Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston
Fr. Vasken A. Kouzouian, Pastor

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Yesterday, the Armenian Church celebrated a feast that goes back probably about fifteen centuries or so. It was a day that honored sainthood. This feast day is known as the Feast of All Saints, Old and New, Known and Unknown. It was All Saints Day yesterday. Today, in just a few moments and in Armenian Churches all across our Diocese, we will receive and anoint an icon of the newest saints of the Armenian Church. About six hundred years have passed since a name has been added to the list of saints. This icon will draw your attention. You will see something different in it every time you look at it. It was created to be seen as a mirror so we can see ourselves in it rather than a picture of saints.

In the icon we are to see not only the faith of the Genocide martyrs but also our own faith. We are called to witness our Christianity and our heritage with the same faith and the same passion as those shown in the painting. When we come up to kiss the Holy Icon at the conclusion of our service today, many of us are going to feel a bond with this icon because a part of our family tree is depicted in it. The artist, who created this painting, made an effort to portray every segment of Armenian life as it was in the beginning of the 20th century. Look at this painting when it enters the church and you will see a part of your family tree. It shows us that we are related to saints and that their blood is running through our veins. Our family tree has generations of history and generations of stories to tell, but at the same time our family tree contains a branch that was dead. It was cut off in the prime of life. It was cut off from its traditions and its past. That branch of our family tree has been dead for the last one hundred years.

But our church is making a statement to us as the children and grandchildren of the genocide generation. Today, that branch lives again and, today, that branch is the brightest branch in our family’s history. Our family trees contain a golden branch and that branch is no longer dead. It is now a living branch and that branch is the brightest of all the branches. What does that mean? It means that our focus is no longer on death but on life and that we are the offspring of this resurrected generation.

In this icon you will see many faces of people and you will notice that all the faces seem to be looking at us. Included in this painting are the faces of many children standing among many mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers, merchants and musicians, intellectuals and farmers, clergymen and artists—all of whom perished in the brutality of 1915. To the left of the Archbishop, in the center of the painting, is a mother and child. In the mother’s eyes we see the depth of love. It’s as if our ancestors are looking at us and telling us that:

- “You are our living legacy to the world.
- “You are the future we never had.
- “You have re-built our churches.
- “You have re-built our homes and our schools so that the faith that we inherited is passed down to the generations yet to be born.
- “Our legacy to you is that we stand with you.
- “That when you walk into your world today, you do not walk alone; we walk with you.
- “Our legacy to you is for you to actively live the faith of your ancestors.
- “It is for you to carry the Cross of Jesus Christ with you in life.
- “And it is our prayer for all of you to understand that out of this great tragedy that

An unforgettable moving experience as the Replica of our Martyred Saints of 1915 Icon entered our Sanctuary on Sunday, November 1, 2015, as we joined the churches around the Diocese in the Blessing of the Icon.

May God’s Grace shine through our Martyred Saints.
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**Excerpts from Parish Council Member Susan Derderian’s Remarks at Volunteer Appreciation Reception, October 4**

I want to welcome you to the story of us - the story of Holy Trinity Armenian Church. On behalf of our Pastor and the Parish Council, we would like to welcome all of you and to thank you for the service that you have provided to our parish and our community over the years. Our Holy Trinity family is filled with wonderful, caring parishioners who have given of their time and their lives to make our parish the success that it has become. Our people have learned to lead by example and have taught their children to continue that legacy - generation after generation. We are who we are because of all of you. Your warmth and your caring, your beautiful souls who gather together and help each other, have made all of us a family through the generations. We wanted to recognize the importance of volunteers, and we wanted to take the time to thank you for that.

Whether you have given of your time Sunday after Sunday to serve at the altar or sing in the choir, or to teach our faith and our culture to our children in our church schools and summer camps, taken care of the mahs on Sunday mornings, mended altar cloths, been part of the youth group, or …

- baked choreg or manti, or skewered shish kebab, worked in the kitchen making pilaf or serving meals, made pastry for a booth, or manned a booth, stood in the rain for hours at the grill, waited tables at our banquets or …

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We were filled with 225 area clergy from New England, parishioners, friends, family and guests who came together to honor Deacon Jim, a devoted and dedicated son of the Holy Trinity parish, the Armenian Church and the Armenian community, to celebrate the 54th anniversary of the consecration of our Church on Brattle Street, and to recognize two outgoing Parish Council members and two outgoing Diocesan Delegates.

Daniel K. Dorian, Vice Chairman of Holy Trinity’s Parish Council, served as Master of Ceremonies. The afternoon’s program was a wonderful and fitting tribute to Deacon Jim who has worked tirelessly for his parish, and the Armenian Church and community – both nationally and internationally – and whose leadership and dedication have made a difference. Dr. Albert Kalustian, offered the Toast in honor of his brother, stating that “Other than golf, the most important things in Jim’s life are family, church and the Armenian community. I believe that for Jim these are all synonymous, as he considers the Church and the Armenian community part of his family …’’”

High Sheriff of Middlesex County, Peter Koutoujian, offered his personal gratitude to Deacon Jim for the leadership he offered the Armenian community through the Armenian Heritage Park, and presented Jim with a framed certificate from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office in recognition of Deacon Jim being honored as Parishioner of the Year and the contributions he has made.

Anthony Barsamian, Esq., Co-Chairman of the Massachusetts Armenian Genocide Centennial Committee, read a congratulatory letter from former Governor Deval Patrick. “You are a most deserving
honoree!” wrote the former Governor. “Your work on the Armenian Heritage Park, on the Supreme Council of the Holy See, as Chairman of the Diocesan Council of the Eastern Diocese, and as Co-Chair of the 100th (Anniversary) Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide,” he continued, “attest to your years of exceptional service to and leadership of the Armenian Church and community, and the whole of the Commonwealth. Your grandmother would be proud of you. I know I am. Thank you for your example and friendship.”

Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr., Chairman of the Parish Council, recognized and spoke about the dedication and devotion of two outgoing Parish Council members – Ara Hollisian and Thomas H. Stephanian – and two outgoing Diocesan Delegates – Gerald Ajemian and David DerVartanian. Each was presented with a gift of appreciation.

To the enjoyment of all present, Fr. Martiros sang a special song in Deacon Jim’s honor – “Horovel” by Gomidas Vartabed.

Fr. Vasken, in his tribute to Deacon Jim, stated, “On this 100th Anniversary year of the Armenian Genocide, it is befitting that today we honor a grandchild of survivors. Jim, a grandson of survivors from Kharupert, Izmir, and Arapkir, is a powerful fulfillment of the hope held by the survivors’ generation. The Jim I have known over the years has always appreciated and honored his Armenian roots, all the while advancing himself through the best this land has to offer. Jim grew up in this church. What he valued came from his parents and grandparents. What he learned, he learned from watching those who came before him. What they instilled in him was: Faith, Hope, and Love for his Heritage and his Country, and he has defined himself through both over the years. . . . Jim has worked for the betterment of the Armenian Church and Community his entire adult life. . . . In this 100th Anniversary year,” concluded Fr. Vasken, “Deacon Jim Kalustian, a grandson of Survivors, a son of Holy Trinity, and a leader of the Armenian Church, is Holy Trinity’s ‘Parishioner of the Year.”

Greg Kolligian in his remarks, reflected upon the three most influential people in his life at Holy Trinity Church - Deacon Gregory Krikorian, Fr. Vasken A. Kouzouian, and now Deacon Jim Kalustian. Greg was grateful to Deacon Jim for his mentorship during Greg’s years serving on the Parish Council. On behalf of the parish, Greg thanked Deacon Jim for all he has done for Holy Trinity, the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, the world-wide Armenian Church and all Armenians throughout the world. Greg stated, however, that all this would not be possible were it not for Deacon Jim’s parents, Martin and Mimi Kalustian, to whom he also expressed thanks and gratitude.

