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News from our parish

Parísh Councíl

Although it is summertime, school is out and many of you are taking vacations, there are still many parish activities planned over the next few months.

The Church Dinner Committee had another successfully Drive-Thru & Delivery Lunch on Friday, July 6. There will be no Drive-Thru or Delivery Lunch in the month of August but it will resume in the month September. On the first Friday of each month, the dinner committee will cook a delicious meal for you to purchase or be delivered to your door.

Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for the following upcoming activities:

• Friday, July 20 - Young Adults Tri Tip BBQ and Crypto-Currency Presentation

The Project Youth Committee will be hosting a Tri Tip BBQ and Crypto-Currency presentation for all young adults ages 18 to 35 in the Haig Berberian Hall. A devotional will be given by parish priest, Fr. Yessai Bedros.

• Saturday, August 4 - Car Wash Fundraiser

The St. Paul Basketball Team will be hosting a car wash in the church parking lot from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

• Sunday, August 5 - St. Paul Annual Grape Blessing and Picnic

The biggest event of the summer is the Annual Grape Blessing and Picnic at the California Armenian Home. Everyone is working hard to have a successful event that will not only include our church services, grape blessing ceremony, delicious food, vendors, music by the Richard Hagopian Band, and games for the kids; but this year there will also be a pilaf cook-off and a tayloo tournament! This event is also one of St. Paul's largest annual fundraisers, so please consider being a picnic sponsor for a \$300 donation. You will be receiving raffle tickets in the mail soon, which is a great way to help the church as well as have a chance to win some money! Volunteer help is always appreciated with preparation in the kitchen on August 4 or at the picnic on August 5. If you are able to help please contact the church office.

• Saturday, August 18 - Movie Night

The Senior ACYO will be hosting a Movie Night in the Haig Berberian Hall. They will be showing the movie called "War Room" at 6:30 p.m.

Please see more information on all of the above listed activities in the Dajar. Also, the Parish Council thanks all of those who volunteered to help with our recent Vacation Bible School. This is an important event for the parish youth and takes a lot of effort to be successful.

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Ladies Society

A big thank you to Jackie Manoogian for organizing the Ladies Society annual outing! This year's destination was to the Forestiere Underground Gardens on June 20. What a fantastic, interesting and historic place! The ladies enjoyed their time together, followed by lunch at BJ Brewery. Thank you so much, Jackie, for a fun day!

Thank you to our Sunday School Vacation Bible School committee of Tracy Beberian, Christine Antranikian, Zar DerMugrdechian, Yn. Vartine Bedros and Darlene Chardukian who planned an exciting and inspirational week with the theme of "Holy Orders." The students that attended learned about this sacrament through Bible lessons, arts and crafts, folk dancing and vocabulary, beautiful Armenian Songs and cooking. Many thanks to all the parents that brought their children!

Upcoming Events:

- Friday, July 20 Young Adults Get Together
- Saturday, August 4 Prep for Annual Grape Blessing Picnic-Church
- Sunday, August 5, Annual Grape Blessing Picnic-California Armenian Home grounds



Forestiere Underground Gardens



Men's Forum

Although the annual Father-Son Dinner had a relatively light turnout due to various scheduling conflicts, those fortunate enough to attend enjoyed a special family style meal at the Santa Fe Basque Restaurant on Wednesday, June 20. Half of those present were members of Joe Garabedian's family, including four of his grandsons. Needless to say, nobody went home hungry and everyone looks forward to returning next year.

The Men's Forum regularly hosted Sunday Fellowship this month will be on July 15 instead of the usual second Sunday of the month due to A.C.Y.O. hosting the Feast of Transfiguration, "Vartavar" luncheon and activities on that day. Members are encouraged to attend Sunday services on Fellowship day and be available to help with serving and clean-up as needed.

There will be no planned dinner-meetings in July and August, but Forum members are asked to participate in supporting the St. Paul Church Annual Grape-Blessing Picnic on Sunday, August 5. It will, once again, be held at the beautiful grounds of the recently expanded California Armenian Home. Hopefully, the weather will be below 100-degree temperatures for the church service, grape blessing ceremony and picnic festivities.

