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WELCOME TO
**ST. GREGORY
THE ENLIGHTENER**
ARMENIAN CHURCH

FR. MESROB HOVSEPYAN, PASTOR

MORNING SERVICE: 9:45 A.M.

DIVINE LITURGY: 10:15 A.M.

APRIL 21, 2024
RED SUNDAY
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

1 Peter 5:1-14

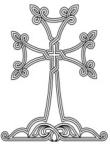
John 5:19-30

PC MEMBERS ON DUTY:

Arek Ohanissian

Janet Ozsolak

Betty Sagatelian-Ortiz



REQUIEM SERVICE WILL BE HELD TODAY

*Please see page 7 of the bulletin
for the complete list of names.*

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Red Sunday

In the Calendar of the Armenian Church, the third Sunday following the Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ is known as Red Sunday. The color “red” has been used throughout history to represent many things. One of the symbolic meanings is the blood of the martyrs who were sacrificed for Christ, His Holy Church, and their Christian faith. During the early years of Christianity, faithful followers of Jesus Christ were subjected to severe persecutions and torments. Many elected to die rather than betray their principles of life and faith, which the Incarnate God - Christ Jesus - had endowed to them and all of mankind. The psalmist writes, “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of the saints.” Today, martyrdom is far less often an occurrence in the lives of Christians, yet it does happen. However, the greater struggle is the one against sin, which we can see manifested in many ways throughout the world. The battle against wickedness and evil, which will be victorious in the end, is the current expression of the significance of Red Sunday. The Apostle Paul writes that Christ Himself endured such opposition, that we should not grow weary in our battle against wickedness. In his letter to the Hebrews, Paul says: “In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.” We are to use the opportunity of Red Sunday to once again remind ourselves of Paul’s exhortation to remain steadfast in the Lord, and to continue our daily labors of goodness and righteousness.

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Հայաստանյայց Առաքելական Եկեղեցու տոնացույցում Մբ. Զատիկին հաջորդող կիրակիներն հատուկ խորհրդանշական անվանումներ ունեն: Զատիկի չորրորդ կիրակին կոչվում է Կարմիր: Կարմիրը Քրիստոսի եկեղեցու եւ հավատի համար մարտիրոսացած նահատակների սուրբ արյան խորհրդանիշն է: Քրիստոնեության վաղ շրջանում, երբ քրիստոնյաները դաժան հալածանքներ էին ենթարկվում, շատերը գերադասեցին մեռնել, քան դավաճանել հավատի այն սկզբունքներին, որ մարդկությանն ավանդել էր մարդացյալ Աստված՝ Քրիստոս: «Տիրոջ աչքում հարգելի է մահն իր սրբերի»: Սակայն այսօր նահատակության անհրաժեշտությունն չկա, եւ արյուն թափելը, մահը, պայքարն ու հաղթանակն այլ իմաստ են ձեռք բերել ընդդեմ մեղքի ու չարիքի: «Չլինի թե հոգնեք և հուսալքվեք, դուք, որ կովի մեջ դեռ արյուն թափելու չափ չհակառակվեցիք մեղքին», - ասում է Պողոս առաքյալը եւ իբրեւ պատգամ բոլոր քրիստոնյաներին խրատում. «Նա, որ մեռավ, մեղքի համար մեռավ մեկընդմիջտ, եւ նա, որ կենդանի է, կենդանի է Աստծո համար: Նույնպես եւ դուք ձեզ մեռած համարեցեք մեղքի համար, բայց կենդանի՝ Աստծո համար, մեր Տեր Հիսուս Քրիստոսով»:

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The reading is from the First Epistle of Peter (5:1-14)

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The second reading is from the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to John (5:19-30)

Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing; and he will show him greater works than these, so that you will be astonished. Indeed, just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whomever he wishes. The Father judges no one but has given all judgment to the Son, so that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Anyone who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life. “Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God,

and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to judge, because he is the Son of Man.

Pastoral Care, Home and Hospital Visits

Der Mesrob is always available and would like to visit homebound and hospitalized parishioners. If you or someone you know is ill, Hospitalized or homebound and would like to be visited, please call Der Mesrob directly at (804)-405-9399 to schedule the visit. Please note: when asked about your religion at a hospital, patients should list themselves as “Armenian Orthodox” or “Armenian” not “other”.

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WOMEN'S GUILD

Invites you to

SAINTLY WOMEN'S DAY

Celebrating

ST. HRIPSIME - Honored Saint of 2024

- ❖ Saturday April 27, 2024, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
- ❖ Service, Light Refreshments & Tea
- ❖ We will be displaying Armenian Embroidery and Lace to honor ancestral *Handiwork & Legacy*
- ❖ \$35.00 donation per person
- ❖ RSVP: to Dawn Papalian at 310-850-6496 by Monday April 22, 2024
- ❖ At Tutak Hall



Graduates of 2024

If you know of any St. Gregory parishioners graduating from high school, college, or graduate school this spring, please notify (or pass the word along and have them notify) the church office or Der Hayr by calling 914-428-2595 or emailing saintgregorychurchwp@gmail.com. Please share with us the student's name and photo, school, special achievements, future plans, etc., so we may share our pride in their accomplishments with our entire parish in the Enlightener eNewsletter. Congratulations to all graduates!



