOUR IN HONOR OF FR. VASKEN

Following church services, please join us in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall for Fellowship Hour in honor of Fr. Vasken's 10th Anniversary as Pastor of Holy Trinity Church.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Annual Parish Assembly for Holy Trinity dues-paying members will take place following church services on Sunday, February 12, in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall. A light lunch will precede the Assembly and be served in Johnson Hall. Elections for Parish Council, Diocesan Delegates, Auditing Committee and Nominating Committee will be held. Snow date is February 26, 2012.

POON PAREGENTAN CELEBRATION

Hosted by our ACYOA Juniors, a Poon Paregentan celebration will be held following church services on Sunday, February 19, in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall. This is a fun afternoon for the whole family - delicious pot luck buffet; Armenian music and dancing; games and activities for children. Save the date and plan to join us with your family. Details to follow.

STEWARDSHIP 2012 - Celebrating 50 Years on Brattle Street

The goal of our Parish Council is to add 50 new members for the year 2012.

In this our 50th Anniversary year, we invite those who are not currently part of the Stewardship Program to celebrate our legacy and preserve our future by becoming a part of Stewardship 2012. Pledge cards are available in the Vestibule or you may call the church office, 617.354.0632. Payment may be made by credit card, check, or you can make a pledge with payment to be fulfilled for Stewardship 2012 by December 31, 2012.

Our church needs and depends on the Stewardship Program to keep our church solvent. Through our stewardship, may God bless our offering through Faith, Hope and Love.

We thank our current stewards and members for their continued support.

The Tradition of Home Blessing

It is a beloved tradition of the Armenian Church and people to have their homes blessed during the 40-day period following both Christmas and Easter. During this brief service, the priest blesses the bread, water, and salt of the home asking God's grace to be imparted into the nourishment of that home.

It would be Der Vasken's honor and joy to offer this timeless blessing into your home over the Christmas season. Families who wish to have their homes blessed are encouraged to call the church office to make arrangements.

For Your Information . . .

- We have available personal receivers for the hearing impaired that will enhance your hearing ability during the Badarak and sermon. For assistance, please see a Parish Council member in the Vestibule.
- A Reminder - to access our handicap church entrance, follow the Dorian walkway from either the parking lot or to the right of the main doors of the church.
- If you know of someone ill or in need of a visit from our Pastor, please contact the church office, 617 354-0632 or by email, office@htaac.org.
- There are copies of *The Little Golden Bible Storybook* and Bible story picture books available in the Vestibule for the youngest members of our congregation to quietly enjoy during church services. We kindly ask that you return them to the Vestibule at the conclusion of church services.
- You are welcome to attend a weekly Bible Discussion Group for all ages, led by Gregory Tashjian and held every Sunday, at 10:30 a.m., in the Peter Adamian Hall (Room 15). At 11:15 a.m., attendees join the congregation in church.
- Save the Date

Friday, February 3, 10am-12noon; Armenian Women's Fellowship; hosted by Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church, Belmont; Praise and Worship Service; English speaker, Nevart Kaderian, and Armenian speaker, Dr. Arpi Boynerian; refreshments will follow

Saturday, February 4, 7:30pm - Calliope presents *Immigrants to Our Shores*, a concert to benefit the Armenian Heritage Park, at the First Church Boston, 66 Marlborough Street, Boston; Tickets, \$45 premium seating, \$35 general admission, and \$25 student and seniors with ID; may be purchased at www.calliopemusic.org or 617.759.2057, or at the door the day of the performance. Silent Auction and raffle during intermission. For more information, email info@armenianheritagepark.com

2012 ACYOA Armenia Service Program (ASP): June 29-July 19. Opportunity for young adults (ages 18 to 28) to visit our homeland and serve its people. The service portion will take place at two venues in the city of Gyumri, with the welcome assistance of the Fund for Armenian Relief. ASP participants will work at the FAR Soup Kitchen which serves the city's senior citizens, and also at the construction site of the Octet Music School which was completely destroyed during the 1988 earthquake. Alongside the week-long service portion of the trip, the group will visit religious and cultural sites throughout Armenia, including Holy Etchmiadzin, Yerevan, Sevan and Vanadzor. Contact ACYOA Executive Secretary Nancy Basmajian at acyoa@armeniandiocese.org, or at 212.293.1248, or go to www.acyoa.org.

CALENDAR

Jan 22 & 29	Acolyte Training; 12-1pm
Sun, Jan 22	ACYOA Juniors General Membership Meeting and Sports Practice, 12:30-2:30pm
Mon, Jan 23	Parish Council Meeting; Parish House; 6:45pm
Thurs, Jan 26	Friends of Holy Trinity 1000 Club Drawing
Sun, Jan 29	ACYOA Juniors Sports Practice, 1-3pm
Sun, Feb 12	Annual Parish Assembly
Sun, Feb 19	Poon Paregentan
Every Sunday	Bible Study Program led by Gregory Tashjian; Peter Adamian Hall, Rm 15; 10:30-11:15am
<i>Save the Date</i>	
Sat, Mar 17	Holy Trinity Women's Guild to host Regional Sainly Women's Day
Sat, May 12	Holy Trinity Golden Jubile Gala - Plan on joining us for an Unforgettable Evening; 7-11pm; fabulous food, cocktails and dancing to the sounds of DJ Raffi. Experience the Charles & Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall beautifully transformed for a magical evening to celebrate our 50 years on Brattle Street!

Visit our website at www.htaac.org for Der Hayr's sermons, Sunday Bulletins, and the latest issue of the Dajar with pictures in color.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Parishioners who use the weekly offering envelopes are requested to pick up their boxes for the year 2012 in the Vestibule.

We have a limited number of boxes available for 2012. If you are interested in using these, please call the church office.