Greg then read a letter from Deacon Jim to Fr. Vasken in which Jim wrote that the Church would be receiving a gift of $75,000 for the design, development and construction of the “Martin and Mimi Kalustian Learning Lab” in the Peter Adamian Hall complex area. This gift would also include the installation of Wi-Fi and/or wiring for the entire Sunday School complex. Jim stated, “While the message and teachings of our church have remained constant for generations, it is my belief that the means by which we teach and educate our community needs to evolve. It is my desire to create a learning lab that will utilize the latest technology and interactive teaching methodology for the betterment of all generations of our church community. . . .” “My parents always emphasized the importance of family, faith, heritage and education. I feel this will be a fitting tribute to their unwavering commitment to those tenets,” concluded Jim.

A gift of appreciation from the Holy Trinity parish was presented to Deacon Jim who then began his remarks by talking about being a descendent of Genocide survivors, what his grandparents endured, and what lessons it taught him through stories told by his parents. “For while I am so proud to be American, the legacy that was passed from my grandparents helped me to realize that it was our responsibility to make sure that we let the world know that we are not victims of the Genocide but in fact are victors. Our rich heritage, our presence here today and all that we have accomplished in our church communities throughout the United States bears witness to the fact that we as a people have triumphed over those who sought to eradicate us from the face of the earth.” Jim stressed that today was not
about him, “but about us – our Holy Trinity Family – and what we can do both collectively and as
individuals to say thank you for our many blessings and to give back to our community” both in
America and in Armenia. His remarks focused on three areas: (1) give thanks for what you are
and what you have; (2) conduct a self-assessment – who am I? What have I done? What have I
contributed? and last, (3) look to the future: What can I become and what is there left for me to do?
Deacon Jim emphasized that “We should also remember that service to others is not an obligation
but a privilege.” He also took this opportunity to thank some fellow parishioners who helped shape
his sense of service.

His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, in his closing remarks, spoke about the importance
and significance of this past year when the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide were canonized as
saints of our church. He stated that “Today, you are honoring a gentleman who exemplifies the way
the ‘Legacy of Our Martyrs’ can be an inspiration, and a force for good in our society. For Deacon
James Kalustian, I know that his inspirational legacy begins with his grandparents: Genocide
survivors from Kharpert, Smyrna, and my own native city of Arapkir. That legacy was reinforced
in Jim through his dedicated parents, Martin and Mimi. And I know he took special inspiration from
his godfather, Mark Kalustian, a man of deep learning with a thirst for knowledge. Through the
element of such people, Jim came to experience and understand the meaning of sainthood. And
he has applied that meaning to his daily life – whether in business, community action, and
especially service to the church. The Legacy of Our Martyrs has inspired Jim to take up service
and understand the meaning of leadership roles in our church at the local, national and even
international levels. And in a spirit of honoring that legacy, he has succeeded in making the story of
our martyrs known within the broader reaches of this city and American society.” In congratulating
Deacon Jim on this honor, during this very special milestone year, His Eminence presented Jim with an
Armenian-motif ornament by New York artist, Michael Aram.

The day’s wonderful program came to a conclusion with the Benediction offered by the Primate. Banquet
coordinators were William and Karen Martin. Sincerest thanks and appreciation were expressed to them
and to all those who underwrote many of the Banquet expenses.

Photos courtesy of Ruth E. Boghosian
Video presentation prepared by
Yn. Arpi Kouzouian
Banquet Videographer, Ara Hollisian

It has been an impressive recent series of Holy Trinity Events

• “Day of Celebration” in honor of Seta A. Buchter on September 20, as she retired from her duties in Christian Education as Holy Trinity Sunday School Superintendent for 28 years

With a wonderful video presentation of our former Sunday School Superintendent’s 28 years shown on our large screen and a delicious buffet table for everyone to enjoy, parishioners, teachers, and students came together to personally express their gratitude to Seta A. Buchter for the limitless love and devotion she had shown during her tenure as Superintendent of our Sunday School. Following a glowing tribute from Fr. Vasken and remarks by Susan Derderian, Parish Council liaison to the Sunday School, Chris Tashjian, former student and now parent of two students, and Rose Aznavorian, Barbara Surabian and Lisa Whitemore, three longtime teachers, offered their reflections and warm thoughts. To make the day even more special for Seta, her daughter, Dr. Christina Buchter who resides in New York, was by her mother’s side to share in the warmth and love shown to Seta. Thank you to our current Sunday School Superintendent, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, for the wonderful video presentation.

• Volunteer Appreciation Reception on October 4, expressing our parish’s appreciation to all our wonderful Holy Trinity Volunteers

This event, spearheaded by our Pastor and Parish Council, was in honor of all Holy Trinity volunteers for their love, support and devotion to our church. We couldn’t do what we do without you.

Above, thank you to our Volunteer Appreciation Committee organizers, Parish Council member Susan Derderian, Lois Malconian and Annie Youssoufian for a wonderful buffet.

Right, a great group of volunteers: Cathy Minassian, Parish Council, Grace Boyajian, Barbara Surabian, and Rose Aznavorian.

In addition to recognizing what our volunteers do for our parish (see remarks made by Susan Derderian on page 4), they were also acknowledged for what they have done and do for our Armenian and non-Armenian community; i.e., hosting the 2011 Diocesan Assembly; our annual Christmas Holiday Concerts with the Erevan Choral Society; the Dr. Michael and Joyce Kolligian Distinguished Speaker Series; etc. A wonderful video presentation, of our volunteers in action over the years, as prepared by Ara Hollisian, was shown. If you have never volunteered and would like to be involved, even if only for a couple of hours, please call the church office for more information.
• **Honoring Deacon James M. Kalustian as our “Parishioner of the Year” and celebrating the 54th Anniversary of our Church, on October 18**
  See article and photos on pages 5-8.

• **In an historic and moving service, Blessing of the replica of the Icon of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide, on November 1**

   The Icon of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide was commissioned by the Catholicos of All Armenians, His Holiness Karekin II, and painted by Tigran Barkhanajyan for the 2015 ceremony of canonization, marking the 100th year of remembrance of the Armenian Genocide. The original is on view at the museum of the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin.

   With three generations participating in the service, Holy Trinity joined churches around the Diocese in anointing a replica of our Martyred Saints Icon.

   Above, Rose Aznavorian, a descendant of an Armenian Genocide survivor, washing the Icon with wine, after Grace Boyajian standing to the left, another Genocide survivor descendant, washed the Icon with water.

   Above, Fr. Mampre A. Kouzouian, Fr. Vasken Kouzouian, Pastor, and Deacon Gregory Krikorian, during the Consecration Service. Right, Bill Martin kissing the Sainted Martyrs Icon. Also, see photo on page 2.

• **Honoring our Veterans**

  On Sunday, November 8, our parish had the opportunity to thank our veterans for their service to our country as they participated in various portions of the Divine Liturgy.

• **Our Jerusalem Pilgrimage participants sharing their unforgettable journey “Walking in the Footsteps of Our Lord,” on November 8**

   As the participants planned a delicious buffet centered around the foods enjoyed in Jerusalem, Gary Kalajian said it best - “All we need is Lazar [our guide], a bus and driver.” All participants except college student Celia Whitcomb, re-connected on Sunday, November 8, to share with parishioners their spiritual journey to the Holy Land in July. There’s a special bond that was formed among the 20 pilgrims with unforgettable memories to last a lifetime “Walking in the Footsteps of Our Lord.”
• Blessing of the Water Service on November 15. Using the newly-received Holy Muron that was blessed by His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, on September 27, in Holy Etchmiadzin, in a service conducted every seven years.

