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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.

JUNE 16, 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READ-

Romans 7:25-8:11

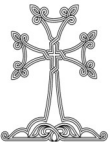
Matthew 12:38-45

PC MEMBERS ON DUTY:

Chris Bonfiglio

Joanne Chitjian

Arek Ohanissian



REQUIEM SERVICE WILL NOT BE OFFERED TODAY.

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Commemoration Day of the discovery of the Relics of St. Gregory the Illuminator

The Commemoration Day of the discovery of the relics of St. Gregory the Illuminator is one of the three significant feast days dedicated to the memory of the Patron Saint of Armenia. According to Holy Tradition, following Armenia's conversion to Christianity, in his final years, St. Gregory led an ascetic life in the cave of Mane on the Mountain named Sepuh where he died in 326 A.D. Shepherds, finding his body, buried him not recognizing the Armenian Pontiff.

One of his students, Garnik from Basen sees a vision, where Gregory identifies the location of his relics. The relics were thereupon transferred to the village of Tordan, in the province of Daranagh, and buried there. The relics of St. Gregory the Illuminator are one of our most revered within the Armenian Church, as well as all Christian Churches.

Following their discovery, some were taken to various places for safekeeping, among them Etchmiadzin, Byzantium, and Italy. The Right Hand of the Saint, preserved in the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin, is one of the most important sanctities of the Armenian Church, and is used by the Catholicos of All Armenians during the blessing of the Holy Chrism (Muron). To commemorate the day, Divine Liturgy is celebrated in our Churches.

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Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորչի նշխարների գյուտը հայոց մեծագույն սրբերից մեկի հիշատակին նվիրված երեք տոներից մեկն է: Ըստ ավանդության՝ հայոց մեծ դարձից հետո Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորիչն իր կյանքի վերջին տարիներն ավարտում է ճգնակեցությամբ՝ Սեպուհ լեռան Մանեի այրում, որտեղ էլ վախճանվում է 326 թվականին: Նրա մարմինը գտնում են հովիվները, որոնք, չճանաչելով մահացած կաթողիկոսին, մարմինը ծածկում են քարակույտի տակ: Հետագայում Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորիչը տեսիլքով այտնում է իր նշխարների տեղն աշակերտներից Գառնիկ Բասենցուն, որից հետո Հայրապետի նշխարները տեղափոխվում և ամփոփվում են Դարանաղի գավառի Թորդան գյուղում: Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորչի շխարները բոլոր քրիստոնեական եկեղեցիների ամենամեծ սրբություններից են: Հայոց Հայրապետի նշխարները գտնվելուց հետո նրանցից մի մասն իբրև թբազան մատունք տարվել է Վաղարշապատ, Բյուզանդիա, Իտալիա: Մայր Աթոռ Ս. Էջմիածնում պահվող Լուսավորչի Ս. Աջը Հայ եկեղեցու ընտրագույն սրբություններից մեկն է, որով օրհնվում է սրբազան մյուռոնը: Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորչի նշխարների գյուտի տոնը նշվում է Հոգեգալստից հետո, չորրորդ շաբաթ օրը: Տոնի օրը եկեղեցիներում մատուցվում է Ս. Պատարագ: Տոնի առիթով Հայ եկեղեցին սահմանել է շաբաթապահք: Տոնն ունի նաև իր նախատոնակը:

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The first reading is from the Letter of Romans 7:25-8:11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, indeed it cannot; and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, if the Spirit of God really dwells in you. Any one who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although your bodies are dead because of sin, your spirits are alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit who dwells in you.

The second reading is from Holy Gospel according to Matthew 12:38-45

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to him, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign; but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. The queen of the South will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here. "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest, but he finds none. Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. Then he goes and brings with him seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. So shall it be also with this evil generation."

CLASS OF 2024

GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 2023-2024

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 saintgregory-

churchwp@gmail.com.

Please share with us the student's name, school, special achievements, future plans, etc., so we may share our pride in their accomplishments with our entire parish in the Enlightener Newsletter and eNewsletter. This year's graduates are the following (please let us know if we missed anyone):

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Nicholas Cehreci
Kelly Marina Parker
Kyle Vahan Pidedjian
Gregory Postian

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Pete Klanian Blonkvist
Cody Eskandarian
Nyrie Ovanessian

Congratulations to all graduates.



Fellowship Coffee Hour

We appreciate the gracious generosity of the Parish Council members on duty for providing refreshments for today's fellowship coffee hour. 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.



Holy Communion Distribution Guidelines

While we still haven't gone back to "previous normal" the Holy Communion will be distributed with some adjustments.

As parishioners approach to receive Holy Communion:

- Sanitize your hands in the chancel.
 - Place your right hand in the left hand and extend it to the celebrant.
 - The celebrant will place the Holy Communion in your palm.
 - Consume it in front of the celebrant **WITHOUT TOUCHING THE COMMUNION** with other fingers.
 - Wash your palm with the help of a deacon or a parishioner.
- There is a washing station on both sides of the sanctuary.
Return to your seat from the right side of the chancel.
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THE KISS OF PEACE

The GIVER says:

Christ is revealed amongst us.

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ:

Kreedsdos ee mech mer haydnetsav.

The RECEIVER says:

Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:

Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Kreedsdosee.

