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WESTERN DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH



Dear Parishioners,

We are now at a crucial standpoint when in two years time we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral and more than ever cherish to pursue the goal of paying off the existing loan of close to three million dollars. We can certainly succeed when we all work together and participate in the mission of the Cathedral.

The participation of each parishioner is vital. Drops can make rivers and seas and more to so our participation can show our commitment for the Mother Cathedral. We ought to act with love and show the unity of our efforts for a stronger Diocese.

Thus, make the move and pledge to become a Godfather and a shareholder in the 10th anniversary celebration of the construction of St. Leon (Ghevontiants) Armenian Cathedral.

The title of Godfather in any family is bestowed upon a well-respected individual who is willing to take a child under his wing. In our case, the "child" is St Leon (Ghevontiants) Armenian Cathedral, a 90 year old dream, a glorious edifice which attests to our unshakable Christian Faith. Inside her blessed walls we join the Psalmist in exclaiming "Praise the LORD, all you who stand in the house of the LORD ... Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good..." (Psalms 135:1-3) and it is in the House of God where we lift up our hearts and say "Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand" (1 Chronicles 29:14).

Please call the Diocese at 818-558-7474 to donate to the Cathedral Fund.

News from our parish



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Ձեզի մեզի մեծ աւետիս:

Kristos dznay yev haydnetsav,
Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosi,
Dzezi yev mezi meds avedis.

Christ is born and revealed,
Blessed is the revelation of Christ,
Good tidings to you and to us.

Parish Council

The Parish Council wishes you a Happy New Year and hopes you have a healthy and prosperous 2019!

December was a busy month; including the Ladies Society's annual Christmas Luncheon, the annual banquet of the Saturday School, and the ACYO Juniors Christmas caroling at the California Armenian Home. Congratulations to all of the organizations on the successful events!

The New Year will begin with the Feast of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ. Armenian Christmas Eve Services (Jurakalouyts) will be on Saturday, January 5, with Divine Liturgy beginning at 5:00 p.m. followed by the annual Jurakalouyts Dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Haig Berberian Hall. Armenian Christmas Services will be on Sunday, January 6, with Divine Liturgy beginning at 10:00 a.m. and will include the Blessing of the Water Service.

During January, annual statements of contributions will be mailed that will list your contributions to the church in 2018. Please keep this information with your income tax records, and contact the church office if you have any questions or note any errors on your annual contribution statement.

You should have also received the 2019 Pledge Form. Please complete your pledge form and return it to the church at your earliest convenience, as it helps to plan the church finances for the coming year.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, February 10, 2019, for the Annual Parish Assembly. Participation in the annual meeting by dues paying members is very important as there will be discussions on significant issues pertaining to the parish. Annual elections will take place, as well.

*We extend our
sincere appreciation to
Jackie and Ray Doumanian
for making a donation,
in memory of
Varsenig Jiggerian, toward our
new convection ovens.*

*Thank
you*

May the Lord watch over you and strengthen you. You are in our thoughts and prayers!



Christine Antranikian,

Misak Arakelyan,

Miche Erganian, Rosalie Garabedian

Ladies Society

Join the Ladies Society on Wednesday, January 9, 2019, for their general meeting and dinner with devotional and program at St. Paul Haig Berberian Hall. There will be a delicious pasta dinner with salad, bread and dessert for \$15 per person. Please make your reservations for dinner by Friday, January 4, 2019, to: Annette Moushigian at 559-906-2114 or email: moushigian@comcast.net

The Ladies Society elected new officers for the 2018-2019 year. Congratulations to the newly elected officers and continuing officers: **Chairman** - Melene Ouzounian, **Vice Chairman** - Isabel Chilpigan, **Treasurer** - Isabelle Bishop, **Assistant Treasurer** - Judy Moordigian, **Recording Secretary** - Linda Minier, **Corresponding Secretary** - Rosanna Furioso-Rojas, **Monthly Committee Coordinator** - Alberta Bedoian, **Devotional Coordinator** - Shenora Adishian, **Raffle Coordinator** - Jackie Manoogian, **Sunshine Coordinator** - Daisy Avedissian, and **Communications Coordinator** - Annette Moushigian. May God give them the strength and wisdom to lead and continue the mission of the Ladies Society.

Ladies, if you haven't sent in your volunteer and directory forms please do so as soon as possible! The Ladies Society is planning a bus trip to San Francisco on Thursday, February 21, 2019, to have lunch with sister Ladies Society members at St. Vartan, Oakland. If you would like to join them, save the date and look for details in the up-coming newsletter to make your reservation.