• “Day of Recognition” in honor of Deacon Gregory Krikorian

On Sunday, November 15, following church services, Holy Trinity honored longtime parishioner Dn. Gregory Krikorian for his 50 years serving on the Altar of Holy Trinity Church. During the reception, family, friends and parishioners paid tribute to a devoted son of the Armenian Church. Fr. Vasken presented Dn. Greg with a plaque bearing an image of the church altar. Dn. James M. Kalustian, chair of the Diocesan Council, read a letter from Diocesan Primate, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, and on behalf of the Primate, Jim presented Dn. Greg with the highest award of our Diocese, the “St. Vartan Award.”

• Razmik Mansourian - Live in Concert - sponsored by Holy Trinity’s Armenian School

On Sunday evening, November 15, the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall was transformed into a Concert Hall with Razmik Mansourian from California. Accompanying him were Albert Bulbulian and Hovhannes Meghrilyan. Razmik has given many concerts, including venues in London, Paris and Moscow and 32 concerts in Los Angeles. He has also starred in more than 30 notable films and is widely loved and respected in the worldwide Armenian community. Thank you to Naira Balagyozian for organizing this event.

• Dedication of Our Newly-Renovated Kitchen

Prior to the start of the ACYOA Thanksgiving Luncheon on Sunday, November 22, the ribbon cutting and blessing of our newly-renovated kitchen took place. This renovation was made possible by a gift from the estate of Mrs. Deran Hintlian and, also, by the family of Deran and Ann Hintlian. In addition to expressing the parish’s deep gratitude to Lu Ann (Hintlian) Ohanian and Kenneth Hintlian, Fr. Vasken thanked Parish Council member Paul Jamgotchian for overseeing the renovation and purchases for this project. Paul also wished to thank David Dorian, Cynthia Kazanjian, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, Bill and Karen Martin, and Nancy D. Kasarjian for their assistance with this huge undertaking.

• First Annual Brightening of Our Christmas Tree

The Pastor and Parish Council wish to thank all those who took part in the First Annual Brightening of Our Christmas Tree that began on Sunday, November 22, and culminated on Sunday, December 20, with the placing of the angel on the tree.

Special gratitude is expressed to Robert and Marilyn Takvorian and Melissa Takvorian-Bene for their generous donation that gave them the honor of placing the angel on our tree in memory of their son and brother, Gregory Robert Takvorian.

Our tree grew brighter each week as parishioners contributed $20 for each light towards this festive endeavor. A total of 183 lights brightened our tree.

Photo: Marilyn & Bob Takvorian, Melissa Takvorian-Bene, Steven Bene and Juliette

Photos, Ruth E. Boghosian
To all our parishioners who devoted their time before and during our 2015 Trinity Christmas Bazaar, we wish to express our deepest gratitude, for without your time, effort, and heartfelt commitment, our Bazaar would not be possible. We also wish to sincerely thank all our sponsors who were responsible for the financial success of this year’s Bazaar. Thank you for helping to continue this largest fundraiser and cherished Holy Trinity tradition.

Ara Hollisan and Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr., Bazaar Co-Chairmen

Fr. Vasken and the Parish Council extend their grateful appreciation to Ara and Greg for their magnanimous effort in co-chairing this year’s very successful Bazaar.

Congratulations to:

Our Bazaar Super Raffle Winners:
1st Prize, $2,500 - Joan Osganian
2nd Prize, $1,000 - Richard Haroutunian
3rd Prize, $1,000 - Joyce Guleserian
4th, 5th and 6th Prizes, $500 each: Garineh Goshgarian, Charlotte Eordekian and Jack Pilibosian

Winners of our Trinity Christmas Bazaar Raffle:
1st Prize - iPad Air 2, Wi-Fi 64GB Silver - Sylvia Carter
2nd Prize - iPad Mini 4, Wi-Fi 64GB Space Gray - Steven Kasarjian
3rd Prize - Apple Watch 38mm Silver Aluminum Case, White Sport Band - Peter Talanian

2015 marked a year of renewal, reflection, and hope for Armenians all over the world. Since the official centenary of the Armenian Genocide saw the recognition of its martyrs as saints by the Armenian Apostolic Church, the advent of the year’s Christmas and Nativity season was bound to hold a special meaning for Armenians. Our annual Christmas Holiday Concert by the Erevan Choral Society, held in our beautiful church sanctuary on December 13, and directed by the capable and indefatigable Composer Konstantin Petrossian, sought to pay tribute to both the solemnity and the joy that consequently marked an unusual holiday season.

As befits a year of renewal, this year’s concert featured both new voices and familiar voices in new roles. Almost traditionally, the concert featured a world premier: the choral vocalise “Aghotk,” (“Prayer”) by Martin Vardazaryan, a performance dedicated to two departed Erevan Choral Society benefactors, Gerald Ajemian and Garbis Barsoumian. Perhaps most novel was the virtuoso performance by the capella quartet, The Bostonians, in which alto Roselin Osser, tenor Michael Calmès, and bass Philip Lima joined soprano Nouné Karapetian, a performer well-known to Armenian audiences. The quartet offered a lyrical and spirited rendition of the carol “Ding Dong Merrily on High” and of Armenian songs “Cilicia” and “Noubar, Noubar,” the last two dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. All four singers’ mastery of the Armenian lyrics clearly impressed and delighted the audience. Also new to Erevan Choral Society was accomplished operatic soprano Knarik Nerkararyan who impressed as soloist in Charles Gounod’s familiar “Ave Maria,” composed over Bach’s first prelude from The Well-Tempered Clavier, and in Composer Petrossian’s own “Diramayr,” dedicated to the memory of Diramayr Sirvart Minassian, the mother of the Erevan Choral Society’s beloved founder, the Very Rev. Fr. Oshagan Minassian. Also new to the performance was alto saxophonist Andrei Sobchenko’s fluid rendition of Mel Torme’s “Christmas Song.” Finally, longstanding Erevan Choral Society alto Jane Zanichkowsky reprised her solo in John Rutter’s arrangement of the carol “How Great Our Joy.”

Fr. Vasken Kouzouian had the pleasure of welcoming two remarkable dignitaries to close out the program. His Excellency Zohrab Mnatsakanyan, the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations, spoke movingly and fluently of the seminal role of Armenia and Armenians in framing and pursuing issues of genocide, human rights, and accountability among all peoples; and His Beatitude Archbishop Nourhan Manougian, Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem, brought the blessings of Bethlehem and the greetings of the Armenian community of the Holy Land with him. His Beatitude delivered closing remarks, stressing the unity of the Armenian people, church and culture in overcoming the terrible events of a hundred years ago and carrying on a spiritual and cultural tradition which, it is to be hoped, will sustain us for the next century and beyond.

- From article written by Robert Dulgarian
**Blessing of the Water Service, January 10**

In commemoration of Christ’s Baptism, the Blessing of the Water Service was held on Sunday, January 10.

Kevork Atinizian II, son of Nigoghos and Roset Atinizian, served as Godfather of the Holy Cross.

In honor of this occasion, Nigoghos and Roset Atinizian made a $500 donation to the church.

Following church services, an Armenian Christmas Family Luncheon, sponsored by our Sunday School, was held in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall.

**Blessing of Liturgical Vessels**

On Sunday, January 17, two new beautiful liturgical vessels were cleansed and blessed at the conclusion of church services: a chalice brought back from our parish’s pilgrimage to Jerusalem and gifted to our church by an anonymous donor and a Gospel cover gifted by Armen Skenderian. Our gratitude is expressed to the benefactors.

**Save the Dates:**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2:30 P.M. - EREVAN CHORAL SOCIETY SPRING CONCERT; CHURCH SANCTUARY**

**THURSDAY, MAY 12, 7 P.M. - THE DR. MICHAEL AND JOYCE KOLLIGIAN DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES WITH JOHN PRENDERGAST, FOUNDER OF “THE ENOUGH PROJECT,” AN INITIATIVE TO END GENOCIDE AND CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY; CHARLES AND NEVART TALANIAN CULTURAL HALL**

Both programs are a gift to the community.