The next scheduled Men's Forum dinner-meeting will be Wednesday evening, Sept. 19, at the St. Paul Church minor hall. The program and menu will be announced in a forthcoming flyer. It is also hoped to incorporate "Devotional Discussions" as part of the regular dinner-meetings, beginning in September. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the picnic!



Father and Son Dinner Wednesday, June 20

Juníor ACYO

On Memorial Day weekend, The ACYO Juniors participated in the 54th Annual ACYO Sports Weekend congratulations to the Junior ACYO for winning 2nd at Clovis West High School. The girls' volleyball team place in volleyball and basketball during Sports and boys' basketball team played hard on the courts and Weekend. both brought home second-place trophies. One of the chairlady, Thalia Colarian, for winning the Sardarabad Junior members, Thalia Colarian, won the Sardarabad Essay Competition and receiving a \$100 scholarship. Essay Competition and won \$100.00 in scholarship Members, players, coaches, and parents were full of great money. The Juniors also contributed to the event by selling snacks for all the hungry athletes and families. The weekend concluded with the Awards Banquet. Overall, they had fun the entire time; ice skating after the games, dancing at the banquet, and socializing with their fellow chapters.

Fellowship where they proudly displayed their secondplace trophies. They also held their monthly meeting and the church courtyard while parents and parishioners discussed future outings and events. Many of the Juniors enjoyed their meals in the hall. Much appreciation to volunteered at St. Paul's Vacation Bible School as crew those who purchased the ACYO sponsored lunch. leaders to the children. They enjoyed helping in the kitchen, playing games with the children, serving food, and assisting with arts and crafts. Throughout the summer months the Juniors will be attending Hye Camp where they will meet lots of new people and learn more about God and the Orthodox faith surrounded by beautiful nature. The ACYO Jr. basketball team will be having a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, August 4, 2018, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the St. Paul Church parking lot. Please come out and support the team! On August 5, 2018, the Juniors will be selling snow cones at the Grape Blessing Picnic and helping to sell food and assist with clean-up.

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

Seníor ACYO

The Senior ACYO members extend their They also congratulate Junior ACYO energy and excitement!

The Seniors had a wonderful time bowling on June 10! On Sunday, July 8, the Seniors celebrated The Feast of Transfiguration known as "Vartavar" and sold more than 50 delicious Lahmajoon lunches at \$12.00 per lunch. The ACYO members along with the Saturday and In the month of June, the Juniors hosted Sunday students had a blast playing water balloon fights and splashing and squirting each other with water guns in

> On August 18, the Seniors will be hosting an "Indoor Movie Night" in the Haig Berberian Hall at 6:30 p.m. They will be showing the movie, "War Room." Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite snacks, blankets or folding chairs and have a fun and relaxing time. Admission is free and pizza, popcorn, and drinks will be served (see flyer on page 13). On September 1, the Senior ACYO will be having their 2nd "Celebration of Faith" gathering at the Haig Berberian Hall. The evening will be filled with prayer, singing, Bible study and fellowship (see flyer on page 14).



Volunteering at the Vacation Bible School

Vartavar Celebration





Sports Weekend - ACYO Juniors received 2nd place in Volleyball and Basketball. Thalia Colarian also won the essay competition.



Vacation Bible School June 18 to June 22



Sunday School

Many thanks to the Vacation Bible School team, participating students, and supporting parents for a successful week of Christian education at St. Paul recently. Much appreciation, also, to Der Hayr, Yeretsgin, Coordinator Tracy Beberian, Sunday School teachers Darlene Chardukian, Zar Der Mugrdechian, Christine Antranikian and Marina Chardukian as well as Arthur Sargsyan and Charlotte Dyer. Enjoy the pictures of the instructors and students in this issue of the Dajar.

