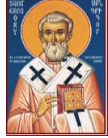


St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church

Sunday February 25, 2018

Today's Visiting Priest:

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Sunday of the Prodigal Son

***** ANNOUNCEMENTS *****

- ❖ **Annette Ajamian** has requested a karasoonk service for her mother, **Adrina**, and invites you to share in a luncheon after the service.
- ❖ Condolences are extended to the **Kradjian family** on the death of their dearly beloved husband, father, and cousin, **Ara**.



- ❖ **Theodore (Theo) Jacob** was born January 14th to **Eileen and Steve Jacob**. Proud grandparents are **Michael and Linda Ketchoyian**. Congratulations!

- ❖ In keeping up with former members of our parish, **Hovhannes Toroyan** was contacted. His response: "It is truly a great pleasure to share my life with you, as Binghamton actually, has a very unique value to me. The Church and people from the community have always been super supportive and I appreciate and miss that so much. Upon returning to Yerevan in May, 2010 (after completing my MBA at BU) I defended my PhD thesis in Simulation of Economy and began working for Ameriabank as head of the strategy unit. I now am head of strategy, research and business advisory at AmeriaGroup, the largest financial institution in Armenia. I also teach at the university, and was nominated and selected to become the founder of the Global Shapers Community, an initiative of World Economic Forum to engage youth into "improving the state of the world". However, if we speak about my achievements for this period, it is absolutely clear that my biggest achievements are my marriage to **Ani**, and my wonderful daughter, **Arpi**, who turned 1 last Dec 21."



- ❖ Upcoming Event - **Sunday, March 11th - Women's Guild Mid-Lenten Dinner**. Be sure to join in the fellowship and delicious meal. Why not become a member of Women's Guild too?



❖ **For our young children** - During Badarak sermons we would like to have a bible related story read to our little ones and maybe performed with figurines. This could be done by the parents - both moms and dads, or anyone wishing to be involved, and would take place in the Sunday School room. A calendar will be made available in the school room for sign-ups. Resources are available and Yn Siraripi will be sending website links to help with your planning.

This can only happen with your participation and could be a lot of fun. Anyone willing to oversee the calendar?? Today, Mary Ann Jamgochian will be reading story, "Jon and the Little Lost Lamb," relating to the Parable of the Good Shepherd.

❖ Found on Facebook:

It's Strange

- It's strange how twenty dollars seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but such a small amount when you go shopping.
- It's strange how 2 hours seem so long when you're in church, and how short they seem when you're watching a good movie.
- It's strange that you can't find words to say when you're praying, but you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend.
- It's strange how difficult it is to read one chapter of the Bible, but how easy it is to read a popular novel.
- It's strange how everyone wants front row tickets to concerts, but they want to sit in the last row at church.
- It's strange how we need to know about an event at Church 2-3 weeks before the day so we can include it in our agenda, but we can adjust it for other events in the last minute.
- It's strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about God and share it with others, but it's easy to repeat gossip.
- It's strange how we believe everything that magazines and newspapers say, but we question the words in the Bible.

Future Badarak Schedule

March 11: Rev Fr Arshen Aivazian
Women's Guild Mid-Lenten Dinner

March 25: Very Rev Fr Daniel Findikyan
Coffee Hour: Arsen, Lilit, Albert and Artur
Stepanyan (Yes, from Yerevan, Armenia - they sent money to sponsor a coffee hour!)

April 1: Very Rev Fr Daniel Findikyan
Traditional Armenian Easter Brunch
of Choreg, Olives, Cheese hosted by
Women's Guild

April 22: Very Rev Fr Daniel Findikyan
Coffee Hour: Findikyan Family

- ❖ Pastoral visits can be made any weekend a Badarak is scheduled. If you would like to schedule one, contact Mary Ann Jamgochian.
- ❖ Any announcements or corrections?
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