**From the Women of Holy Trinity**

**AN EVENING OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

On October 20, Health Coach Elle Bozoyan spoke to the Women of Holy Trinity, offering tangible nutrition tips, self-care practices and lifestyle strategies to help make our health, wellness and (inner and outer) beauty a priority in our busy lives. To find out more about our guest speaker, please visit www.ellebozoyan.com.

**ARMENIAN CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

On January 6, the Women of Holy Trinity and members of the Trinity Men’s Union gathered for a joint Armenian Christmas Party. Equally sharing in the responsibilities, the Women prepared the festive mezzé and dessert, and the Men, under the leadership of Chairman Dave Dorian, prepared the delicious kebab dinner. Following the meal, everyone enjoyed the awe-inspiring talents of Magician, Juggler and Funny Guy Robert Clarke. Many thanks to Ann Danielson who prepared hand-crafted holiday favors for all the guests. For more information on the evening’s entertainer, please visit www.robertclarkeisfunny.com.

Many thanks to those who provided refreshments on October 20, and prepared food for the Christmas Party, including Linda Abkarian, Ann Danielson, M.L. Hedison, Becky Hintlian, Nancy Hintlian, Karen Hovsepian, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, Karen Martin, and Cathy Minassian.

The Women of Holy Trinity meets regularly, offering a variety of programming that appeals to all aspects of our lives as Armenian Christian women living in America and creating opportunities for all women of the Holy Trinity Church community to gather in worship, fellowship, education and service. The Women of Holy Trinity is seeking new members to serve on both the Core and Sub-Committees. If you would like to join us, please email the group at HTAAOWomen@gmail.com.
ACYOA juniors update

October 9-12, 2015 – ACYOA juniors October Sports Weekend

Eighteen of our ACYOA juniors joined the 220 juniors from 14 parishes that participated in the October Sports Weekend hosted by Armenian Church of the Holy Martyrs in Bayside, NY. Many thanks to our coaches and chaperones, Danielle Malconian and Ronnie Malconian, for volunteering their time and mentoring our juniors.

Thanksgiving Luncheon and Live Service Auction

On November 22, following the Kitchen Renovation Ribbon Cutting and Blessing, the ACYOA hosted its annual Thanksgiving Luncheon and Live Service Auction, feeding more than 300 guests in just under 20 minutes! Many thanks to David Minassian for preparing the delicious meal, and to all the parents, and the 47 ACYOA Seniors and Juniors who helped set up, cook, and serve for the event.

Special thanks also to Live Service Auctioneer Gregory Ekchian, and to the 22 ACYOA members who volunteered and donated their services and helped raise $1,340 for the ACYOA (photo below).

From November 27-28, the ACYOA juniors took part in a Thanksgiving themed Lock-in, “Being Grateful in All Circumstances.” Participants enjoyed plenty of social time and worship, as well as insightful discussions led by Fr. Vasken and Yn. Arpi.

ACYOA junior volunteers at Annual Trinity Christmas Bazaar

Many thanks to the ACYOA Junior volunteers who hosted a Polar Express Pajama Party for children, ran the Punch Board, supervised children’s activities, and helped with Santa photos during this year’s Trinity Christmas Bazaar.

Annual Christmas Ball

The ACYOA juniors hosted their seventh annual Christmas Ball on December 12, welcoming fellow juniors from 7 area parishes. In addition to a fun night of dancing and socializing, attendees participated in a community outreach project by writing Christmas cards to 8 year old burn victim Safyre Terry of Schenectady, NY, and to the students of the Sts. Tarkmanchatz Armenian School of Jerusalem, which also benefited from receiving 20% of the proceeds from the Ball.

Celtics Fundraiser

On January 15, twenty-five parishioners and friends converged on TD Garden to witness the Boston Celtics’ 117 to 103 victory over the Phoenix Suns. Highlights of the evening included a visit up in the stands from Celtics Legend and Basketball Hall of Famer JoJo White, along with a shoutout on the Jumbotron!! Thanks to Kevork Atinizian for coordinating this ACYOA Celtics Fundraiser, the proceeds of which benefited both the ACYOA juniors and the ACYOA seniors 2016 General Assembly and Sports Weekend.
The ACYOA Juniors is open to all youth ages 12 to 18. If you or someone you know is interested in or eligible to join the ACYOA Juniors, please contact the Youth Director, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, at youth@htaac.org.

Upcoming Events: February 7 – Poon Paregentan Celebration; March 20 – Palm Sunday Banquet

ACYOA Seniors Update

In the midst of preparing for the upcoming ACYOA General Assembly and Sports Weekend coming up Memorial Day weekend, the ACYOA Seniors have also been busy with their regular monthly programming.

In August the Seniors hosted a busy weekend with their monthly Trivia Night on August 15, followed by their annual Soorp Asdvazadzin Basturma and Eggs Brunch on Sunday, August 16. To cap off their busy weekend, they celebrated with a pool party at the home of Dan and Lisa Dorian.

On October 4, the ACYOA Seniors hosted their second YAMN Event, focused on the topic: “Resumes, LinkedIn and Interviewing: What You Need to Know.” The Young Adult Mentoring Network (YAMN) is targeted to high school students, college students and recent graduates, but all ages are welcome. Please contact HTACmentoring@gmail.com to ask questions, volunteer as a mentor, or if you are seeking/offering job opportunities.

One of the speakers, Christine Hovsepian, right, HR and Payroll Administration/Accounting Assistant, Schernecker Property Services, talked about the importance of a powerful LinkedIn profile.

On November 1, the ACYOA hosted a very entertaining and exciting Alumni Volleyball Tournament, a Sports Weekend fundraiser. Following a complimentary lunch during which the Consecration of the Martyred Icons video was shown, the Tournament welcomed 11 diverse teams made up of over 80 players.

First Place St. James Team alongside second place Spike That!
Teams included The Sunday School Spikers, Grandma’s Cray-Crayolas, OPAF (Our Parents are Friends), Fugazi, Rotating Rhondas, So Hye, the very well dressed Hye Impact, as well as teams from our neighboring St. James and Holy Translators parishes. In an incredible turn of events, Der Vasken’s team, Spike That, placed second overall, just behind St. James Team A. Many thanks to Tournament referee Vickie Alani, and to all those who supported the event by playing, donating, or just cheering on the teams. The Seniors efforts raised over $2,500 to benefit the 2016 Sports Weekend.

On January 9, the ACYOA Seniors hosted the 5th Annual Winter Ball. Guests of all ages enjoyed the live music of Brian Ansbigian, David Ansbigian, Leon Janikian, Jason Narosian, and guest musicians Armen Janigian and Michael Narosian. Many thanks to event chairmen, Sandra Hovsepian and Anna Margaryan, for taking the lead on the planning of the event, and to all those who supported the event, including event donors, James Kalustian, Adrienne and John Kefeyan and Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.

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Preparing for May 2016

In preparation for the 2016 General Assembly and Sports Weekend, the Sports Weekend Committee has participated in many planning meetings, including a meeting with the ACYOA Central Council in Shahe Hall on October 3 (photo below), and even squeezed in a meeting at the St. James Bazaar on October 16.

Upcoming Events

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SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2015-JANUARY 2016

On September 13, Holy Trinity Sunday School opened its doors to welcome students and staff to a new chapter in our parish’s Christian education journey under the direction of newly appointed Superintendent, Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, who brings over three decades of experience in ministering to the children, youth and young adults of the Armenian Church. As expressed in her “Message from the Superintendent,” “Our goal as Christian educators in the Armenian Church is to help our children develop and grow in their faith and relationship with Christ. We want our children to know God, to recognize His presence and power in their lives, and to strive each day to make choices that help them lead lives that are God-pleasing, choices that bring them closer to Him and to their Armenian Christian faith....We have a responsibility to instill this love of God and our Armenian Church into our children; we must help them grow as Armenian Christians.”