Hopefully, everyone is enjoying their summer vacations and will be ready to attend the first day of Sunday School on September 9 which will mark the beginning of the 2018/19 school year. Remember, church services continue each Sunday throughout the summer and all are invited to participate in worship services.

Pastor and Parish Council gratefully acknowledge the following donations.

May the Lord bless you.



In Memory of Adeline Kizerian Karen Melikian Paul and Kathleen Mesple

In Memory of Diane Kutnerian Sarah, Jacob, and Gabriel Escalera

In Memory of Gary Grazier Lorraine Kazarian

In Memory of Karabet Akbiyikian Sarah, Jacob, and Gabriel Escalera

In Memory of Katharine Akbiyikian Sarah, Jacob, and Gabriel Escalera

In Memory of Lily Oflazian Ben and Clarice Krikorian

In Memory of Sahak Akbiyikian Sarah, Jacob, and Gabriel Escalera

In Memory of Sonia Tutelian Mark Kerkochian

In Memory of Wilson "Willie" Bill Torosian Mimi Koligian

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In Memory of Varsenig Jiggerian Peggy Akbiyikian Mark and Sue Allen Stella Ananian Terry and Bryan Ananian Daisy Avedissian Mary Barigian Jack and Alberta Bedoian Mark Bohigian Diane Boyajian Sandra and John Choboian Cathy and Peter Cholakain Barry and Carole Chooljian Violet Derderian Zaven and Berjouhie Devejian Mr. & Mrs. Dick Dostourian Stephen Drew Sahag and Mary Egoian Joseph and Rosalie Garabedian Sandy and Tamar Gostanian

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Carlotta Bedrosian Jackie and Ray Doumanian Peter Jelladian

> **Dzovinar Project** Janice Hallaian

House of Hope Janice Hallaian



St. Paul Parish extends its sincere sympathy

June 2 - Earl Owen Boyajian survived by his wife Stella Boyajian; sons Darren Boyajian and Earl Starr Boyajian; daughter Deanne Boya

June 7 - *Mihran Kutnerian* survived by his wife Nelly Asatrian; brothers Vrezh Kutnerian, Ovanes Kutnerian and wife Nazeli Kutnerian; sons Sarkis Asatrian and Arman Asatrian and wife Kristen; daughter Flora Asatrian

June 12 - Varsenig Jiggerian survived by her son Roy Jiggerian; daughter Jacqueline Doumanian and husband Ray Doumanian; sister Mary Barigian



May God rest their souls in peace.



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 Green Salad Green Salad Lamb Shish Kabob Imperial Chicken Baked Lulu Kabob **Rice Pilaf Rice Pilaf Bulghur Pilaf** Mixed Vegetables Mixed Vegetables Mixed Vegetables Dessert – cake Dessert - cake Dessert – cake Coffee and Water Coffee and Water Coffee and Water

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 Chilpigian (559) 287-7904.

Peda Bread and butter

\$16.00/person



OUTREACH PROJECTS in ARMENIA



Peda Bread & butter

\$16.00/person

DZOVINAR VILLAGE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROJECT

Assist Village priest, Rev. Fr. Gevorg Ter Barseghyan complete the After School Christian Education Building of the village. Students ages 3 through high school come after school to be taught by caring individuals about the Bible, Christian Armenian Faith and Holy Traditions. They need monetary funding to buy chairs, desks, bookcases and lighting fixtures to fulfill this project. Donations can be made to St. Paul and write 'Dzovinar' in the memo line if writing a check.

HOUSE OF HOPE - MER HOOYS

Located in Yerevan, Armenia, the Mer Hooys program provides girls between the ages of 8-22 years old who are severely disadvantaged or come from orphanages, a solid, loving home environment. They are given language and job skills/training, computer instruction, college preparation/education, religious foundation, life skills training and psychological support. For a donation of \$150, you will receive a box of 18 cards designed by one of the girls. Any amount is greatly appreciated and checks may be made payable to St. Paul. Please include the words, 'House of Hope' in the memo line. For additional information, go to www.mer-hooys.org

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Peda Bread and butter

\$20.00/person

On behalf of the Parish Priest and the entire family of St.Paul Armenian Church, we congratulate our graduates. May God's richest blessings be with them on their graduation and always.