Fellowship Coffee Hour

We appreciate the Parish Council members on duty for arranging the refreshments for fellowship hour today.

If you would like to sign-up for a future date to host and sponsor refreshments for the fellowship coffee hour on Sunday, kindly contact coordinator: Adriane Keleshian Bonfiglio (914) 649-1072.

ST. GREGORY CULTURAL COMMITTEE PRESENTS
21ST ANNUAL LIONEL GALSTAUN MEMORIAL CONCERT

SUNDAY
MAY 5, 2024

JARED BLAJIAN, CELLIST
NARA AVETISYAN, PIANIST

Complimentary Luncheon following Badarak in Tutak Hall
Performance in the Sanctuary 1:30pm

RSVP 4/26 at stgregoryculturalcommittee@gmail.com or call at 914 428 2595

Your generous donations will help support young Armenian musicians !

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The poster features a dark grey background with gold musical notes and a treble clef. It includes two photographs: one of a man in a blue shirt playing a cello, and another of a woman in a black dress playing a piano. A gold circle in the upper right corner contains the event date. The text is in a mix of gold and white fonts, with the performers' names in large, bold white letters.

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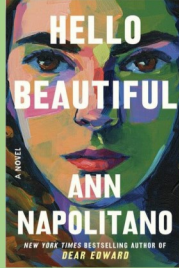
Aida's Book Club

Invites you to a

BOOK DISCUSSION

HELLO, BEAUTIFUL

BY ANN NAPOLITANO



SATURDAY 05/11/2024 at 2:00 PM

1131 North Street, White Plains, NY 10605

"Hello Beautiful is a profoundly moving and propulsive novel about the deepest connections of family and love, trauma and healing. In intricately elegant prose, Ann Napolitano explores both the cost and power of loyalty and honesty. This is a book to treasure and share with friends and loved ones."

RSVP: Ellie Krolian (914) 588-7047 ebkrolian@gmail.com



Feast of

St. Gregory's Deliverance from the Pit

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**JUNE
SATURDAY**

DIVINE LITURGY

10:30 am

PRESIDED BY

Bishop Mesrop Parsamyan, Primate

CELEBRANT

Fr. Mesrob Hovsepian

HOMILIST

Fr. Abraham Malkhasyan

Lunch to follow

RSVP by May 26

firmsrob@gmail.com


**ST. GREGORY THE ENLIGHTENER
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 PRESENTS

**SATURDAY
JUNE 15
2024**

**HUYSER
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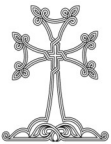


International Rhythms
AN OPEN-AIR CONCERT
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 1131 NORTH STREET
 WHITE PLAINS, NY

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 CONCERT STARTS AT 7:30 PM


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REQUIEM SERVICE WILL BE OFFERED FOR:

***Haroutyoun and Kohar Tepikian;
Shah Arslan and Jacqueline Tepikian Arslan;
Bernard and Lucy Tepikian***

Requested by: Janice Tepikian, Steven Tepikian, Laura Tepikian Klanian

May God rest their souls in His eternal peace and presence and grant their loved ones the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

BAKE SALE

The Women's Guild will have a Bake Sale on Sunday, May 5th, after Badarak in the Atrium. Please stop by to buy delicious handmade Armenian baked goods just in time for Mother's Day!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY	<p>Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan celebrates the Divine Liturgy.</p> <p>At the end of the Liturgy Order of Intercessory Prayer for the Holy Martyrs will be offered in commemoration of the Holy Martyrs.</p> <p>During Fellowship Hour, Madagh sandwiches will be served in commemoration of the Feast of the Saints of the Holy Martyrs.</p>
APRIL 27, SATURDAY	<p>Saintly Women's Day, 2-4 pm.</p> <p><i>Please see the flyer in the bulletin for full details.</i></p>
APRIL 30– MAY 4	<p>Annual Clergy Conference and Diocesan Assembly, Springfield, MA.</p>
MAY 5, SUNDAY	<p>Annual Lionel Galstaun Memorial Concert featuring Jared Blajian, Cellist and Nara Avetisyan, Pianist. <i>The flyer can be found inside.</i></p> <p><i>The Women's Guild Mother's Day Bake Sale will be held in the Atrium.</i></p>
MAY 11, SATURDAY	<p>Aida's Book Club</p> <p>2:00 pm in the Atrium</p>
MAY 19, SUNDAY	<p>Armenian School Graduation, 3:00pm.</p>
JUNE 1, SATURDAY	<p>Feast of St. Gregory's deliverance from the pit</p> <p>Divine Liturgy will be celebrated.</p> <p><i>The flyer can be found inside.</i></p>
JUNE 2, SUNDAY	<p>Women's Guild General Meeting and</p> <p>Learn to Make Jingalov Hats</p>
JUNE 8, SATURDAY	<p>Co-ed BBQ and Game Night</p> <p><i>Hosted by the St. Gregory Men's Club</i></p>
JUNE 15, SATURDAY	<p>Huyser Ensemble Concert</p> <p><i>The flyer can be found inside.</i></p>