A Busy First Half of the Year

On September 20, many of our Sunday School staff and families were present to personally thank and congratulate our former Superintendent during the Day of Celebration Reception Honoring Seta A. Buchter. The following week, in our Church sanctuary, teachers, parents, students and parishioners alike publicly witnessed their commitment to our Sunday School program during the Service of Rededication.

Right, Primate’s Visit to the Sunday School, October 18

During the Open House on November 22, parents were welcomed to visit their children’s classrooms and experience a typical Sunday lesson, while discovering first-hand what their children are learning about this year in Sunday School.

Parents of older students were put to the test by taking part in a curriculum challenge. Following the visit to the classrooms, parents and students attended the Thanksgiving Family Service to worship together and receive Holy Communion, followed by a Youth Sermon offered by Fr. Vasken.

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, Grade 3 students were presented with Bibles.

Photo: Students Christina Hovnanian, William Hughes, and Lillian Walsh with Der Vasken, Yn. Arpi, and co-teacher Regina Kalajian and substitute teacher, Julie Maranian. Missing from photo: Brendan Buck and Aara Parseghian.

From November 15 through December 13, our Sunday School participated in a new Christmas Outreach initiative, a Giving Tree to benefit the families of Solutions at Work. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our Sunday School families, the gift requests of 40 children and teens were fulfilled. Solutions at Work helps thousands of homeless and low-income people break the cycle of poverty and homelessness by providing resources and opportunities to strengthen their self-confidence, achieve self-sufficiency, and participate in helping others. For more information about the organization, please visit www.solutionsatwork.org.

On December 6, our Sunday School held its annual Christmas Workshop, a fun morning of “organized chaos” as our students made ornaments for our Sunday School Christmas tree, followed by a delicious breakfast provided by the Sunday School parents. Many thanks to our teachers for their creativity and to our parents for supplying and preparing the breakfast.

On December 20, weeks of hard work by both our students and staff culminated in the Sunday School’s presentation of “The Story of Christmas” during the annual Christmas Pageant. A sincere and heartfelt thank you to all of our staff for helping to make this year’s Christmas Pageant a beautiful and memorable gift to our Church community. Special thanks to Pageant Director, Susan Derderian, for her continued leadership and service in putting the Pageant together, and to Donna Greer Shervanian, Executive Director of Dedham TV, and her son and assistant, Alex Shervanian, for videotaping the Pageant.
Trinity Kids’ Place 2015

Trinity Kids' Place celebrated its 10th year of summer fun from August 10-14 and August 17-21. During the two-week session, 23 children ages 3-9 joined us as we explored the theme, “Growing Up In Christ.” Participants learned five key ingredients in growing in their relationship with Christ, including reading the Bible, praying, obeying God’s commandments, going to Church and witnessing our faith.

As part of witnessing her faith, Sunday School Curriculum Advisor, Rose Aznavorian, shared with participants the significance of the khatchkar (stone cross), a reminder to us of everyone who had to leave their homes during the Genocide. Continuing on the theme of the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, participants and staff painted beautiful Forget-Me-Not flowers on canvas, led by our own resident artist Sona Manoukian. Linda Agazarian Bullock, an accomplished Music and Dance Instructor, and the Choir Director of Armenian Church of Our Saviour in Worcester, MA, taught the children dances and songs to help them express their faith.

Many thanks to the incredible staff that makes Trinity Kids' Place such a fun and memorable experience: Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, Director, Ann Danielson, Curriculum Advisor, Suzanne Ekchian and Anna Margaryan, Staff; and the enthusiastic Junior Staff: Nicole Azarian, Adelaida Balagyozyan, Tori Hintlian, Alina Kouzouian, David Manoukian, Michael Manoukian, Diana Margaryan, Helen Margaryan, Isabella Maserejian, Katerina Ohanyan, Aleen Ostayan and Sevag Ostayan; and to our visiting helpers: Alex Ensign, Talia Kaplanian, Naneh Petrosyan and Caroline Thayer. Our genuine heartfelt thanks to Fr. Vasken for always witnessing and sharing his faith with the entire Trinity Kids’ Place family.

Please mark your calendars for the 2016 season, August 8-12 and August 15-19. Trinity Kids' Place is open to children ages 3-9 (3 by January 1, 2016). Applications will be available by April 1. Please contact the director at youth@htaac.org with any questions.

DID YOU KNOW?

- It takes 41 volunteers to run our Sunday School? 18 teachers; 9 substitutes; 11 student assistants; and 2 administrative staff.
- The Sunday School is made up of 81 families? 57 student families + 24 staff families with a total of 89 students, 14 of which are new to our Sunday School.
- Our Sunday School has a Parents’ Corner? A bulletin board dedicated to information just for parents, including Bible passages, what’s coming up “Next Week in Sunday School, and a featured parish event.
- “Holy Trinity Sunday School Families” is on Facebook? If you are a Sunday school parent, you can join our Facebook group to stay up to date with what’s happening in Sunday School.
- The Sunday School has a Music Appreciation Program? As a vital part of their curriculum, students in grades 3-6 enjoy monthly sessions with Dan Teager, who is teaching our children not only the music and lyrics of the Divine Liturgy, but also the purpose and relevance of our sacred hymns. In addition, our Youth Choir, open to all children and youth in Grades 3 and above, practices regularly. We truly appreciate your support in helping to encourage all of our Church's children to take part in these vital ministry programs, both for their personal benefit, and for the benefit of the future Church.

About our Sunday School

The Holy Trinity Sunday School meets weekly from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Peter Adamian Hall and follows the Diocesan Department of Christian Education’s curriculum. All children aged 3-17 are welcome (must be 3 by September 1 of the current academic year) There is a nominal materials fee for each student, which is waived where at least one parent is a current dues-paying member or a full-time Sunday School teacher or assistant. Students may register at any point during the academic year. For a registration packet, Parent Handbook, or for any questions about our Sunday School ministry, please email the Superintendent at youth@htaac.org.
THE GREGORY HINTLIAN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Well, it took us until the last day of August, but it was worth the wait!! Due to inclement weather, this year’s tournament, originally scheduled for June 15 at Marlborough Country Club, was postponed to Monday, August 31, when we had a wonderful turnout and great day of golf and fellowship with Greg’s family and friends. Our sincere gratitude to our Tournament Sponsors, Silent Auction and Raffle donors, tee sponsors, golfers, and volunteers. Our deep appreciation to Co-Chairmen, Aram Hintlian and Jeff Hintlian, and their Committee: Nancy Hintlian, Nancy E. Hintlian, Cynthia and Dick Kazanjian, Greg Krikorian, Cathy Minassian, Bruce Newell, Bruce Ohanian, and Elissa Robertson.

OUR YOUNG ADULTS STUDYING ABROAD

A few of our parishioners are currently or have had the wonderful opportunity to study abroad. Among them are:

- **Ani Hollisian**, daughter of Ara and June Hollisian, studied at Suffolk University’s Madrid Campus during the 2015 spring semester. She was based in Madrid, Spain, but almost every other weekend had the opportunity to travel to many surrounding countries.

- **Harry Lang**, a 4th year PhD student in Mathematics at Johns Hopkins University, was awarded a Fulbright Academic Grant to pursue his dissertation research in France. He is currently living in Palaiseau and working in the Geometrica lab on the campus of Ecole Polytechnique in the Saclay suburb of Paris. Harry is pursuing research in the new and growing area of topological data analysis. He recently presented his work at a seminar on the Mediterranean Island of Porquerolles, and he will be traveling to Corsica for a conference. Harry is the son of Lt. Col. Robert and Susan Lang.

