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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.

JULY 19, 2026
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRANSFIGURATION
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

1 Corinthians 1:25-30

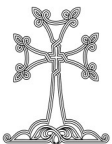
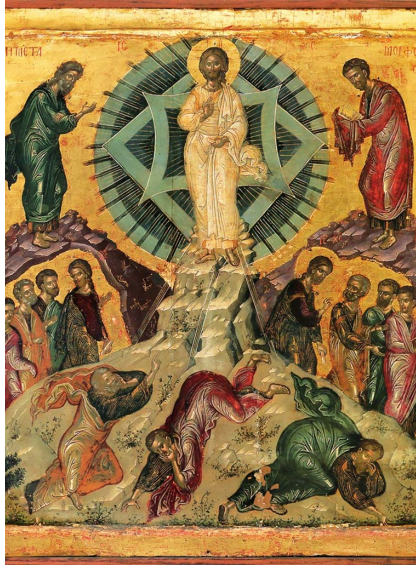
Matthew 18:10-14

PC MEMBERS ON DUTY:

Jennifer Gurahian

George Krikorian

Gary Oztemel



REQUIEM SERVICE WILL BE HELD TODAY
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Commemoration of the Apostle Thaddeus and the Virgin Sandoukht

St. Thaddeus the Apostle and St. Sandoukht the Virgin are two of the most venerated saints in the Armenian Church, as the “Great Conversion” of the Armenian nation to Christianity is significantly connected with their names. Following the Ascension of Christ, according to the Lord’s message: “Go then to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples...”, Thaddeus departs for Edessa. There he preaches the Gospel, and among his numerous miracles, also heals the king of Osrhoene named Abgar. In the year 44 A.D., Thaddeus travels on to Armenia and enters the domain of the pagan King Sanatrouk. After preaching in various parts of Armenia, St. Thaddeus converts many to Christianity, who become the foundation for the Armenian Church. The Apostle Thaddeus, while in the region of Artaz, gains access to the royal palace and converts Princess Sandoukht, the daughter of the king, to Christianity. The Armenian King Sanatrouk becomes aware of his daughter’s conversion and exhorts her to return to her native heathen religion, but his efforts are in vain. The enraged king imprisons both the Virgin Sandoukht and St. Thaddeus and subjects them to severe torments. Another effort is made to persuade the Virgin to give up Christianity by the governor of the royal palace, an Armenian prince. This effort only ends with the prince becoming a Christian as well. The king, able to bear no more, finally orders the death of the Apostle Thaddeus and his own daughter, Sandoukht. They are martyred together in Shavarshan, the summer residence of the royal family .

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Ս. Թադեոս առաքյալը և Ս. Սանդուխտ կույսը Հայ Եկեղեցու ամենանշանավոր տոնելի սրբերից են, քանի որ նրանց անվան հետ է առնչվում հայոց լուսավորության պատմությունը: Քրիստոսի Համբարձումից հետո, համաձայն Տիրոջ պատգամի՝ «Գնացե՛ք, ուրեմն աշակերտ դարձրե՛ք բոլոր ազգերին, նրանց մկրտեցե՛ք Հոր և Որդու և Սուրբ Հոգու անունով», Թադեոսը նախ գալիս է Եդեսիա, ավետարանում կենաց խոսքը, ի թիվս բազում հրաշքների բժշկում նաև Աբգար թագավորին, ապա՝ իրեն փոխարինող նշանակելով Եդեսիայում, գնում է Հայոց Սանատրուկ արքայի տիրույթները: Այստեղ զանազան վայրեր քարոզելուց հետո բազմաթիվ հեթանոսների է քրիստոնեական հավատի բերում և հիմնադրում Հայ Առաքելական Սուրբ Եկեղեցին:

Գալով Արտազ գավառ, առաքյալը մտնում է հայոց արքունիք և դարձի բերում արքայադուստր Սանդուխտ կույսին: Իրազեկ

դառնալով այս ամենին, Սանատրուկ հայոց արքան սկզբում հորդորում է դստերը ետ դառնալ նախկին հավատին, սակայն՝ ապարդյուն: Զայրացած արքան թե՛ Թադեոս առաքյալին, թե՛ Սանդուխտ կույսին նետում է բանտ և դաժան տանջանքների:

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The reading is from the First Epistle of Corinthians 1:25-30

For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For consider your call, brethren; not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth; but God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise, God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong, God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

The second reading is from the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:10-14

“See that you do not despise one of these little ones; for I tell you that in heaven their angels always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety nine on the hills and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.”



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.

PLEASE SANITIZE YOUR HAND(S) BEFORE RETURNING TO YOUR SEAT FROM THE RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE OF THE CHANCEL.

RECITING THE NICENE CREED IN ENGLISH

The **Nicene Creed** is one of the most important parts of our Divine Liturgy. In it, we proclaim the core of our Christian faith—our beliefs, our theology, and the truths handed down to us from the early Church. By reciting the Creed, we unite our voices with generations of faithful who have confessed these same teachings throughout the centuries.