Congratulations



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Talia Arakelian graduated from the University of Arizona, Tucson, with a major in Communications and a minor in Social Media. She is relocating and will begin working in San Diego in June. She is the daughter of Stuart and Caroline Kuljian Arakelian of Danville, CA. Talia is the granddaughter of Adeline Arakelian and the

late Donald Arakelian and the late Dick and Diane Kuljian.

Anthony Míchael

Sahakían graduated from Bullard high hchool. He plans on continuing his education at California State University, Fresno. Anthony took AP courses throughout high school and was involved in sports such as cross-country, track, and tennis. He was one



of the top runners on both the track and crosscountry teams at Bullard. His proud parents are Michael and Karen Sahakian and sister, Alison. He is the grandson of late Harry and Mary Topoozian, Coe Sahakian and the late Joe Sahakian.

HEALING PRAYER



Sahag Egoian

Pauline Basmagian

Karnig Torosian

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

July 20: Young Adults Tri Tip BBQ and Crypto-Currency Lecture, 5 p.m., Haig Berberian Hall

August 1: Baking Angels, 9 a.m.

August 4: Car Wash Fundraiser, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Parking lot (First & Dakota)

August 5: Annual Grape Blessing & Picnic, 10:30 a.m., California Armenian Home

August 18: Senior ACYO Movie Night, 6:30 p.m., Haig Berberian Hall

September 5: Avaks, 9 a.m.

September 7: Senior ACYO Celebration of Faith, 6:30 p.m., Haig Berberian Hall

UPCOMING CHURCH FELLOWSHIPS

July 15 : Men's Forum

July 22: Saturday School

July 29:

Hosted by Doumanian Family in memory of Varsenig Jiggerian

August 5: No Fellowship

August 12: Men's Forum

August 19: Junior ACYO

August 26: Sunday School

September 2: Ladies Society

Thank you to Jacqueline and Ray Doumanian for donating three beautiful rugs to St. Paul Armenian Church.

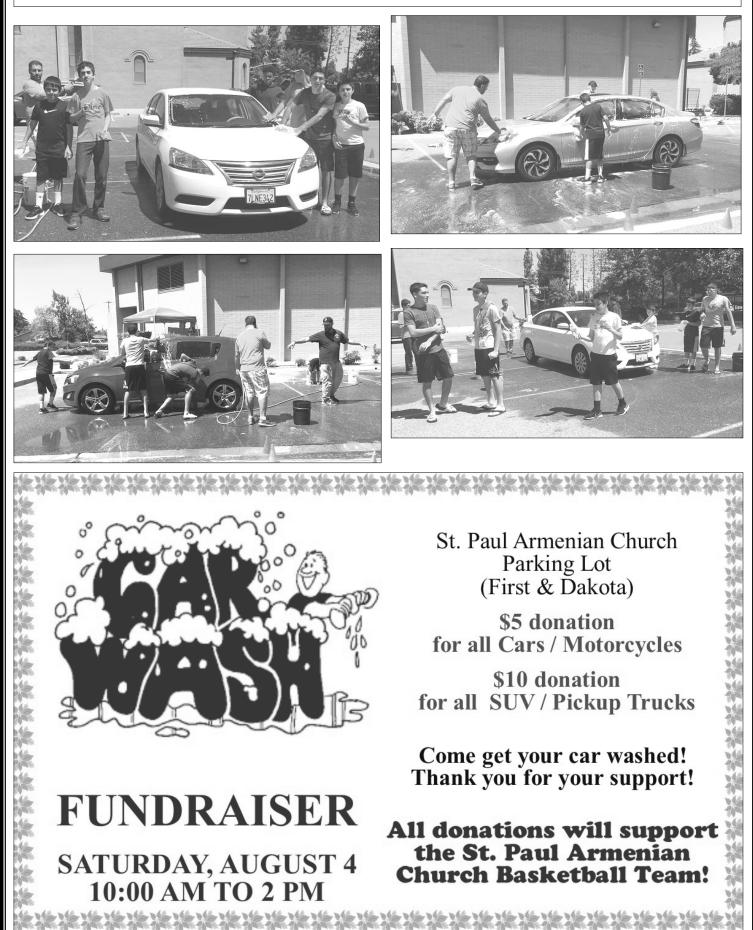


God bless you!