- **Michelle Sahagian**, daughter of Richard and Nancy Sahagian, was accepted into the study abroad program as a freshman at Syracuse University, and took classes at the Institut International d’Études Françaises (IIEF) of the Université de Strasbourg in France. She is taking a dual major in psychology and forensic science. She enjoyed traveling all around Europe.

- **Caroline Thayer**, daughter of Harvey and Valerie Kolligian Thayer, was in Prague, Czech Republic, studying Central European History. Her classes centered around her minor of Political Science at Elon University. Describing the city as “embellished with beautiful Baroque architecture,” she says she had a wonderful time exploring Prague and Europe.

OUR TRINITY FAMILY FESTIVAL

Our parishioners and friends didn’t let a little damp weather stop them from enjoying our annual Trinity Family Festival on Sunday, September 13. The Pastor and Parish Council extend their deep gratitude to David Dorian and Jack Ekchian, Co-Chairs again this year, and to all our super volunteers. Thank you, also, to all those who supported our raffle, and congratulations to the winners: 1st Prize, $1,000 - Richard O’Reilly; 2nd prize, $300 - Dr. Parnag Kasarjian; and 3rd Prize, $200 - James M. Kalustian.

A sincere THANK YOU to all the volunteers who worked before and during our Trinity Family Festival held on Sunday, September 13. It was a wonderful day for our church family and friends, both the young and young-at-heart.

David Dorian and Jack Ekchian
Festival Co-Chairmen
**Parish Notes**

Our condolences to: Karen & Arthur Maranian, Jr., and Family on the death of her brother, Kenneth Avedisian of Florida, on July 16, and to Florence Pepi on the death of her husband, John Pepi, on August 20. Our condolences, also, to Crosby and Florence Goshgarian, Jr., and Family on the death of his father, Crosby Goshgarian, Sr., on September 16. Crosby was a life-long active parishioner of St. James Armenian Church, served as Chairman of the Diocesan Council, and was a Diocesan Delegate for over 40 years. And our condolences to Peter and Chiharu Kaprielian on the death of his father, Krikor Kaprielian, in the UK, on December 7.

Congratulations to: John & Karen Hovsepian who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary; Edward & Zella Marootian who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July; and Deacon Gregory & Carol Krikorian who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in November.

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**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES**

AVA SAMARA GALLAGHER, daughter of Michael and Samara Gallagher of Hampton, NH, graduated from Heronfield Academy in Hampton Falls, and is currently attending the Governor’s Academy in Byfield, MA. Ava was a soprano soloist in Heronfield’s Jazz Choir, a member of the Jazz Band, and served as School Ambassador. In April, the Jazz Choir earned a Gold Medal at the Massachusetts Association for Jazz Education High School State Finals as the only middle school performing. In May, at the Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors Association Festival, Ava was awarded a Gold Medal for her vocal solo performance as a middle school student.

Outside of school, Ava plays for Hampton Lacrosse, Lighthouse Lacrosse, Hampton Attack Soccer, and has studied voice and piano at Seacoast Academy of Music in North Hampton. Ava performed in The New Hampshire Music Teachers Association Seacoast Honors Recital for three years. Ava has enjoyed attending St. Vartan Camp each summer and participated in the 2014 ACYOA Juniors Sports Weekend.

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**1000 CLUB SAYS . . .**

*Purpose is the reason you journey. Passion is the fire that lights the way.*

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR JULY**

$1,000 - Zevart M. Hollissian; $300 - Gregory Terrasi; $200 - Andree Pennachio; $100 - Ruth Boghosian; $50 Winners: Marilyn Papazian, Edward Kazanjian, Janice Zorian Bacon, Brent Fleming, Lt. Col. & Mrs. Robert Lang, Grace Kaprelian, Armen & Susan Skenderian, David Dorian

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR AUGUST**

$1,000 - Murat Corluyan; $300 - Ralph Stewart $200 - Joseph Mardirosian; $100 - Vicky Dustin; $50 Winners: Donna Kirkland, Aram Hintlian, Armine D. Hagopian, Joel Mazmanian, Robert Semonian, Kenneth Hintlian, Robert & Kim Chebator, Armen & Susan Skenderian

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

$1,000 - Gregory Torosian; $300 - Ronald V. Haroutunian; $200 - Arsen Tashjian; $100 - Anne Aroyan; $50 Winners: Albert J. Arsenian, Michael Samueelian & Sean Murray, Audrey & Abraham Tanashian, Michael G. Yapchaian, Ani Hollissian, Janice Zorian Bacon, Robert Semonian, Nancy Gulisesian

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR OCTOBER**

$1,000 - Mary & Nishan Goudsouzian; $300 - Rose Stewart; $200 - Lana Jurigan; $100 - Richard & Diane Fornauf; $50 Winners: Edward Marootian, M/M Joseph Sarkissian, Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.; Simon Arpiarian, Charlene Diranian, Michele Kolligian, Shelley Macdonald, Gladys Medzorian

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR NOVEMBER**

$1,000 - Guy Morello; $300 - Ara Keyfer; $200 - Eleanor Hughes; $100 - Armen & Susan Skenderian; $50 Winners: Edward F. Arpiarian, Donna Kirkland, Grace Kaprelian, Michael Diranian, Alan & Rita Kaprelian, Nellie R. Bogosian, Charles Gazarian, Charles Gazarian

**1000 CLUB WINNERS FOR DECEMBER**

$1,000 - Greg Krikorian, Acton; $300 - Mark Torosian; $200 - Michael G. Yapchaian; $100 - Jeff Hintlian; $50 Winners: Dr. A. Donald & Betty Shushan, Edward Aroyan, Tricia Minassian, Dr. Parmag & Nancy Kasarian; Edmond J. Danielson, Michael G. Yapchaian, Elizabeth Babaian, Arpi Hovagimian, John & Karen Hovsepian, in the UK, on December 7.

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Donations to Our Church

- $75,000 from the James Kalustian Family Fund at Fidelity Charitable to be "utilized for the design and construction of the Martin and Mimi Kalustian Learning Lab in the Adamian Hall Complex area."
- $12,000 from the Friends of Holy Trinity 1000 Club
- $10,000 from the family of Deran and Ann Hintlian towards the renovation of our church kitchen
- $5,000 from the Trinity Men’s Union
- $3,556.25 from George W. Haroutunian
- $3,000 from Nancy, Michele & Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr., and Lisa Kolligian Dorian for donating a 12000 BTU window unit air conditioner for use in the Parish House
- $2,500 Anonymous donation for a beautiful gold and silver chalice from the Armenian Patriarchate that was brought back from our parish’s July pilgrimage to Jerusalem
- $1,000 from Bob & Marilyn Takvorian for donating four office chairs
- $1,000 from John & Karen Hovsepian for donating a black Baby Grand Steinway piano, Model M
- $500 from Nancy and Michele Kolligian for the Banquet flowers and wine in his honor
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- $5,000 from Rose Chacran Zartarian to be added to the Major Robert Z. Zartarian Scholarship Fund
- $4,034.02 from the Peter & Clare Kalustian Memorial Fidelity Charitable Fund, in memory of Setrak & Zaroorhy Kalustian, to be added to the Peter Kalustian Trust Fund
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- The following gifts were received in recognition of Dn. Gregory Krikorian’s 50 years serving as a deacon on the altar of our church:
  $50 (Choir) - Lt. Col. Robert & Susan Lang and Harry
  $50 - Emmanuual Baghdayan & Annette DerMinassian; Sam & Bea Kapreilian, FL
  $50 - Karen Dederyan; $25 - Arthur Avakian
- The following gifts were received in honor of Parishioner of the Year, James M Kalustian:
  $500 from Nancy and Michele Kolligian for the Banquet flowers and wine in his honor
  $500 - William and Karen Martin
  $352 - Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr., to cover airfare for Guest Celebrant, Fr. Martiros Hakobyan
  $100 - Anthony & Nancy Barsamian; Ed & Ann Danielson; Roxie M. Hedison; $50 - Karen Dederyan; $25 - John & Ida Kolligian
- $50 from Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian in honor of Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian

United Nations Refugee Fund

A check in the amount of $767 was sent to the Diocese to benefit the United Nations Refugee Fund, as part of a special collection held on November 1.
IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

Sincere sympathy is extended by the Pastor and Parish Council to the families of those parishioners who have departed from this life.

