

# News from our parish



Քրիստոս յարեալ ի Մեռելոց  
Օրհնեալ է Յարութիւնն Քրիստոսի

*Kristos haryav ee merelotz  
Orhnyal eh Harootiunun Kristosee*

*Christ is risen from the Dead  
Blessed is the Resurrection of Christ!*



Շնորհաւոր Սուրբ Զատիկ  
Թո՛ղ Քրիստոսի Հրաշափառ  
Յարութեան Շնորհները Ձեզ հետ,  
Ձեր վրայ լինեն

Celebrate the  
resurrection of  
our Lord!

*Happy*  
EASTER



## Parish Council

During the month of March, the Parish Council had our regular monthly meeting and participated in Lenten and Holy Week activities. Many thanks to Isabel Chilpighian and the Ladies Society for the outstanding Palm Sunday Brunch. The event was sold out and has become a much anticipated annual event of our Parish.

St. Paul Armenian Church will participate in the Armenian Genocide Commemoration on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Armenian Genocide Monument located on the campus of Fresno State. Additional details are in this month's Dajar.

Also in April our Church Dinner Committee will be hosting the monthly drive-thru dinner on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a great way to have a delicious meal and support the Parish. Order your meal now before they sell out!

Planning is underway for the Annual Diocesan Assembly to be held May 4 at St. Geragos Armenian Apostolic Church in Las Vegas. The Parish Council and Diocesan Assembly delegates will be meeting in April to discuss the issues that will be voted on at the Assembly.

With May quickly approaching, The Festival Committee is busy with the Annual Armenian Festival that will take place at St. Paul on Friday, May 11. Please help spread the word, as this is going to be a great event!



**HEALING PRAYER**  
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Mark Antranikian, Sahag  
Egoian, Varsenig Jiggerian,

Pauline Basmagian  
Karnig Torosian



## *Men's Forum*

Twenty-two members and guests attended the March 21 Men's Forum dinner-meeting held at the Church Minor Hall. All those present enjoyed a terrific Lenten salmon steak entre prepared by the "semi-retired" cooking committee, headed by Bob Der Matoian. Bob was ably assisted by members Russell Adams, Jerry Mootafian, and Jerry Baker. Guest speaker for the evening was Men's Forum Vice-Chairman, Wayne Hotzakorgian D.D.S., a long-time practicing endodontist in Fresno. Dr. Hotzakorgian is a graduate of Fresno State, U.C.S.F Dental School, and U.C. Berkeley Graduate School. When he is not practicing endodontics, Dr. Hotzakorgian is teaching at U.C.S.F. He has also allowed himself time to run in twenty-three Boston Marathons. (It should also be mentioned that both, he and Chairman, Gary Markarian were St. Paul Sunday School classmates dating back to the 1950's when the church was located on the corner of Merced and 'N' Street and earlier on Fulton St.). Dr. Hotzakorgian gave an informative power-point presentation dealing with treatment of dental pulp disease and other dental health issues.

Many thanks to member, Harutune Neffian, who coordinated the evening's presentation with Dr. Hotzakorgian and his office.

It was announced that the next group function is scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, April 18, in the Haig Berberian Hall and is being planned as a joint activity with the Ladies Society. Details are still in the works but an announcement flyer will be forthcoming.

Get well thoughts, prayers and good wishes to long-time members Karnig Torosian and Franklin Antoyan, for renewed health. Their presence at the Men's Forum gatherings is greatly missed.

Men's Form Fellowship - Left to right:  
Gary Markarian, Darlene Chardukian, Bob Der Matoian,  
and Russell Adams



