St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church

Sunday June 10, 2018 Today's Visiting Priest: Rev Fr Arshen Aivazian



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Third Sunday After Pentecost

- ❖ Joseph Azadian has requested hokehonkisd for his lovely wife, Ellen and sister, Keghouhi (Kay) (Tateosian) Martin. In their memory, Joseph is hosting today's luncheon.
- Please welcome Gnel & Arpi Gabrielyans from Ithaca as they have Fr Arshen bless their newborn daughter, Lucy.
- Yesterday, Charlotte Grace, daughter of Christopher & Elizabeth Kradjian, granddaughter of Diran & Socie Kradjian, was christened at our church by Rev Fr Arshen Aivazian. Godparents are Alec Stanley and Melanie Turabian. Congratulations to all, especially Charlotte!
- Please keep Virginia Rusch in your prayers as she is being treated from being bitten by a bat. She is doing fine, just said "I've gotten a lot of shots!"
- ❖ At the 32nd Annual Women's Guild Assembly it was decided to implement a "Children of Armenian Sponsorship Program (CASP) Children's Day" to coincide with International Children's Day. This will be commemorated by doing a special plate collection this Sunday with the funds going towards the Kindergarten Meal Program which is part of the CASP Program.
- ❖ Do you have a 2018 Graduate in your family? If so, please let Mary Ann Jamgochian know their name, graduating from, and future plans, plus any distinguishing honors.



For our young children - During Badarak sermons we are having a bible related story read to our little ones and an activity. We would like all parents - both moms and dads, or anyone wishing to be involved, to take a turn at reading a story. This can only happen with your participation and is a lot of fun. Let Tamar Aynajian know if you would like to join in.

Today, in honor of International Children's Day, Fr Arshen will be giving a special sermon geared towards our children of St. Gregory's.

All of us are so grateful for the beautiful church we are so lucky to have. But, signs of aging are again requiring work to be done ~ and, being the home parish of our new Primate ~ we want to make sure our church stays beautiful and safe! Therefore, our church ceiling needs to be replaced. Tokos Construction has begun the work so you can see how great it will look! We are hoping, through your generous donations, to receive \$17,000 to cover 50% of the cost. If you wish to contribute to "The Ceiling Project," please include a note or put "ceiling project" on the memo line of your check.

To Date: Ceiling Project Donors \$4,930

Anonymous, Pegor & Tamar Aynajian, Louise Cline, Beatrice Injajigian Memorial Fund, Lawrence & Mary Ann Jamgochian, Aristaks & Adrienne Kachadourian, Gerald & Anne Kalayjian, Lucas Sarkisian Memorial Fund

- Membership Dues of \$95 for 2018 now being accepted. Deadline is 12/31/2018
- ❖ People have asked here are some answers:
 - ~ Fr. Daniel is the Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church, not acting
 - ~ No date has yet been set for Fr. Daniel's ordination as bishop, we are still waiting to hear from the Catholicos. This will take place at Holy Etchmiadzin.
 - ~ A diocesan primate is normally a bishop, but any Hayr Soorp can be elected primate. He then will be elevated as bishop as soon as practical.
 - ~ A primate needs to be able to ordain priests and consecrate new churches, which only bishops can do.
 - ~ Fr. Daniel will be ordained as a bishop. After a couple of years, he will be given the honorary title of "Archbishop" as decided by the Catholicos.
 - ~ SIMA Tours in New Jersey is set to offer a pilgrimage to Armenia once we hear the date!
 - ~ Celebrations at St. Vartan's in NYC and here at St. Gregory's will be scheduled after Fr. Daniel's ordination.
 - ~ Keep watching St. Gregory postcards, emails, facebook posts, website, and bulletins for more info.

<u>Future Badarak Schedule</u> - (Note: June 17th cancelled due to construction)

July 8: Rev Fr Arshen Aivazian

Coffee Hour: Host needed

August 12: Rev Fr Arshen Aivazian Blessing of the Grapes

Coffee Hour: Host needed

July 22: Very Rev Fr Simeon Odabashian Coffee Hour: Larry Jamgochian

In honor of his wife's birthday on the 23rd

August 26: To be announced Coffee Hour: Host needed

- 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? Contact Mary Ann Jamgochian - jamgochianma@gmail.com or 607-644-6575