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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 8, BAREKENDAN OF THE FAST OF EXALTATION
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FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF ST. MARY

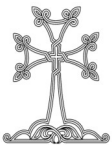
TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

2 Corinthians 7:4-16

Mark 7:31-37

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FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

The birth of St. Mary is celebrated by all traditional churches on September 8. Mary's birth is not recorded in the Gospel, but in all likelihood, she was born in Bethlehem or Nazareth, some 20 years before Christ's nativity.

Her parents, Joachim and Anna, were a devout couple whose earnest prayers for a child were answered with the birth of a daughter.

Although Mary was born naturally, she is considered morally pure and immaculate. It is for this reason that the church celebrates not only her birth, but also her conception, which the Armenian and the Greek Orthodox churches observe on December 9, and the Roman Catholic Church celebrates on December 8.

The concept of Mary's moral purity later developed into the question of her Immaculate Conception (from Anna), a doctrine adopted by the Roman Catholic Church in 1854. The Armenian Church, however, does not accept this, as only Christ was immaculately conceived.

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Ս. Աստվածածնի ծնունդը նկարագրված չէ Աստվածաշունչ մատյանում, այն մեզ փոխանցվել է Եկեղեցու Սրբազան ավանդությամբ: Կույսի ծնողները՝ Հովակիմն ու Աննան երկար ժամանակ երեխա չէին ունենում, քանի որ վերջինս ամուլ էր: Եվ մի օր, երբ Աննան իջնում է պարտեզ աղոթելու, հանկարծ հայտնվում է Տիրոջ հրեշտակը և ավետում, որ զավակ է ունենալու, ում երանի են տալու բոլոր ազգերը: Աննան գոհություն է հայտնում Աստծուն, որ լսեց իր անդադրում աղոթքների ձայնն ու խղճաց իրեն: Նա խոստանում է իր զավակին Աստծուն նվիրել: Նույն այս տեսիլքը երևում է նաև Հովակիմին՝ հայտնելով բարի լուրը: Ս. Կույսի հայրը նույնպես փառք է տալիս Բարձրյալին այդ մեծ շնորհին արժանանալու համար և իր ընտիր արջառներից ու ոչխարներից մատաղ է անում՝ բաժանելով աղքատներին: Աննան հղիանում է, ունենում մի աղջիկ, որին անվանում են Մարիամ, այսինքն՝ լուսավորյալ: Նա էր այն ընտրյալը երկրի վրա, ում Աստված իր առաքինությունների ու արժանիքների շնորհիվ պատվեց լինելու Աստծու մայրը: Նա տառապեց իր Որդու համար, սակայն երբեք չերկնչեց ու չընդդիմացավ Աստծուն՝ քաջ գիտակցելով Բարձրյալից իրեն վստահված առաքելության կարևորությունը: Նա առաքինի, հավատավոր մոր, ընտանեկան սրբության պահապանի մարմնացումն է:

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The first reading is from Second Letter of Paul to Corinthians 7:4-16

I often boast about you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with consolation; I am overjoyed in all our affliction. For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted in every way—disputes without and fears within. But God, who consoles the downcast, consoled us by the arrival of Titus, and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was consoled about you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it (though I did regret it, for I see that I grieved you with that letter, though only briefly). Now I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because your grief led to repentance; for you felt a godly grief, so that you were not harmed in any way by us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death. For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves guiltless in the matter. So although I wrote to you, it was not on account of the one who did the wrong, nor on account of the one who was wronged, but in order that your zeal for us might be made known to you before God. In this we find comfort.

The second reading is from the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Mark 7:31-37

Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "Ephphatha!" (which means "Be opened!"). At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."



YOU ARE INVITED TO
ST. GREGORY'S
ANNUAL ARMENIAN


Picnic

Come join us for delicious traditional
Armenian food and wine.

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Fellowship Coffee Hour

We appreciate the generosity of the Parish Council members for providing the 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

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.

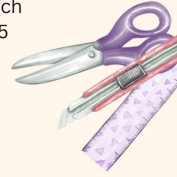
Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue
White Plains, NY 10601

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
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Sunday School Registration

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

Any questions?

**Lauren
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Sunday

September 22

10:30-12:15

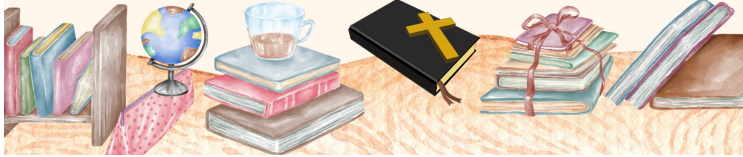
Ages 3-16

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St. Gregory the Enlightener Armenian Church

WOMEN'S GUILD

Aida's Book Club

Invites you to a

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THE FROZEN RIVER

BY ARIEL LAWHON



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SCHOOL REOPENING - ՎԵՐԱՄՈՒՏ

REGISTRATION, MEET YOUR TEACHER
BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC

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



WE WELCOME
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- ❖ WRITING
- ❖ CONVERSATION
- ❖ HISTORY
- ❖ MUSIC
- ❖ DANCE
- ❖ RELIGION
- ❖ CULTURE/ TRADITION



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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>