## *Ladies Society*

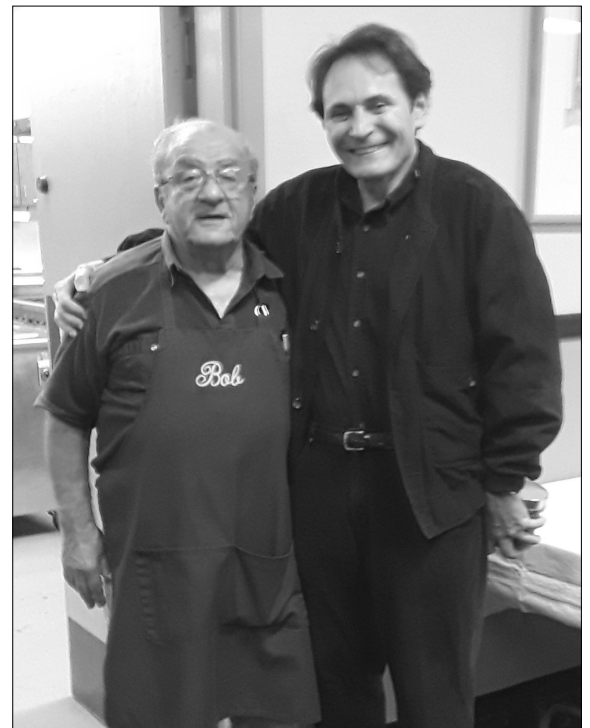
Mark your calendars for the next Ladies Society dinner will be a joint dinner with Men's Forum and all parishioners are welcome! The date is Wednesday, April 18, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Plan to attend and join in on a delicious hot dog bar picnic and program featuring Craig Scharton of the Fulton Mall Revitalization Group. He will speak about the opening of the Fulton Mall and the impact it will have on downtown Fresno. Cost is \$20. Make your reservations for dinner by Friday, April 13 to Annette Moushigian by calling 559-906-2114 or sending an email to moushigian@comcast.net

Wow, what a beautiful day at the Annual Palm Sunday, Champagne Brunch! The Ladies Society outdid themselves this year with a record breaking sellout crowd, delicious food and elegant atmosphere. This is always a great way to spend Palm Sunday afternoon! Thank you to Isabel Chilpighian, her committee members and the many support committee members who came, set up tables, decorated, and assisted in the food preparation with willing hearts and helping hands. Much appreciation to all of you!

Following are up-coming events:

- April 12, 2018 - Women of First Street Luncheon and Prayer at Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church 11:00 a.m.
- April 18, 2018 - Joint Ladies and Mens Dinner at St. Paul
- April 19, 2018 - Kufta-making (see Isabel Chilpighian for details)
- May 9, 2018 - Dinner and General Meeting

During Men's Forum dinner, Bob Der Matoian and Dr. Wayne Hotzakorgian D.D.S





## Senior ACYO

During March 2-4, several ACYO members attended "Reclaim 2018: Exploring and Celebrating the Creative Spirit," in Burbank, California, at St. Leon Armenian Cathedral. It was three days filled with various motivational speakers, Bible studies, nature hikes, meditation, prayer services, informational booths and more. The members really had a fun weekend!

For international Women's Day, the Seniors passed out pink carnations to all girls and women on Sunday, March 11. The women and girls were very excited to be receiving a carnation and thanked them for celebrating this special day. On Sundays, March 18, March 25 and April 1, the Seniors sold Easter baskets and vase arrangements to parishioners. Thank you to those who purchased baskets and always support the youth.

The Senior ACYO, along with Junior ACYO, volunteered their time and cleaned the interior of the church sanctuary, trophy cabinet (located across the bookstore), classroom windows, and organized the books row by row inside the church on Saturday, March 24.

The ACYO Central Council will hold its Regional Meeting this year in Fowler at St. Gregory the Illuminator Church. The Senior and Junior members are planning to attend the meeting on April 15 at 3 p.m. Along with the Fresno Armenian Community, they will be attending the Central Valley Armenian Genocide Commemorative events on April 24.

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of Senior ACYO please send an e-mail to [fresnoacyo@gmail.com](mailto:fresnoacyo@gmail.com) or contact chairwoman, Vartush Mesropyan at 559-916-0074.



## Junior ACYO

In the month of March, a few of the ACYO Jr. members attended Reclaim 2018 in Burbank, California. This event consisted of lectures given by motivational speakers and Bible studies. The attendees refreshed their spirits through meditation and the various prayer services.

The ACYO Jrs. also held a general meeting on Sunday, March 11, after fellowship where upcoming events were discussed. On March 24, the Juniors collaborated with the Senior members to clean the church grounds in preparation for Palm Sunday and Easter. The Juniors baked simit on Monday, March 26, and sold it on Easter Sunday. Thank you to everyone who supported them. The wonderful Easter bunny made his appearance at the Junior's photo booth and brought smiles to all the parishioners faces.