Up-coming Dates:

- Sunday, January 6, 2019 - Armenian Christmas services
- Wednesday, January 9, 2019 - General meeting and dinner, 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, February 10, 2019 - Annual Parish Assembly
- Wednesday, February 13, 2019 - General meeting and dinner 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, February 21, 2019 - Bus Trip to San Francisco

Men's Forum

Men's Forum activities for December was minimal to say the least. With no scheduled dinner-meeting during the holiday month, they still intended to host the scheduled Sunday Fellowship on Dec. 9. As it turned out, their efforts were limited to serving only coffee, as a wonderful array of delicious food treats were graciously provided by the Oganessian family. Men's Forum sends the family much appreciation and gratitude. It was an honor to have His Grace, Bishop Amash Nalbandian, Primate of the Armenian Church of Damascus, Syria, present. During Fellowship, Bishop Nalbandian gave a vivid description of the conditions and hardships faced by Armenians currently residing in Syria, as they struggle to cope with the nation-wide unrest.

The first Men's Forum dinner-meeting of the new year is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, at the St. Paul minor hall. There will be a catered dinner from a local Armenian/Middle Eastern restaurant, (as yet to be selected). An announcement flyer will be forthcoming with more details. Similar to last year, there are plans to conduct a general discussion of activities for the new year, as well as selecting a new slate of officers since the normally scheduled fall elections did not take place this past November.

Although he is not yet a Forum member, sincere congratulations are extended to life-long St. Paul parishioner, Matty Matoian, for his recent honor of being selected as the 2019 winner of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce 'Leon S. Peters Award' for top business leadership and community service.

In closing, Men's Forum extends their wishes to everyone at St. Paul Parish for a very joyous Armenian Christmas and good health in the New Year.

Senior ACYO

Happy New Year!

The ACYO Seniors are looking forward to the New Year with good health and enthusiasm full of fellowship and participation in church activities. They are starting out with a new slate of officers: Chairman - Marina Chardukian, Vice Chairman - Sean Minier, Secretary - Suzy Ekmekchyan, and Treasurer - Ashkhen Chamasanyan. All young adults, ages 18 and up, are welcome to participate. There are regular meetings and socials to fulfill the four main pillars of ACYO which are as follows: worship, service, education, and fellowship.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Senior ACYO, email them at fresnoacyo@gmail.com.

Junior ACYO

In the month of December, the ACYO Juniors had a busy holiday season. They began the month with their general meeting where they finalized the details of their upcoming events. On Saturday, December 22, 2018, the Juniors headed out to the California Armenian Home to put smiles on the residents' faces with their cheerful caroling. The Juniors dressed in festive Christmas attire as they served fruit to the residents as well. Two of the Junior members, Natalie Agazarian and Grace Colarian, provided music on their violins as they caroled through the halls. After Christmas caroling, the Juniors headed out to dinner together. The ACYO Juniors continued their holiday activities as they came together on December 26 to bake simit and choreg to sell throughout the remainder of the month. The Juniors are looking forward to their elections this month and the new year ahead!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year on behalf of the ACYO Juniors!
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If you have any questions or would like to join,
please contact Thalia Colarian @acyojuniors@gmail.com or (559) 385-1109.

Christmas Caroling 12-22-18



Baking Simit & Choreg 12-26-18



Sunday School

Sunday School focused on the Christmas Eve Nativity presentation during December. Special thanks to Teacher Zar and all the teachers for organizing the beautiful Christmas Nativity presentation to occur on the evening of Saturday, January 5. Thanks, in advance, to students and parents for attending the evening and helping celebrate a fantastic Armenian Christmas Eve! Many thanks to all the teachers and parents that helped with Fellowship on December 23. Happy New Year and Merry Christmas to everyone!

The St. Paul Sunday School family sends their prayers, love and support to Teacher Christine Antranikian for good health and recovery from her recent illness. God bless you, Christine, for all your efforts. The Sunday School staff and students look forward to having you join them again very soon.