WHEN TAKING MAHS

The GIVER says:

May this be to you a share and portion of the Holy Sacrifice.

Մաս և բաժին եղիցի քեզ ի Սուրբ Պատարագէս:

*Mahs yev pazheen yegheetsee kez ee Soorp
Badarakes.*

The RECEIVER says:

My portion is God forever.

Բաժին իմ Աստուած յաւիտեան:

Pahjeen eem Asdvadz haveedyan.

THE PSALM OF DISMISSAL - PSALM 34

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall be at all times in my mouth.

*Օրհնեցից ըզՏէր յամենայն ժամ, յամենայն ժամ,
Օրհնութիւն նորա ի բերան իմ:*

*Orhnetseets uzDer hamenayn zham, hamenayn zham
orhnootyoon nora ee peran eem.*

When approaching the Holy Gospel at the end of the Divine Liturgy you say:

May the Lord remember all your sacrifices.

Յիշեցէ Տէր զամենայն պատարագս քո.

Heeshestseh Der zamenayn Badarakus ko

The Priest answers:

May the Lord grant you according to your own heart, and fulfill all your desires. (Psalm 20:4)

*Տացէ քեզ Տէր ըստ սրտի քում և զամենայն խորհուրդս քո
ի բարիս նա կատարեցէ:*

*Datseh kez Der usd srdee koom yev zamenayn
khorhoortus koh ee pareas na gadarestseh.*

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WOMEN'S GUILD

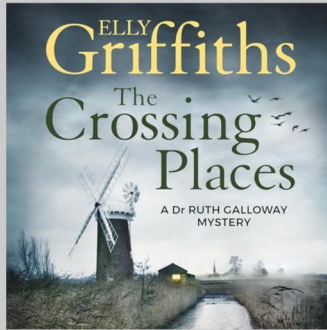
Aida's Book Club

Invites you to a

BOOK DISCUSSION & MYSTERY SOLVING

THE CROSSING PLACES

BY ELLY GRIFFITHS



SATURDAY 06/22/2024

11:00 AM (Please note time change)

1131 North Street, White Plains, NY 10605

NOTE: at the meeting we will attempt to solve the mystery. Therefore, please read up to page 267 only!! The conclusion of the book will be discussed in the meeting. We'll have a mystery within a mystery and we hope it will be fun for all of you.

Any Questions: Ask Ellie Krolian (914) 588-7047 cbkrolian@gmail.com

All-American BBQ

SUNDAY, July 14th, 2024

12:30 pm

Family Fundraiser

sponsored by The Women's Guild
St. Gregory the Enlightener Armenian Church
1131 North Street – White Plains, NY 10605



\$40.pp (\$20. Children under 12, Children under 5 FREE)

All American BBQ Favorites

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Pulled Pork, Chicken, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans,
Corn-on-the-Cob, Watermelon, Apple Pie, Brownies, Lemonade, Iced Tea

Net proceeds from this fundraiser will be donated to



Fuller Center for Housing in Armenia



toward completion of our 12th St. Gregory House



Invite your Friends & Family to support this worthy organization

Everyone WELCOME!

RSVP via cell/text: **Adriane Keleshian Bonfiglio (914) 649-1072**

****Please include NAME & number of adults/children in reservation****

We appreciate your Pre-Paid Advance Reservations for proper planning before July 7th

All-American BBQ FAMILY FUNDRAISER

Reservation Name: _____ Phone Contact: (____) _____

Number Attending: _____ @ \$40. per person \$ _____

Number of Children *"UNDER 12 years old"* _____ @ \$20. per child \$ _____

"Under 5 years old FREE" _____ *FREE* \$ _____

**** FCHA Donation (optional) **** \$ _____

Check # _____ Total: \$ _____

payable to: **Women's Guild / St. Gregory Armenian Church**
1131 North Street – White Plains, NY 10605

optional Separate DONATION payable to: Fuller Center for Housing/Armenia		Check # _____
MEMO: St. Gregory the Enlightener/White Plains NY		
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<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____

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

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY	Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan celebrates the Divine Liturgy. <i>Please join us for Fellowship hour after Badarak.</i>
JUNE 22, SATURDAY	Book Club will meet at 11:00am (please note the time change). The Crossing Places by Elly Griffiths. Readers, please check your email for directions on reading the book! Contact Ellie at ebkrolian@gmail.com with questions.
JULY 14, SUNDAY	All American BBQ fundraiser for Fuller Center.
AUGUST 18, SUNDAY	Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother of God. Blessing of Grapes service.
SEPTEMBER 22, SUNDAY	SAVE THE DATE: Annual Picnic
OCTOBER 6, SUNDAY	“Early Recordings of Armenian Classics” presented by musician & composer Ara Dinkjian—12:30pm lunch, 1:30pm presentation. Organized by Cultural Committee

LITURGY TEXT CAPTIONING

We have set up a TV on a stand in the sanctuary to display the captioning of the Divine Liturgy. Our intention is to streamline participation by providing both Armenian transliteration and English translation of the text. Additionally, the display will feature music notes encouraging congregational singing.

Your feedback regarding its effectiveness is invaluable to us. Please share whether this addition enhances your experience and if there are any modifications we can implement to further improve its utility for you.

Eventually two displays will be mounted on the wall if it works the way it is intended.