On April 24, the Juniors will be attending Armenian Genocide Commemorative events.

If you have any questions or would like to join, please contact Thalia Colarian @acyojuniors@gmail.com or (559) 385-1109.



## St. Paul Armenian Church - Sunday School



The Sunday School students completed their Lenten journey and Holy Week with the joy of Easter on April 1. Many thanks to all students, parents, family members and teachers for a great year so far. The Sunday School is planning some fun activities with an outing on Sunday, April 8, after church and a joint picnic with the Saturday School on Sunday, May 20, (the last day of Sunday School for this year), after church as well. Look for the forthcoming flyers.

Enjoy the pictures in this Dajar from Sunday School classes and Lenten Program activities. A belated Happy Birthday to all the March birthdays that may have been missed!

Following are Sunday School activities for the month of April:

- Sunday, April 1 - **Church Attendance together with Sunday School family** following **Sunday School Assembly/Gathering** (No Sunday School luncheon after church this month)  
⇒ **Fellowship is by all organizations including Sunday School** so please bring a tasty treat (cookies, dessert, fruit, or your choice of edible items)
- Sunday, April 8 - **Regular Assembly, Regular Class Lessons/Brief Church Participation**  
⇒ **Afternoon activity after church** (flyer forthcoming)
- Sunday, April 15 - **Regular Assembly, Regular Class Lessons/Brief Church Participation**
- Sunday, April 22 - **Regular Assembly, Regular Class Lessons**  
⇒ **Church Participation: Armenian Genocide Commemoration Blessing Service in Church**





## St. Paul Armenian Church - Saturday School





**Pastor and Parish Council gratefully acknowledge the following donations.**

**May the Lord bless you.**



**In Memory of Alice Urrutia**

Sahag and Mary Egoian

**In Memory of Mari Chardukian**

Sahag and Mary Egoian

**In Memory of Mary Mortanian**

Linda and Wayne Minier

**In Memory of Charles Chitchjian**

Robert Koligian Jr.  
Wayne Gomes  
Paul and Kathleen Mesple

**In Memory of Sonia Tutelian**

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Russell and Nina Adams  
George and Shenora Adishian  
John and Barbara Adishian  
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Harold and Dianne Antranikian  
Stanley and Irene Antranikian  
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Evert Balakian  
Betty Balakian  
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Suzanne Boroyan  
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Zaven and Berjoughie Devejian  
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Madeline Tolegian  
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Karnig and Mary Torosian  
Hermine Tozlian

**Dajar**

Robert and Jackie Manselian

**General Donation**

Sonia Tutelian Family  
James and Jacqueline Agazarian

**Dzovinar Village project**

Paul and Margaret Hokokian

***St. Paul Parish extends its sincere sympathy***

**March 2**

**Sonia Tutelian** is survived by her sons Clifford Tutelian, John Tutelian, Joseph Tutelian, and Michael Tutelian; daughter Michelle Tutelian; daughter-in-law Roxan Tutelian; grandsons Marcus Missirlian and Christopher Missirlian; stepdaughter Christine Sarkisian; step grandson Sam Sarkisian; step granddaughter Monique Daviau



**March 16**

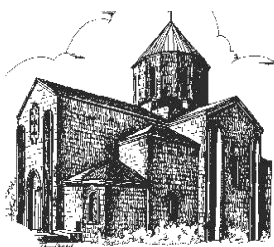
**Mari N. Musa**



**May God rest their souls in peace.**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>APRIL 2018</b>						
<b>1</b> <i>Happy Easter</i>  All Organization Fellowship	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  AVAKS 9:30am to 3:30pm	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  Drive - Thru Dinner 4pm to 6pm	<b>7</b>  Saturday School 10am
<b>8</b>  Men's Forum Fellowship	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Saturday School 10am
<b>15</b> ACYO Central Council Regional Meeting in Fowler 3pm  Sunday School Fellowship	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Ladies Society and Men's Forum Dinner - 7pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Armenian Genocide Flag Raising  Fresno City Hall 10am
<b>22</b>  Junior ACYO Fellowship	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Armenian Genocide Commemoration Fresno State ASO - Noon to 1pm AGCC - 6pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Basketball Team Car Wash Fundraiser 9:30am to 1pm  Saturday School 10am
<b>29</b>  Parish Council Fellowship	<b>30</b>					



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HERE IS IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday  
9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

**SUNDAY LITURGIES**

Morning Services 9:30 A.M.  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 A.M.

