

PRAYER REQUESTS - One of our most fundamental Christian responsibilities is to pray. There is truly great power in prayer. During this Divine Liturgy and throughout this next week your prayers are requested for: Annie Berard, Susie Arslanian, Lisa Omartian, John Trumbull, Kent Woodard, Sally Jermakian, Susan DerMargosian, Lisa Herrick, Mary Jane Collins, Kim Noel, Darlene McKenna, Dr. David Manning, Jr., Mary Aljalian, Mark Jozokos, Joan & Armand Bazegian, Laura Wormel, Kate Heck, Laura Hynds, Laora Grigoryan, Rebecca Meek, Michael O'Connor, Sara Omartian, Gary Tumasyan, James Dertad Omartian, Anita Assarian, Zhirayr Khachigian, Debbie Manning and all those in need of our prayers.

Please notify Der Sevak whenever you know of anyone who is sick or in need of a visit, whether at home or in the hospital.

DUES REMINDER - All membership dues for 2017 must be paid in full by December 31, 2017 in order to be eligible to run for office and vote at the annual parish assembly. The minimum dues of \$6 per person per week is required to be considered a "voting member". If you haven't already, please plan to pay your dues before the end of the year. If you have any membership questions, please contact Harry Demirjian.

Calendar of Events

Every Tuesday - Armenian Class 7pm
Every Other Thursday – Bible Study 7pm
December 10, Sunday - St Mark Book Discussion
December 17, Sunday – Christmas Concert 3pm
February 4, Sunday – Annual Parish Assembly - noon



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“LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU”



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Welcome to St. Mark Armenian Church

Sunday Bulletin

December 3, 2017

Church Services at 10am

Sunday School 10am

Parish Council Greeters:

Sue Elmasian and Sarkis Kalashian

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Talene Jermakian and ACYOA

SCRIPTURE READING

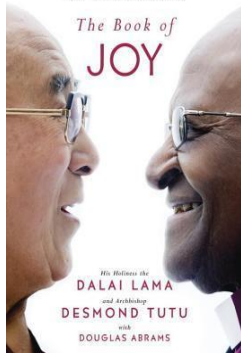
Luke 3:1-9

Repent or Perish

13 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ² Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? ³ I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. ⁴ Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵ I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish."

⁶ Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. ⁷ So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?'"


⁸ "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹ If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"



NEXT SUNDAY! **ST MARK BOOK** **DISCUSSION**

*Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy.
Psalm 98:8*

Grab a copy of *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World* by the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu, and Douglas Abrams from your local library or bookstore, **read the entire book and then join us for a book discussion on Sunday, December 10th, during coffee hour.**



St. Mark Armenian Church
8th Annual
Christmas Spectacular
Sunday, December 17, 2017

3 p.m. Concert
Reception to follow
Appetizers & Cash Bar

Featuring
The September Girls
&
David Jermakian on Sax

Adults \$15
Students \$10
12 & under \$5

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