In Memory of Varseníg Jíggerían



NEXT CAR WASH FUNDRISER





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Feast of the Assumption of St. Mary Annual Grape Blessing Picnic

Կիրակի, Oqnuunu 5 / Sunday, August 5

California Armenian Home (6720 E. Kings Canyon Rd.)

10:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy 12:00 p.m. - Blessing of the Grapes 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Picnic

FREE ADMISSION & FREE PARKING

* Food * Music * Dancing * Raffle * Farmers Market * Baked Goods * Vendors * Featuring RICHARD HAGOPIAN & HIS BAND

SPECIAL TOUCH TO OUR PICNIC

Tavloo Tournament - 1 p.m.

Entry fee \$10 Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place. To enter call 226.6343 by July 30 (Bring Tayloo Board)

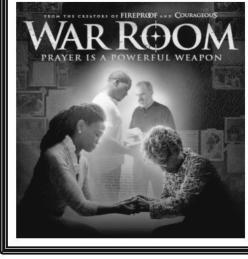
Pilaf Cookoff - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Entry fee \$20 Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. To enter call/text 559.970.9354 by July 30 (Categories: Rice, Bulghour, Specialty)

For more information call the church office at 559.226.6343 www.stpaulfresno.com Find us on Facebook: St. Paul Fresno



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From the award-winning creators of Fireproof and Courageous comes War Room, a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives.

An event for the whole family!

Bring your favorite snacks, blankets or folding chairs for a fun and relaxing evening in our Haig Berberian Hall

Saturday, August 18

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. / Movie starts at 6:30 p.m.

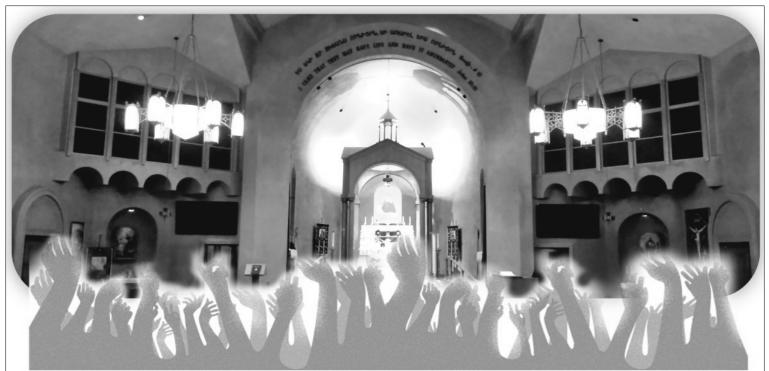
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Celebration of Faith Bible Study Worship Fellowship

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Ս. Գրքի սերտողութիւն եւ աղօթքի պահ

Friday, September 7 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. St. Paul Armenian Church Haig Berberian Hall Ուրբաթ, Սեպտեմբեր 7, երեկոյեան ժամը 6:30 - 8:00 Ս. Պօղոս Հայց. եկեղեցւոյ Հայկ Պէրպէրեան Սրահին մէջ։

Free Admission. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

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Hosted by St. Paul Armenian Church Senior ACYO For more information please call Vartush Mesropyan at 559-916-0074.



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Praise the Lord, my soul. I will praise the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. (Psalm 146.1-2)

Ophնէ Տէրը, ո՜վ իմ անձս։ Տէրը պիտի օրհնեմ իմ կեանքիս մէջ։ Որքան ատեն որ ողջ եմ` իմ Աստուծոյս սաղմոս պիտի ըսեմ։ (Սաղմոս 146.1-2)