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**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH OUR ORGANIZATIONS**

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## *California Armenian Home The Vineyards Grand Opening & Blessing*

was held on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 with the participation of the Armenian clergy and in the presence of members of the Board of Trustees and supporters.

Clergy participants were, from left to right:



Deacon Hagop Iskenyan; Deacon Allan Y. Jendian; Badveli Mgo Mekredijian; Archpriest Fr. Yeghia Hairabedian; Badveli Nerses Balabanian; Hayr Soorp Barouyr Vartabed Shernezian; Hayr Soorp Pakrad Dz. Vartabed Berjekian; Hayr Soorp Dajad Vartabed Ashekian; Archpriest Fr. Vartan Kasparian; Fr. Yessai Bedros; Archpriest Fr. Kevork Arakelian; and Fr. Zaven Markosyan

## **Ladies Society Young Adults Committee**

A special committee of twelve, along with Fr. Yessai, was established in January 2018. The committee was formed to attract young adults into the life of the church. Singles and couples 25-45 yrs. of age, who are baptized and/or wedded in the Apostolic Church, are invited to attend activities for spiritual growth, social mingling and the continuation and preservation of our church family. Following is a quote from **Mother Theresa**: "I am convinced that today's youth are more generous than those of times past and are better prepared, more willing to sacrifice for the service of man".

During committee meetings, Fr. Yessai has emphasized the importance of establishing an outreach program for our young adults. The committee has planned an activity for which you are asked to **"Save the Date"** on Friday, July 20, 2018. A delicious BBQ dinner and motivational speaker will be invited to speak on a subject appealing to young adults. Other forthcoming, interesting programs will be announced throughout the year.

## **3rd Annual Christian Women of First Street Thursday, April 12**

3673 N. First St. Fresno CA, 93726

Cost \$10

The Dorcas Guild of Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church invite the women of the churches on First Street from Ventura to Herndon Ave.

Join us for a time of fellowship and Lunch.

To Pray for our world, country, state, city, our neighborhood, our churches, and our sisters in Christ.

First Street is the heart of Fresno and the best place to start this powerful unity of prayer.

Fellowship begins at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m. in the church's social hall

Gather to pray at 12:45 p.m.

The bells of the churches will ring at 1 p.m.

For more information call Sharon Williams 559-538-5555  
or Church office at 559-229-2915



We are so pleased to see you each time you attend a church service or activity. This connection is an integral part of your life and the life of the church. The whole church family rejoices as the connections multiply. As your participation grows so will your desire to serve, whether through service in the church choir, on the altar, as a Sunday School or Saturday Armenian School teacher, as a volunteer for a church organization or as a parish council member. We look forward to serving with you.

## *St. Paul Ladies Society Hokejash Committee*

In your time of need, be assured that St. Paul Ladies Society is here to prepare a Hokejash meal for you. We offer 3 different entrees that are all inclusive. We handle large and small groups. This is a stressful time and you can be sure the Hokejash meal will be fully taken care of by our committee of volunteers. You can choose from the following items:

Green Salad  
Lamb Shish Kabob  
Rice Pilaf  
Mixed Vegetables  
Dessert – cake  
Coffee and Water  
Peda Bread and butter  
\$20.00/person

Green Salad  
Imperial Chicken  
Rice Pilaf  
Mixed Vegetables  
Dessert – cake  
Coffee and Water  
Peda Bread and butter  
\$16.00/person

Green Salad  
Baked Lulu Kabob  
Bulghur Pilaf  
Mixed Vegetables  
Dessert - cake  
Coffee and Water  
Peda Bread & butter  
\$16.00/person

All meals include tablecloths, cloth napkins and a bud vase with roses and greenery. If you would like any additional items you may bring them in and we will be happy to serve them. To request Hokejash contact Isabel Chilpighian (559) 287-7904.



***Our next visit to the Evangel Home is on***

***Sunday, April 29, 2018.***



If you would like to join us or make a donation please  
feel free to  
contact Tracy Beberian 559-285-4117.