Following are Sunday School events for the month of January:

- * **Sunday, January 6** - No Sunday School – Christmas. Please attend church service *
- * **Sunday, January 13** - Regular Assembly and Class Lessons *
- * **Sunday, January 20** - Regular Assembly and Class Lessons *
- * **Sunday, January 27** - Regular Assembly and Class Lessons *



Sunday School Assembly - November 4

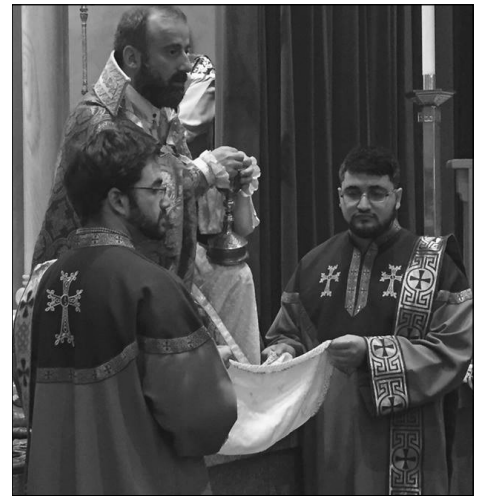
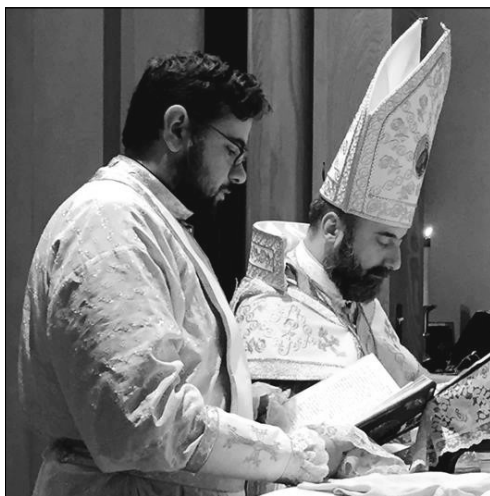


Western Diocese Christian Education Council Advent Fair - California Armenian Home
St. Paul Armenian Church (Fresno) & St. Mary Armenian Church (Yetttem)

Honoring Deacons of the church 12-23-18



Sourp Badarak celebrated by Armash Surpazan Primate of the Diocese of Damascus, Syria.
12-9-18



Saturday Armenian School Christmas Banquet
12-16-18



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

May the Lord bless you.



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Sarkis and Houry Sabiljian

**In Memory of Moushegh
Grigorian**

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Artin and Armine Jibilian

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St. Paul Parish extends it's sincere sympathy

December 29

Vahan Chakarian survived by his wife Joulietta Jamkotchian; daughter Mane Chakarian; brothers Karo Chakarian and Vartan Chakarian; sister Acho Chakarian; niece Arshaluys Chakarian; nephews Mkrtych Chakarian and Khachatur Chakarian

May God rest his soul in peace.



JANUARY 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5 <u>Jurakalouys</u> Badarak 5pm Dinner 6:30pm
6 <u>Armenian Christmas</u> Badarak 10am Blessing of Water 11:30am All Organization Fellowship	7	8	9 Ladies Dinner Meeting 6:30pm	10	11 Drive-Thru & Delivery Lunch 11am to 1pm	12 Saturday School 10am
13 Men's Forum Fellowship	14	15	16 Men's Forum Dinner Meeting 6:30pm	17 ACYO Bible Study and Prayer 7pm	18	19 Saturday School 10am
20 Senior ACYO Fellowship	21	22	23	24	25	26 Saturday School 10am
27 Saturday School Fellowship	28	29	30	31		

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.

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Fresno Chapter

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Adults

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February 4, 11, 18, 25
March 4, 11, 18, 25

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*Christ is born and Revealed!
Blessed is the Revelation of Christ!*

Schedule for the
feast of the Nativity and
Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ

Saturday, January 5, 2019 Jurakalouyts

Reading of Holy Scriptures.....4:30 PM
Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy.....5:00 PM
Traditional Dinner.....6:30 PM

Sunday, January 6, 2019

Armenian Christmas

Morning Service.....9:30 AM
Divine Liturgy.....10:00 AM
Blessing of water.....11:30 AM



Ժամանակացոյց Ս. Ծննդեան եւ
Աստուածայայտնութեան Տեառն
Մերոյ Յիսուսի Քրիստոսի

Շաբաթ, Յունուար 5, 2019

Դրագալոյց եւ Ջրօրհնէք

Ս. Գրոց Ընթերցում.....4:30
Ս. Պատարագ.....5:00
Աւանդական Ընթրիք.....6:30

Կիրակի, Յունուար 6, 2019

Տօնակատարութիւն Ս. Ծննդեան

Ժամերգութիւն.....9:30
Ս. Պատարագ.....10:00
Ջրօրհնէք.....11:30

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Bible Study and Prayer

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Thursday, January 17
7:00 p.m.

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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)

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St. Paul Armenian Apostolic Church

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