Grateful acknowledgment is expressed to the families of the departed souls for making it possible for friends and relatives to contribute in lieu of flowers, partially or totally, towards our church.

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of ZABELLE ZAHIGIAN for our church:
Diran Zahigian & Family - Diran, Judy, Rachel, Renee, & Robert; Albert Oskoian; Charles Nahabedian; Adrienne Najarian Rabkin; Rob Nahabedian & Family; VT; Christine, Nicholas & Alyssa Sahagian; Razmik & Maral Banoosian; Shakeh Benson; Charles Gazarian; Roxie M. Hedison; Elizabeth Kassabian & Family; RI; Roseanne & Fred Kolack; Armine Sarges; Armen & Susan Skenderian; Mrs. Charles Talanian; M.L. Hedison-Flynn & Anthony Flynn; Rose & Nish Tzikjian and Helen Recko; Ed & Ann Danielson; Linda & Zaven Giragosian; John & Ardemis Jerikian, VA; Albert & Anita Lurantos Kalustian; James M. Kalustian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Marian Koumjian; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Jack & Mary Mardoian, IL; Michael & Elaine Markarian; William & Karen Martin; Catherine Mosgoofian; M/H Harutiun Palandjian; Mel & Arlene Terrasi; Robert & Nancy Young; Albert Zourjanian; Helen Krikorian, VA; Robyn & Ed Miller; Seta Lepore; Peter & Isabel Talanian; Virginia Hazian, RI; Robert P. Proodian; Derouhi M. Soukiasian; Albert & Linda Abkarian; Cynthia Apkarian, MI; Arthur J. Avakian; Seta A. Bucther; Mary & Michael Der Boghosian; Lisa Kolligian & Dan Dorian; Dickran & Marilyn Haroian; John & Debra Haroian; George W. Haroutunian & K. Shirley Spencer; Elsie Jamgochian; Joyce Janjigian; Grace Kaprelian; John and Adrienne Kefeyan; Michele Kolligian; Nancy R. Kolligian; Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.; George Krikorian; John & Teresa Marsoobian; Mildred Nahabedian; Walter & Deanne Nahabedian; Jack & Audrey Pilibosian; Eugene & Queenie Raphaelian; Edward Sahagian; Irene Sarkisian; Charles & Judy Shagoury; Jack & Carol Spath, NY; Julia Stephanian; George Tezarvian, Jr.; Barbara & Donald Tellalian; George Thomanian; Himayak & Lucy Torosian; Gary & Joyce Townsend and Family; Walter Vartanian; Robert & Marilyn Takvorian
Total: $6,130.00

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of RICHARD ONANIAN for our church:
Tana G. Onanian, Michael, Janice, & Sarah McMahon, and Paul, Rachel, Haig, Vahan, & Nairi Nadjian; Marion Benson; Seta A. Bucther & Dr. Christina G. Bucther; Mari Essayan; Leslee Jones; Christy & Cynthia Cashavelly, CT; Donald & Barbara Tellalian; Rose Mary Aznavoorian; Gary & Barbara Cashavelly; Isabelle Der Garabedian & Family; Anne Dorian; Janet Jeghelian; James M. Kalustian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; Helen Krikorian, VA; Cheryl B. Panjian; Armine Sarges; Jennifer Davagian Ensign; John & Karen Hovesepian; John & Brenda Khederian; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Jacob & Audrey Pilibosian
Total: $2,185.00

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of ARGINE D. HAGOPIAN for our church:
Edward D. & Frances A. Hagopian; George D. Hagopian; Bernard & Carol Gardner; Barbara & Lillian Johnson; M/M David Landry; Nevar Talanian; Claire Bardakian, NY; Grace Kaprelian
Total: $2,970.00

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of MARGARET CHERKEZIAN for our church:
Arthur & Nora Balian; Isabelle Der Garabedian; John, Mary & Amanda Small; Cheryl & Joe Scaparrotta and Family; Christina Baltic Antico; Robert A. Balian, CA; Dr. & Mrs. John L. Cherkzian; Mark & Patty Der Garabedian and Family; Michael & Marcella Disco and Family, NH; Nathaniel & Barbara Blair; M/M Robert Kevorkian; Robert & Nancy Young; Mannix Family; Linda Molo; Mary Ann Sullivan
Total: $1,670

Donations in lieu of flowers at the funeral of GEORGE D. HAGOPIAN for our church:
M/M Edward D. Hagopian and Family; Bernard & Carol Gardner and Family; Lill and Barb Johnson; Sahag & Heather Johnson; Robert P. Proodian; Ronald & Esther Adamian; Shakeh Benson; Michael & Karen Buck; Salvatore & Jeanne Capizzi; Edmond & Ann Danielson; Helene Dorian; Jack & Susan Giragosian and Family; George W. Haroutunian & K. Shirley Spencer; Roxie M. Hedison; George & Alice Hoogasian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarjian; John Kefeyan & Adrienne Kefeyan; Gregory A. Kolligian, Jr.; Lisa Kolligian & Dan Dorian; Michele Kolligian; Nancy Kolligian; Vahan A. Mahdasian; Bill & Karen Martin; Gerard & Rosemarie Odabashian; Armen & Susan Skenderian; Mrs. Charles Talanian; Grace Kaprelian & Donna Kirkland; Zella & Ed Marootian; AAA Northeast; Albert & Linda Abkarian; Van & Mary Aroian; Arthur & Nora Balian; Elaine Bardakian, NY; Seta A. Bucther & Dr. Christina G. Bucther; Joyce & John Kavagan; Karen & Nicholas Degilo, NY; Barbara Dorian; Pierre & Gail Gabriel; Zaven & Linda Giragosian; Charles & Iris Gleason; Greg Hagogian; Dorothy & Joanna Hapramanian; Aram & Becky Hintlian; Nancy E. Hintlian; Joyce Jones & John Messina; Albert & Anita Kalustian; James M Kalustian; Michael Kolligian III, FL; Marian H. Koumjian; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; John & Mary Krikorian; David & MaryAnn Sourourian LaCarubba; Arthur J. Lourd; Kaloust & Sossy Mahdasian Family; Catherine Mosgoofian; Richard & Gail O’Reilly; Albert Oskoian; Arthur & Louise Panosian; Angela & Nancy Sallese; Peter, Isabel & Joyce Talanian; Sona Tashjian; Arlene & Mel Terrasi; Valerie Kolligian Thayer; Walter Vartanian; Robert & Nancy Young; Albert Zourjanian; Harry & Azniv Grace Amiralian; Helen Krikorian, VA; Diran Zahigian; Lois Kolgian; Lucy Aroian; Marge Atamian; Arthur Avakian; Rose Mary Aznavoorian; Grace A. Boyajian; Dom & Rosemary Calautti; Isabelle Der Garabedian; Charles Dermenjian; Joan Fiatto; Jeanne Jamgochian; Robert Kevorkian; John & Ida Kolligian; Mary Kupjian; Michael & Elaine Markarian; Mary Minasian; Catherine Minassian; Carlene & Bruce Newell; Carolyn Rogers; Richard & Barbara Surabian; Robert & Marilyn Takvorian; Kenneth & Diane Talanian; Richard & Ann Tarvezian; Barbara & Don Tellalian; George Thomassian; Rose & Nish Tzikjian; Carmela Yachetta; John Baronian; Bertha Dermirjian and Family; Bob Goshgarian; David Cordeiro
Total: $8,785.00

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In lieu of flowers in memory of:
• GERALD AJEMIAN: Council of Armenian Executives; Dn. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; James M. Kalustian; William & Karen Martin; Helen Krikorian, VA
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**AUDREY VIEIRA:** M/M Michael Markarian

Additional in lieu of flowers in memory of:

• **ELIZABETH SOULTANIAN:** Marilyn Malkesian; Henry A. Malkian, Jr.