To deepen our understanding and strengthen our communal prayer, we will begin **reciting the Nicene Creed in English every other Sunday** during the Divine Liturgy. This will allow all parishioners to fully participate, reflect more deeply on the meaning of the words, and grow together in the faith we profess.

July	19 - Armenian
	26 - English
August	2 - Armenian
	9 - English
	16 - Armenian

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”.

All-American BBQ

SUNDAY, July 19th, 2026

12:30 pm

St. Gregory Women's Guild Annual Fundraiser

St. Gregory the Enlightener Armenian Church
1131 North Street
White Plains, NY 10605



\$25.pp (\$15. Children ages 5-12, Children under 5 FREE)

All American BBQ Favorites

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

*** ICE CREAM SUNDAE BAR ***

Invite your Friends & Family to join us* Everyone WELCOME!

RSVP via cell/text: **SYLVIA KRUIZENGA (203)536-1241**
Please include NAME & number of adults/children in reservation

We appreciate your Reservations before July 13th



All-American BBQ FAMILY FUNDRAISER

proceeds to benefit the St. Gregory Women's Guild in support of local & Armenian charitable organizations

Reservation Name: _____ Phone Contact: (____) _____

Number Attending: _____ @ \$25. per person \$ _____
Number of Children ages 5-12 years old _____ @ \$15. per child \$ _____
"Under 5 years old FREE" _____ "FREE" \$ _____

Optional Donation to St.Gregory Women's Guild \$ _____

Check # _____ Total: \$ _____

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

Not able to attend, but want to support the St. Gregory Women's Guild

Check # _____

MEMO: Donation

☐\$25 ☐\$50 ☐\$100 ☐\$150 ☐\$200 ☐\$250 ☐\$500 ☐\$1,000 ☐Other \$ _____





SAVE THE DATE:
ST. GREGORY'S ANNUAL ARMENIAN
Picnic

Come join us for delicious traditional Armenian food and wine.



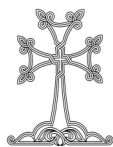
20 SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER
12PM - 5PM

Save
The Date



Primate's Visit
Deacons' and Acolytes' Ordination
November 1, 2026



REQUIEM SERVICE WILL BE OFFERED TODAY

**Harutyune Der Avakian; Amalia & Soorik Der Avakian;
Avedis Zakarian; Arshalous Zakarian; Nora Zakarian;
Khajak Zakarian; Mesrop Zakarian; Terez Kooshakjian; Jack
Kooshakjian; Paul Mouradian; Rosik Zakarian; Konstantine
Kerathanasis; Maria Kerathanasis; Benjamin Bough.**

*Requested by: Hoosik & Yevgeen Der Avagian;
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.***

Come Join Our Team of Cooks and Bakers!

Help prepare for our Annual Armenian Picnic!

Meeting in the Kitchen at 10:00 am on the following days:

Tuesday 8/18

Saturday 8/22 Choeregs

Thursday 8/27 Simit

Wednesday 9/2 Boeregs

Friday 9/4 Date cookies

Tuesday 9/8 Nazook and Tahini Bread

Saturday 9/12 Baklava & Gata

Monday 9/14

Tuesday 9/15 Yalangi

Wednesday 9/16 Khadayef & Brownies.

Thursday 9/17 Hummus and Prep Pilaf

Friday 9/18 Mezze platters and Eech prep

Saturday 9/19 Luleh & Eech

SUNDAY. 9/20. PICNIC DAY.

No Experience Necessary - All Are Welcome!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Today	Morning Service & Divine Liturgy. Second Sunday after the Transfiguration of our Lord Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan celebrates the Divine Liturgy. All American BBQ We also welcome today St. Nersess High School Conference participants, their counselors, and director Rev. Fr. Ghevond Ajamian.
AUGUST 2, SUNDAY	Guest celebrant: Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by Rev. Fr. Ghevond Ajamian. St. Nersess High School Conference participants will join him.
AUGUST 9, SUNDAY	Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by a Guest celebrant.
AUGUST 16, SUNDAY	Feast of the Assumption of St. Mary Blessing of Grapes service.
SEPTEMBER 20, SUNDAY	SAVE THE DATE! Annual Armenian Picnic:
SEPTEMBER 27, SUNDAY	Citizens Preparedness Corps Event will be presented by New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) following the Liturgy. Details to follow.
OCTOBER 18, SUNDAY	SAVE THE DATE: A Taste of Armenian Heritage: An Interactive Cooking Event with Cookbook Author and Historian, Prof. Mari Firakatian. Presented by the Cultural Committee and Women's Guild.
NOVEMBER 1, SUNDAY	Visit of His Grace Bishop Mesrop Parsamyan, Primate of the Eastern Diocese Details to follow.