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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.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE ASSUMPTION OF ST. MARY

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

2 Corinthians 1:1-11

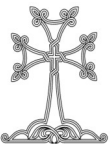
Mark 4:35-41

PC MEMBERS ON DUTY:

Chris Bonfiglio

Arek Ohanissian

Sybil Postian



REQUIEM SERVICE WILL BE HELD TODAY

Tereza Kooshakjian (2 years); Jack Kooshak (50 years)

Requested by: The Kooshakjian family

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

Our address: 1131 North Street, White Plains, NY 10605, www.stgregorywp.com

Office hours: Tuesday-Friday 9a.m.-3p.m., Mondays closed.

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Fr. Mesrob: (804) 405-9399, fr.mesrob@yahoo.com

FEAST OF THE DISCOVERY OF THE BELT OF THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Since there are no relics of the Holy Mother's earthly body (as she was assumed into Heaven), her personal belongings became articles of pious devotion. As they were secretly kept during the time of persecution of the early church, they began to appear in later times. The first, her belt or girdle, was discovered in Jerusalem in the fifth century during the reign of Emperor Argadeos. This important article of clothing and decoration for Eastern women was later translated to Constantinople and placed in the Cathedral dedicated to the Holy Mother of God, where it was recorded to be at the time of Empress Zoe's miraculous recovery more than half a century later. The celebration of the Discoveries of the Belt and Box of the Holy Mother of God were introduced into the Armenian Church during the revisions made by Catholicos Simeon Yerevantzi (Catholicos 1763-1780) to the Directory of Feasts (Donatzouytz). The Discovery of the Belt is celebrated on the second Sunday following the Feast of Assumption and the Discovery of the Box on the fifth Sunday after Pentecost. Prior to Catholicos Simeon's revision, these were listed as voluntary celebrations and most likely were celebrated only in Constantinople for a long period of time. Later in Western Armenia, not only were these commemorations celebrated but also so were others connected to the Holy Mother's personal items deemed relics. After the 13th century, when the Latin's established their empire in Constantinople by means of the crusades, many ecclesiastic antiques and relics were transported from Byzantine to Europe.

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Մբ. Աստվածածնի գտնու գյուտը Տիրամորը նվիրված Հայ Առաքելական Եկեղեցու յոթ տոներից է: Մի հանգամանք, որն ակնհայտ կերպով ցույց է տալիս Մբ. Կույսի՝ հայ ժողովրդի հոգևոր կյանքում ունեցած կարևոր և նշանակալից տեղի ու դերի մասին: Նա, որպես մայրության և առաքինության կատարյալ օրինակ, դարեր ի վեր իր այդ հասկանիչներով կերտել ու ձևավորել է հայ օրհորդի, կնոջ և մոր նկարագիրն ու դիմագիծը՝ միաժամանակ հրաշագործություններով այսօր էլ շարունակում է իր կենդանի ներկայությունն ու ներգործությունն ունենալ մեր կյանքում: Արկադիոս կայսեր օրոք (395 - 408թթ.): Երուսաղեմում էր գտնվում Մբ. Աստվածածնի գտնին, որը հատուկ ուշադրությամբ և հարգանքով տարվում է Կ. Պոլիս: Այստեղ հավատացյալները մեծ երկյուղածությամբ այն զետեղում են Եկեղեցում:

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The first reading is from the First Epistle of Paul to 2 Corinthians 1:1-11

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation. We do not want you to be ignorant, brothers and sisters, of the affliction we experienced in Asia, for we were so utterly, unbearably crushed that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death so that we would rely not on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. He who rescued us from so deadly a peril will continue to rescue us; on him we have set our hope that he will rescue us again, as you also join in helping us by your prayers, so that many may give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.

The second reading is from the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Mark 4:35-41

“On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” And waking up, he rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Be silent! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”



YOU ARE INVITED TO
ST. GREGORY'S
ANNUAL ARMENIAN


Picnic

Come join us for delicious traditional
Armenian food and wine.

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SEPTEMBER
12PM - 5PM

LIVE ARMENIAN MUSIC, RAFFLES, FUN ACTIVITIES FOR
CHILDREN AND SO MUCH MORE MORE!

LIVE ARMENIAN MUSIC BY

John Berberian & Ensemble

DJ Music



MORE INFO

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Fellowship Coffee Hour

We appreciate the gracious generosity of the Kooshakjian family for today's coffee hour refreshments.

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

As parishioners approach to receive Holy Communion:

- 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.
- Sanitize your hand before returning to your seat from the right side of the chancel.