Donations can include clothes for women and children,  
canned goods, toys and fresh  
produce. All donations are  
greatly appreciated by the shelter.

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St. Paul receives 4% of your purchase.



SIGN UP FOR THE SHARES PROGRAM AT  
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At Checkout time punch in your phone number. Ask the  
cashier how to do it...they will help you sign up at the  
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St. Paul Armenian Church



***June 18 to June 22  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.***

Theme is  
"The Sacrament of Holy Orders."

Please join us on  
Monday, June 18, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
for Hotdog Dinner & Kick Off Rally!

7th through 12th graders are invited to come and partici-  
pate by being assistants or leaders.

***Registration Deadline June 15***

For more information contact:  
Tracy Beberian 559-285-4117  
Darlene Chardukian 559-301-8027

**ARMENIAN LINE DANCE LESSONS**

***MONDAYS***

***April 30, May 7, May 14, & May 21***

It's time to learn Armenian Line Dances like the 3 Step  
Bar, Halleh, Teen Teen, Pompooreg, Miserlou,  
Five and One, and many more.

Cosponsored by the Arax Dancers  
and the AGBU Greater Fresno Chapter

Held at Z'Dance Studio  
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
For more information call 559-431-5259



***FUNDRAISER***

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28  
9:30 AM TO 1 PM**

St. Paul Armenian Church Parking Lot  
(First & Dakota)

\$5 donation  
for all Cars / Motorcycles  
\$10 donation  
for all SUV / Pickup Trucks

Come get your car washed!  
Thank you for your support!

**All donations will support the  
St. Paul Armenian Church Basketball Team!**





## WHY COOK? When You Can Drive-Thru



Friday, April 6th

A Delicious Dinner Ready to Take Home and Eat

Prepared by the  
**ST. PAUL ARMENIAN CHURCH  
DINNER COMMITTEE**

3767 N. First St. Fresno, CA 93726  
(SW Corner of First and Dakota)  
Enter through the Dakota Gate


To place an order CALL 559-226-6343 between 9 a.m.—3 p.m.  
TEXT 559-908-1767 or E-MAIL to [dinner@stpaulfresno.com](mailto:dinner@stpaulfresno.com)  
(Include your name, phone number, number of dinners and pick up time)

Pasta Primavera  
Grilled Chicken  
Garlic Bread  
Caesar Salad  
Giant Cookie

\$15.00  
Per Dinner

Order by 3 p.m. on  
Thursday, April 5th

Pickup between  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m. from the  
driveway off of Dakota.





*St. Paul Ladies Society joint dinner with Men's Forum*

*Wednesday, April 18 - 7:00 p.m.*

*St. Paul Armenian Church Hall*

*Join us for a fun, nostalgic evening with friends and reminiscing about the Fulton Mall, and hear about the Future of our downtown featuring **Craig Scharton** of the Fulton Mall Revitalization group. He will speak about the opening of our Fulton Mall and the impact it will have on Downtown. We will Have a delicious Hot Dog Bar Picnic, complete with all the fixings!*

*\$20 per person, make check payable to St. Paul Ladies Society and send your reservations to:*

*Attn: Annette Moushigian*

*Ladies Society Dinner*

*St. Paul Armenian Church*

*3767 N. First St.*

*Fresno, 93726*

*Please make your reservations for dinner by Friday, April 13  
Mail them to the Church Office or Call Annette Moushigian at  
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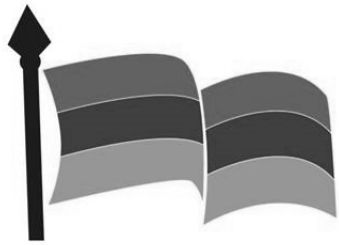
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*Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_*





# APRIL 24, 1915 COMMEMORATION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

## Armenian Genocide Commemoration and Annual Flag Raising

**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

10:00 AM – Noon  
Fresno City Hall – Flag Pole  
2600 Fresno Street, Fresno  
(Corner of Fresno and "P" Streets)

Please join us to commemorate the Armenian Genocide. The Armenian and American flags will be raised in honor of the survivors and to the memory of those who were killed in the Genocide.