In memory of:

• **HAIG BEDIGIAN:** Gregory Bedigian $1,000.00  
• **DR. SIRAPPIE DER NERSSESSIAN:** Joanne A. Peterson $100.00  
• **ALBERT TALANIAN:** Nancy Talanian $50.00

**FUNERALS**

Alfred S. Gardner/Bardezbanian of Swampscott, MA, on July 28

Haig Bedigian of Watertown, MA, on August 31

Richard Ara Onanian of New York, New York, on September 4

Armine Der Hagopian of Woburn, MA, on September 14

Dolores Ruthie Barasatian of Media, PA, on September 24

Edward Aram Shahzadeh of East Falmouth, MA, on October 8

Gerald Ajemian of Dover and Hanworthov, MA, on November 2

Margaret “Peggy” Cherkezian of W. Roxbury, MA, on November 19

George Tashjian of Watertown, MA, on November 24

Winifred R. (Aaronian) Goebel of Cambridge, MA, on December 4

Audrey E. Vieira of Tewksbury, MA, on December 5

George D. Hagopian of Waltham, MA, on December 10

Jesse F. Rudofsky of Dracut, MA, on January 7

Paul Barsamian of Reading, MA, on January 9

**CHRISTMAS YOUTHAKIN OFFERING**

$1,000 - Varna Telemezian; $500 - John & Deborah Giragosian; $300 - Michele Kolligian  
$200 - Charles Gazarian; Catherine Mosgovian; Richard & Lillian Najarian  
$100 - Marion Benson; Isabelle Der Garabedian & Family in memory of Richard Der Garabedian; Jane Jamgotchian; Johnson Family; James M. Kalustian; Dr. Parnag & Nancy Kasarian; Cynthia & Dick Kazanjian; John and Adrienne Kefleyan; M/M Malcolm Keljikian; Marian Koumjian; Vahan Mahdadian; Bill & Karen Martin; Armen & Susan Skenderian; Albert Zourounian  
$50 - John & Karen Aharonian; Stephen C. Alexander & Jean Alexander; John & Sirvat Rose Annaia; Leon & Margaret Atarian; Sylvia Carter; Howard M. Critchett; Mary M. Daniels in memory of Arsen S. Daniels; Ed & Ann Danielson; Gladys & Anna Medzorian; From the Trust Fund established by Charles G. Sahagian in memory of Sarkis & Araxie Sahagian, Virginia Sahagian, Sukeaus & John Sahagian and Charles G. Sahagian; Berge Tatan; Mel & Arlene Terras; Rose & Nish Tijkanj; Christina R. Walters; Rose Chacran Zartarian  
$40 - Anastasia Family; Alice Hachigian; $30 - Edward & Zella Marootian  
$25 - Anne Aroyan; Rose T. Arpiarian; Arthur Avakian; Jeanette Ayvazian; Seta A. Buchter and Dr. Christina G. Buchter; Bertha Demirjian & Susan Demirjian; Susan Derderian; Berj Donabedian; Krikor Ermonian; Dorothy Hambanian; Aram & Becky Hiltian; Jeff Hiltian; Nancy R. Kolligian; Fr. Vasken & Yn. Arpi Kouzouian; Dr. Gregory & Carol Krikorian; Lt. Col. & Mrs. Robert Lang; Samuel Malkesian; Lucy Mardirosian; Diane Matevosian & Rose Tufankjian in memory of Zartar; Aznive & Hovagim Matevosian; Catherine Minassian; Jeanne Nahabedian in memory of Levon & Arevic Mooradian; M/M Ludwig J. Stepanian; George Thomasian; Marion & Patricia Tutunjian; $20 - Else Hanson; Kaloust & Sossy Mahdadian  
$15 - Gayle M. Yapchaian; $10 - Ashod D. Hagopian; Michael G. Yapchaian

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**WEDDINGS**

Haik Tokatlyan of Watertown, MA, and Ani Hakobyan of Watertown, MA, on August 1. Bestman, Zohrab Tokatlyan


David Sarkisyan of West Roxbury, MA, and Milana Sarkisova of West Roxbury, MA, on September 12. Bestman, Samvel Martirosyan

Brian James Hunt of Reading, MA, and Janine Tashjian Der Ananian of Reading, MA, on September 18. Bestman, David Hunt

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**BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS**

Calliana Winslow Glenn, daughter of Richard and Lisa Zeytoonjian Glenn of Lexington, MA, on July 25. Godfather, Michael DeSimone, and Godmother, Jennifer DeSimone


Christian Michael Turgeon, son of Steven and Mary Jo (Oliveira) Turgeon of Springfield, MA, on July 26. Godfather, Joseph Oliveira, and Godmother, Corina Barberian

Klara Lucille Davtian, daughter of Arthur and Anna Lynn (Cinar) Davtian of Watertown, MA, on August 9. Godfather, Mark Cinar, and Godmother, Jessica Campbell

Tatiana Emma Manoukian, daughter of Vatche and Hamest (Arutunian) Manoukian of Whittier, CA, on August 9. Godfather, Adamsor Akian, and Godmother, Nora Manoukian

Cameron Thomas Flynn, son of Christopher and Carey (Kaprelian) Flynn of North Reading, MA, on August 15. Godfather, Craig Kaprelian, and Godmother, Laura Fistori

Emily Lynne Melkonian, daughter of William John and Deborah (Jones) Melkonian of Winchester, MA, on August 22. Godfather, David A. Jones, and Godmother, Brenda Melkonian Vaughan

Kartina Ani Bacon, daughter of William and Danielle (Faro) Bacon of Malden, MA, on September 12. Godfather, Alexander Bacon, and Godmother, Arianna Faro

Nicholas Cullen Coletta, son of Joseph and Debrah (Orloff) Coletta, of Canton, MA, on September 30. Godfather, Gregory Goshgarian

Rose Margaret Berberian, daughter of Gregory and Rachel (Eames) Berberian of Hingham, MA, on October 3. Godfather, Gerald Berberian, Jr., and Godmother, Jessica Eames

Alexandra Avanesyan, daughter of Anahit Avanesyan of Norwood, MA, on October 3. Godfather, David Sarkisyan, and Godmother, Milana Sarkisova

Gevork George Kparpetyan and Davit Karapetyan, sons of Tigran and Alisa Avagyan Karapetyan of Watertown, MA, on November 15. Godfather, Sargs Karapetyan, and Godmother, Nune Hakobyan

Henry Hovanesian, son of Kevin Hovanesian and Tiana Gasparini of Belmont, MA, on November 29. Godfather, Ronald Gilberto, and Godmother, Kathleen Gilberto

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**HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.**
Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY
7 - Poon Paregentan
14 - Blessing of the Babies’ Service
28 - Annual Parish Assembly

MARCH
20 - ACYOA Palm Sunday Banquet

Holy Week Services
27 - EASTER

APRIL
17 - Erevan Choral Society Spring Concert
24 - Feast of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide

MAY
12 - The Dr. Michael & Joyce Kolligian Distinguished Speaker Series Presents John Prendergast, founder of “The Enough Project,” an initiative to end genocide and crimes against humanity; 7pm

26-30 - ACYOA Seniors Annual General Assembly & Sports Weekend, hosted by the Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors

JUNE
20 - Gregory Hintlian Memorial Golf Tournament, Marlborough Country Club

Hosted by our Holy Trinity ACYOA Seniors
May 26-30