You Are Invited to the Rededication of the

EDWIN MICHAELIAN OFFICE BUILDING

and Celebration of Armenian Culture in
Westchester County



Speakers to Include:

Bishop Mesrob Parsamyan,
Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan
Pastor St. Gregory the Enlightener Armenian Church

Van Krikorian
Co-Chair, Armenian Assembly of America

Friday, September 13 | 10 A.M.

Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue
White Plains, NY 10601

Please join us for a special event honoring the legacy of Edwin Michaelian, the 4th County Executive of Westchester, with the rededication of the building named in his honor. The rededication will also feature a celebration of Armenian culture and community in Westchester County.

Please RSVP to communications@westchestercountyny.gov
by Friday, September 6.

St. Gregory the Enlightener Armenian Church

WOMEN'S GUILD

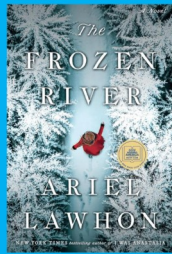
Aida's Book Club

Invites you to a

BOOK DISCUSSION

THE FROZEN RIVER

BY ARIEL LAWHON



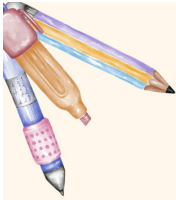
SATURDAY 09/28/2024

11:00 AM at the Atrium

1131 North Street, White Plains, NY 10605

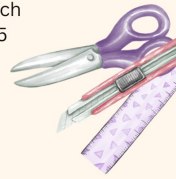
A gripping historical mystery inspired by the life and diary of Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th-century midwife who defied the legal system and wrote herself into American history

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



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Sunday School Registration



*We welcome all children to join us for the
2024-2025 School Year!*

Any questions?

**Lauren
Hayaian**

917-887-4037

**teaticket67@
netscape.net**

Sunday

September 22

10:30-12:15

Ages 3-16

*Contact
Co-Superintendents:*

**Bruce
Wiacek**

914-944-0889

**bew43@
icloud.com**



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ST. GREGORY ARMENIAN SCHOOL

1131 NORTH STREET, WHITE PLAINS, NY 10605

IN PERSON LEARNING
AGES 3 AND OLDER

SCHOOL REOPENING - ՎԵՐԱՄՈՒՏ

REGISTRATION, MEET YOUR TEACHER
BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2024
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM



WE WELCOME
NEW STUDENTS

WE TEACH:

- ❖ READING
- ❖ WRITING
- ❖ CONVERSATION
- ❖ HISTORY
- ❖ MUSIC
- ❖ DANCE
- ❖ RELIGION
- ❖ CULTURE/ TRADITION



FOR MORE DETAILS YOU CAN CALL OR EMAIL:

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MARIA BEDONIAN (ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL): 914-329-5352 – maria.bedonian@gmail.com

Today, please take a moment to remember in your prayers all the sick and recovering members of our community.

May God touch His faithful servants with His healing hand, and grant them good health & recovery.

Please inform Der Hayr if you have friends or family who are suffering any physical or spiritual distress and are in need of prayer, and he will add them to his prayer list where they will be remembered. We all need prayer – both to say for others and to be said for us.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY	<p>Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan celebrates the Divine Liturgy.</p> <p>Join us for Fellowship Hour following the Divine Liturgy</p>
SEPTEMBER 13, FRIDAY	<p>Edwin Michaelian Office Building rededication, 10am. The flyer can be found inside.</p> <p>148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, NY 10601.</p>
SEPTEMBER 14, SATURDAY	<p>Armenian School Reopening and Registration, 10:00-1:00pm.</p>
SEPTEMBER 15, SUNDAY	<p>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</p> <p>ANTASDAN - Blessing of the Four Corners of the world service will take place at the end of the Liturgy.</p>
SEPTEMBER 22, SUNDAY	<p>Sunday School reopening and Registration, 10:30-12:00pm.</p> <p>SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL PICNIC</p>
SEPTEMBER 28, SATURDAY	<p>Aida's Book Club, 11:00 am</p> <p>The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon</p>
OCTOBER 4, FRIDAY	<p>Service of the Reception of Holy Muron in St. Vartan Cathedral at 6:00 pm.</p>
OCTOBER 6, SUNDAY	<p>Blessing of the Water service with the new Holy Muron received from Armenia, following the Divine Liturgy.</p> <p>“Early Recordings of Armenian Classics” presented by musician & composer Ara Dinkjian— 12:30pm lunch, 1:30pm presentation.</p> <p>Organized by Cultural Committee</p>
NOVEMBER 10, SUNDAY	<p>SAVE THE DATE:</p> <p>ST. GREGORY AWARD LUNCHEON</p> <p>Details to follow.</p>
DECEMBER 4, WEDNESDAY	<p>St. Gregory Women's Guild Christmas Luncheon at the Bronxville Field Club. Details will follow.</p>