Master of Ceremonies, Debbie Poochigian, former Fresno County Supervisor  
Keynote Speaker – Harut Sassounian, Publisher, The California Courier  
Speaker – Lee Brand, Fresno Mayor  
Speaker – Andreas Borgeas, Fresno County Supervisor

Band – The Association Of The United States Army "Sounds Of Freedom" Military Concert Band  
Musical Selections – Saint Paul Church, Saturday Armenian School Students  
Invocation – Very Rev. Fr. Dajad Ashekan, Rev. Fr. Yeghia Hairabedian,  
Rev. Fr. Yessai Bedros, Pastor Greg Haroutunian, Pastor Nerses Balabanian

*"Այսպան չարիքը թէ մոռանան մեր որդիք, թո՛ղ դ ողջ աշխարհի հային կարողայ նախատեսիլը."*  
(Աւետիս Ահարոնեան, Հայ գրող և մանկավարժ, 1866 - 1946)

*"If evil of this magnitude can be ignored, if our children forget, then we deserve oblivion and earn the world's scorn."* (Avedis Aharonian, Armenian writer and educator, 1866 - 1946)



Armenian National Committee of America Central California  
Ամերիկայի Հայ Դատի Թանձնախումբ (ANCA)



## 2018 Armenian Genocide Commemoration Central California Events

### Flag Raising - Fresno City Hall (2600 Fresno Street)

SATURDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> - 10:00 a.m.

Speakers – Harut Sassounian, Mayor Lee Brand, Supervisor Andreas Borgeas

### Fresno State - Armenian Students Organization

TUESDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> - 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Armenian Genocide Monument, Fresno State

### Armenian Genocide Commemorative Committee of Fresno

TUESDAY, APRIL 24<sup>th</sup>

Laying of flowers - 6 p.m. / Presentation of Flags - 6:45 p.m.

Religious Service - 7 p.m. / Civic Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Keynote Speaker - Dr. Khatchig Mouradian, PhD. Columbia University, New York

Remarks - Dr. Joseph Castro, Fresno State President

Soloist—Misak Israelyan

The mission of the Armenian Genocide Commemorative Committee—Fresno is to honor the memory of the 1.5 million Armenians who perished at the hands of the Ottoman government beginning on April 24, 1915. The Committee is responsible for organizing commemorative programs and educating the community about the Armenian Genocide to prevent future genocides.



Armenian Genocide Commemorative Committee  
Fresno

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**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Celebration**

100<sup>th</sup> Տարեդարձի Տոնակատարություն

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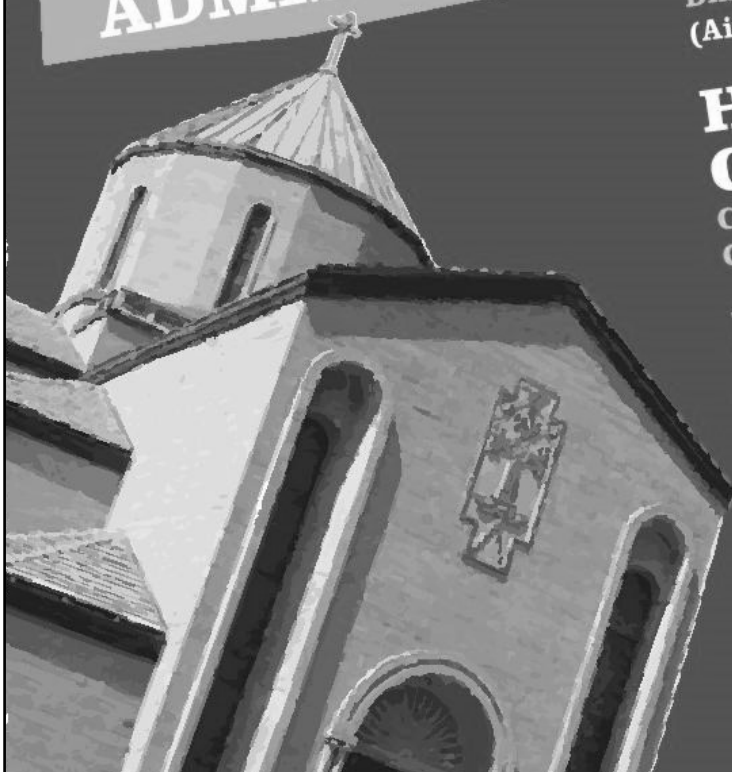
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